



**BOARD OF ASSESSORS
TOWN OF HALIFAX
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MINUTES

MEETING OF FEBRUARY 25, 2014, 3:00 PM

ATTENDANCE: Meeting called to order at 3:00 PM. Tom Millias, John Shiavone, SuzanDuggan and Karen Trudeau present.

1. APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETING OF JANUARY 24, 2014

Motion by Tom Millias, Second John Shiavone, to approve minutes of January 24th as read.

Vote unanimous.

2 WELCOME NEW PRINCIPAL ASSESSOR/APPRaiser KAREN TRUDEAU

Done

3. TAKE ACTION ON FY 14 REAL & PERSONAL PROPERTY ABATEMENT APPLICATIONS

Board discussed Clause 18 Hardship application. No action taken.

4. SET FY2015 PENALTY AMOUNTS FOR FAILURE TO FILE THE INCOME & EXPENSE RETURN FOR CLASSES ONE, TWO & THREE

Motion by Tom Millias, Second John Shiavone to assess a \$250 fine for failure to comply with Chapter 38D return of Income & Expense for businesses in town.

5 DISCUSS OVERLAY SURPLUS & FY 14 ASSESSORS' BUDGET SHORTFALL

Board was advised by Sue Duggan that overlay surplus this year will be \$150,000. Also, there will be a budget shortfall of approximately \$1,500.00 related to the overlapping of the new Principal Assessor/Appraiser, Karen Trudeau and Suzan Duggan for training purposes.

6. MEET WITH BOS AT 8:15 PM TO VOTE ON APPOINTMENT TO FILL VACANCY ON BOARD OF ASSESSORS. APPOINTMENT WILL BE EFFECTIVE UNTIL MAY 17, 2014 ELECTION.

Board convened meeting at 4:00 pm & will reconvene at 8:15 PM to meet with the BOS to recommend the appointment of Holly Merry to fill the open position on the BOA until the May election.

At 8:15 the Board reconvened for the appointment of Holly Merry. The BOS voted to appoint Holly Merry to the BOA for the term to expire on May 17, 2014.

7. TAKE ANY OTHER ACTION NOT ANTICIPATED BY THE BOARD 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THE MEETING. None