

Board of Assessors
Minutes of Meeting
March 25, 2019

6:00 p.m.: Meeting came to order with Raymond Goff, Chairman; Thomas Barry, Vice Chairman; and John Whelihan, Director of Assessments present. Donald Minney, Clerk; was absent by notification.

Documents used: supporting documentation concerning the small personal property exemption and the Clause 41C elderly tax exemption.

Signatures:

- Schedule of Bills Payable: \$321.15
- Warrant & Tax Commitment; 2019 MVE \$212,367.76
- Warrant & Commitment; 2018 MVE \$56.25
- Warrant & Commitment; 2019 MVE \$316.25
- Monthly List of Exemptions; FY19 RE \$3,425.63
- Monthly List of Abatements; FY19 RE \$2,116.79
- Monthly List of Abatements; 2019 MVE \$3,516.77
- Monthly List of Abatements; 2019 MVE \$128.33
- Monthly List of Abatements; 2019 MVE \$4,571.89
- Revised Ch 61B Lien 195 Railroad St (281-42)

Old Business:

- Mr. Whelihan sent Steve Rose, of 54 Hickory Hills, a letter containing the assessed values in his neighborhood. The valuation increase of 5% is consistent with what comparable neighborhoods experienced in fiscal year 2019.
- The MIS Department is assisting Patriot Properties in updating the property record cards available on-line.
- The office staff is working on calculating “new growth” for fiscal year 2020.
- The Board reviewed supporting documentation regarding motions to be made at the upcoming annual town meeting.

New Business:

- The Board allowed Mr. Whelihan to attend an upcoming Division of Local Services (DLS) workshop in Shrewsbury and the Hampden/Hampshire Counties Assessors Association (HHCAA) Spring Seminar in May.
- Mr. Barry stated that the Department of Public Works (DPW) has the ability to perform routine maintenance and repairs on the assessor’s vehicle.

Discussion/Decision:

- Mr. Barry made the motion to accept the regular session and executive session minutes of March 12, 2019. Mr. Goff seconded. The motion passed 2-0.
- The Board discussed various tax exempt properties that returned their FY20 3ABC Forms. Discussion arose over the general requirements organizations must meet in order to qualify for a charitable exemption.
- The next Board meetings will be held on April 16 and April 30.

6:50 p.m. Mr. Goff made the motion to adjourn the Regular Session meeting and move into Executive Session to discuss FY19 exemption applications under Purpose 7 of MGL Ch 30A, s. 21(a) to comply with or act under the authority of MGL Ch 59, s. 60 with respect to confidentiality, and not reconvene in Regular Session. Mr. Barry seconded the motion.

Goff	Yes
Barry	Yes

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Barry,
Vice Chairman

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6:40 p.m.: Meeting came to order with Raymond Goff, Chairman; Thomas Barry, Vice Chairman; and John Whelihan, Director of Assessments present. Donald Minney, Clerk; was absent by notification.

The Board voted to approve the following FY19 Exemption applications. All votes were unanimous at 2-0.

NAME	PROPERTY ADDRESS	PARCEL ID	EXEMPTION
Bechthold, Judilyn	25 Meadow Pond Road	245-56.06	Cl. 22
Hresko, Thomas	11 Laurel Ridge Drive	254-19	Cl. 22
Labrie, Joseph	104 North Liberty Street	268-60	Cl. 22
Sheffield, Ashley	46 Allen Street	232-57	Cl. 22
White, Gary	7 Waterford Drive	225-55	Cl. 22
Folliard, Mary	26 Sheffield Drive	232-12.6	Cl. 22D

7:05 p.m.: Motion to adjourn

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Barry
Vice Chairman