

Fairhaven Board of Assessors

40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719

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June 27, 2012

The Fairhaven Board of Assessors held a publicly posted meeting at 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA on Tuesday, June 26, 2012.

Ronald J. Manzone, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM announcing minutes were being taken by Jane Bettencourt.

In attendance were Ronald Manzone, Pamela Davis and Jane Bettencourt. Ellis Withington was unable to attend the meeting.

Pam Davis motioned to table approval of the April open session and executive session minutes and to table approval of the May open session minutes due to lack of quorum. Ronald Manzone seconded the motion. A unanimous vote was heard.

Ellis Withington inspected Earl's Marina on June 14, 2012 and his report and proposed FY12 valuation was ready for review by members. Members agreed with the proposed valuation and thanked Ellis for all his hard work. The FY12 abatement application was signed for re-consideration of previous denial.

Members signed all three copies of contract for FY13, FY14 and FY15 with Patriot Properties Inc for valuation adjustments within scope of agreement. Members instructed Jane to mail one copy back to Patriot Properties, give one copy to Fairhaven's Town Accountant and keep one copy in file.

Members signed Gateway exemption reimbursement reports.

FY13 Preliminary Warrants for real estate, personal property and CPA were signed. Jane was instructed to deliver the original warrants to Fairhaven's Tax Collector, copies to Town Accountant and keep one copy on file.

Assessors reviewed the DOR Assessors Qualification Report and instructed Jane to have Fairhaven's Town Clerk sign and then fax to DOR.

Members reviewed proposed FY12 Equalized Valuations from DOR.

Members reviewed record card of undevelopable land located on Nakata Avenue (M43 L 245). Members instructed Jane to contact taxpayer and inform if an appeal is sought for FY13, a botanist will need to delineate the wetland and have Fairhaven's Conservation Commission approve the line for submission with abatement application.

Members reviewed the rough draft of roll back taxes requested by the Winterbottom family on Charity Stevens Lane. Pam Davis answered Jane's question regarding 5% interest calculation. Pam believes interest should be included. If taxpayers wish to appeal Chapter 59 values listed, a purchase and sale agreement must accompany the appeal.

Month End Reports for abatements processed were approved and signed.

Bill payable for Jane's mileage totaling \$118.24 was approved and signed.

Other Business: Jane showed the members the memo to Selectmen regarding taxes and valuation for the American Legion Post located on Main Street.

At 7:15 PM, Pam Davis motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ron Manzone. A unanimous vote was heard.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on July 24, 2012 at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane E. Bettencourt
Administrative Assistant
BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Minutes approved on July 24, 2012 by: _____
