

**TOWN OF NEWBURY**  
**Board of Assessors**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**April 1**

**March 6, 2012**

The meeting was opened at 6:00 p.m.

Present: P. Murphy, S. Wechsler, C. Keville and G. Thompson  
Chairman: not present

Old Business:

Supplemental Billing – tabled to a future meeting

Normal Business:

- Minutes – The minutes for the February 28, 2012 meeting were read and accepted.
- Monthly Manager’s Meeting update - Next meeting expected March 21, 2012
- RE & PP Abatements – The following abatements were acted on:
  - #8 – 24 Hanover St. – the proposal was accepted. Sandy made a motion to grant the abatement. Peter seconded.
  - #1 – 4 – 6, 6A, 6B, 6C Northern Blvd. – Peter motioned to send a proposal to the residences that included the 15% reduction from the decisions for the Appellate Tax Board 2010 cases. Sandy seconded. Sandy motioned to deny the vacant parcel know as 6 Northern Blvd. Peter seconded the motion.
- Overlay – Ginny submitted a spreadsheet showing the current status of the overlay accounts. Tracy, Town Administrator sent a memo requesting release of overlay totaling \$165,526.51. Tracy joined the meeting @ 6:15 p.m. and explained that she had spoken with the Department of Revenue as well as Dick Kingston, Auditor about releasing the surplus overlay. Ginny asked, “Do the amounts include the Appellate Tax Board cases?” and Tracy answered, “No, the amounts were net”. In the future if a deficit occurs it would have to be raised on the recap. sheet. Ginny was asked to verify the figures. She notified the administrator that she can only verify figures from 1998 to current. The account’s figures would have to suffice for anything older.
- Office work - The conflict of interest sign-offs were submitted to the clerk’s office.
- Mail – A Merrimac Valley Planning assessment to Newbury was received. A brochure summarizing recent Appellate Tax Board cases was reviewed. The most recent City and Town was offered for reading.

At 6:25 p.m. Peter motioned to adjourn the meeting. Sandy seconded. The meeting adjourned.

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Sanford Wechsler

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E. Peter Murphy