

Meeting of December 21, 2016

Present: Bruce Firger

John Katz

Christopher Lamarre, Principal Assessor

1. Meeting called to order by Bruce Firger at 10:10 a.m.
2. Prior Meeting Minutes: None
3. Old Business:
Mayflower Valuation is continuing to measure & list properties for the mandated cyclical inspection. All property record cards requiring adjustments have been reviewed by the Principal Assessor and entered onto the CAMA system.
4. New Business:
 - a. In the long standing matter of the SJC/ATB case of Verizon New England v. Commissioner of Revenue and Various Cities & Towns, there appears to be a settlement in the offing. Great Barrington would be required to abate a certain value for FY 2010 & 2011 only. The abated total would be around \$10,300 and would not be subject to interest.
 - b. Recently, there was a house fire at 26 Dresser Avenue that completely destroyed the home. The Assessor's office will reach out to the owners to guide them on the steps to be taken to receive an abatement on the value of the building.
 - c. Chairman signed a Chapter 61 renewal plan.

With no further business, a motion at 10:20 a.m. by Chris Lamarre, seconded by Bruce Firger, to close regular meeting and enter into Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing abatement and exemption applications.

Firger – Yes, Katz – Yes, Lamarre – Yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Strommer