

Fairhaven Board of Assessors

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**August 25, 2017
Meeting Minutes**

FAIRHAVEN,
MASS.

PRESENT

Meeting attendance were the following: Board of Assessor Pamela Davis and Board of Assessor Ellis Withington and Assistant Assessor Del Garcia, Secretary, Ronald Manzone, Chairman excused absence.

CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER

Ellis Withington, motioned the meeting to order in the Assessor's Department at 3:30 PM and 2nd it by Pamela Davis; announcing minutes were being taken by Del Garcia, Secretary.

MINUTES

The minutes of minutes of June 9th, 2017 were read by the Pamela Davis and motion made by the Ellis Withington to sign said minutes and seconded the motion. No discussion, so moved to sign the minutes. Vote to approve was unanimous. (2-0)

EXECUTIVE MINUTES

The Executive minutes of June 9th, 2017 were read by the Pamela Davis and motion made by the Ellis Withington to sign said minutes and seconded the motion. No discussion, so moved to sign the minutes. Vote to approve was unanimous. (2-0)

BILLS PAYABLE

Review of the following invoices and were signed by the Board of Assessors:

Mileage voucher for Del:	\$ 484.83
Melody Perry: Attended FY17 MAAO School, Amherst, MA; lodging, mileage, meals	\$579.73
Staples:	\$260.84
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MAAO – Dues	\$ 150.00

UMASS –Course 101: Melody Perry	\$ 499.55
Bristol County Print Shop	\$ 66.00
CAI Technologies/Geospatial	\$1500.00
MLS – To Del Garcia	\$ 87.00

MONTH END REPORTS

The Board of Assessors reviewed, discussed and signed the month end reports on the following motor vehicle excise and boat abatement:

MVX Abatements:

- Batch - June #4 - \$1,223.71
- July #1 -\$1716.34
- July #2 -\$216.98
- July #3-\$1799.04
- August #1 -\$2014.89
- August #2-\$2749.57

RE Abatements: None

Boat Abatements:

- Batch – August 23, 2017 - \$262.00

WARRANTS

No warrants to be signed

EXEMPTIONS

There are exemptions to be reviewed by the Board of Assessors in Executive Session.

CHAPTER LAND

No Chapter land presented for the board to review

FY17 ABATEMENTS FILED:

All abatements have been reviewed by the Board of Assessors in Executive Session. Abatement process is closed as of February 1, 2017.

APPELLATE TAX BOARD CASES

Board of Assessors reviewed ATB logbook for which at this time we have 24 open cases on the docket as follows:

- 15 cases were continued to October
- 1 new case came in
- 2 ATB cases were settled
- 6 cases are scheduled for August were continue to October

Review Emailed Letter from Mark Murphy Law Offices, LLC with continued 3 continued hearings from August 10, 2017 to October 26, 2017.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
Pursuant to MGL Ch. 30A ss 21

Review the following in Executive Session: Abatements; Appellate Tax Board cases; Exemptions and other business. The Board of Assessors is to review the following in Executive Session of 2 veteran exemptions for reconsideration. And a letter from the Commonwealth of MA Executive Office of Labor dated August 2017

Pamela Davis made a motion to entering into Executive Session and Mr. Ellington seconded the motion. So moved and vote to approve was unanimous to enter into Executive Session (2-0).

Time entered into executive session: 3:45 PM

At 4:15 PM, Pamela Davis motioned to leave Executive Session and return to Open Session. Ellis Withington seconded the motion. So moved and vote to approve was unanimous. (2-0)

At 4:16 PM reconvened at open session.

NEW BUSINESS

Memorandum from Town Accountant dated June 23, 2017 requesting all boards to provide an updated letter stating who is designated to approve bills/invoices, payrolls, and any other transactions for each department and to consider a designate alternate.

Letter from Scott Snow on behalf of Glenn C. Harris pertaining to 3 Sedgewick Road dated august 21, 2017.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The following reports were read and signed by the Board of Assessors:

LA-13A Amended Tax Base Levy Growth to the DOR

Form MDM-1 – to the DOR

2018 Preliminary Assessors Warrant to Collector for the 1st & 2nd quarter preliminaries

Also reviewed AT&T Corp & TC Systems have filed litigation against the Commonwealth for all utilities doing business in each city and town for personal properties from the law firm of Sullivan & Worcester – Formal procedure filed with ATB on or about July 11, 2017.

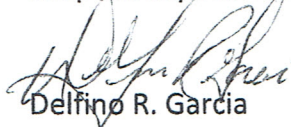
NEXT MEETING

The Board of Assessors checked their work calendars and agreed that our next regularly scheduled meeting will be on October 22, 2017 at 3:30 PM

ADJOURN

Pamela Davis motioned to adjourn the Board of Assessors meeting. Mr. Ellington seconded. Vote to approve was unanimous. (2-0). Meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM.

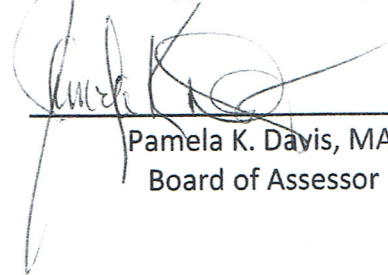
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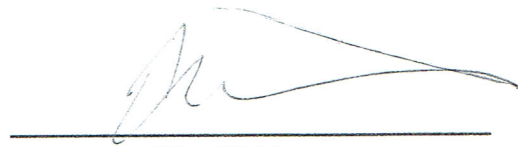
Delfino R. Garcia
Assistant Assessor

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

(Minutes approved on September 22nd, 2017)



Pamela K. Davis, MAA
Board of Assessor



Ellis Withington
Board of Assessor