

Tuesday February 23, 2022

Present via Zoom remote meeting: Principal Assessor Randy Austin, Chair Peter Davies, Scott Rebmann, Martha Smith, Christine Zdonek Administrative Assessor, and City Council President Homar Gomez attended remotely.

Peter Davies called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm.

A motion was made by Martha Smith to accept the minutes for the February 23, 2022 meeting and was seconded Scott Rebmann. Motion passed 3-0.

Bi-Monthly and Other Reports: The Board reviewed and signed the following reports:

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE FEBRUARY 8, 2022 MEETING

MV ABATEMENTS END OF MONTH

2020	\$280.32
2021	\$145.45
2022	\$2,116.91

FY2020 REAL ESTATE ABATEMENTS END OF MONTH

Real Estate	\$4,440.00
CPA	\$133.20

FY2022 REAL ESTATE EXEMPTIONS END OF MONTH

Real Estate	\$4,400.00
CPA	\$132.00

DISCUSS & COMPLETE EXECUTIVE SESSION FORM TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR RE & PP ABATEMENTS

The Board voted 3-0 on a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss information specific to an Abatement Application or pending Appellate Tax Board hearing for any Residential, Commercial, Industrial or Mixed Use property, or Business Personal Property.

FY 2022 Abatement Recommendations

157 Hendrick St Abt Ap #3 –

Single Family Home-Felt land value was incorrect and should be \$95,300. Randy Austin did research showing values appear to be uniform. Randy called and spoke to Nancy and emailed the spreadsheet to explain. Showed her how things work and how things were uniform except for a few exceptions. Randy explained that I would look at thing to see if there was a reason for the difference, and that it may lead to an increase for the exceptions and not necessarily a decrease for her. Abatement-Denied

BLI Rentals Inc – Abt Ap #4 Personal Property Acct.

This is a Personal Property for an account that closed on September of 2020 and the account should have been deleted. Recommendation – Abatement-Granted

180 Main St Abt Ap #14

This was formerly a Mixed Use property with an Antique shop that was part of the house. The new owner is using it solely as a single family home. They received a fee for non-return of the I&E information. - Recommendation – Abatement for removal of fee-Granted

69 Ferry St Full Tilt Auto Body Abt Ap #11

This business moved to Hatfield after the fire in May of 2020. Account should have been deleted for FY 2022. Recommendation – Abatement of full bill amount-Granted

Various Locations Abt Ap #10

This is for Eversource Gas. They are opposing the new value methodology. It is not only here, but in many cities and towns in the Commonwealth. Abatement- Denied

Various Locations Abt Ap #9

This is for NSTAR Electric. They are opposing the new value methodology. It is not only here, but in many cities and towns in the Commonwealth. Abatement- Denied

Various Locations Sprint Spectrum Abt Ap #13

A Final Form of List was submitted last year but the account was not deleted. Abatement-Granted

RETURN TO MEETING

Martha Smith made a motion to accept all of the MV Abatements, RE Abatements end of month, RE Abatements and Denial, and the RE Exemptions end of month. Scott Rebmann seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Scott Rebmann made a motion to adjourn at 5:35 and it passed 3-0.

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