

Board of Assessment Appeals Minutes

The Board of Assessment Appeals held a public meeting on September 12, 2016 in the Health Department Conference Room at The Municipal Center, 3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT. Chairman Brown called the meeting to order at 6:04PM

Present: Marianne Brown (Chairman) and Maureen Crick-Owen

Also Present: Andrea Santillo (Clerk)

Public Participation: None

Approval of Minutes: Marianne makes a motion to table approval of minutes until there is more time. (2nd) Maureen

James McFarland joins the meeting at 6:29PM

Unfinished Business: Motion to table and address Standard Operating Procedures until next meeting. (M) Maureen (2nd) Marianne

New Business:

Discussion and possible action on the following:

Motor Vehicle Assessment Appeal Hearings:

Catherine Quatrano: NO Show

Veronica Day: Ms. Day has a 2014 VW Jetta TDI, which she states is valued approx. \$6000 less because of the emission scandal. Assessor's Office has vehicle valued at \$13,630.

Allen Adriani: Mr. Adriani has a 2010 VW Jetta TDI. VW offering \$8100 in buy back due to Emission Scandal. Assessor's Office has vehicle assessed at \$7950.

Shawn Kasak: Mr. Kasak has a 2015 Harley Davidson FLTRUSE. He brought in a letter from Empire Harley Davidson stating the bike is valued between 24000 and 25100 based on high mileage of approx. 15,000 miles. Assessor's Office has assessment at \$27,040 based on NADA. Mr. Kasak feels this value is too high.

Shawn Kasak has a 2002 Harley Davidson FSXTDI. NADA assessment is \$5420. Mr. Kasak feels this is too high based on high miles and has brought in a letter from Empire Harley Davidson stating it is worth, at the very most \$4400. MC has approx. 38,000 miles.

Shawn Kasak has a 2006 Toyota Tacoma pickup truck. Stated tax amount is higher than last years. Nada has value at \$9350. Mr. Kasak thinks this is too high based on high miles (approx. 207,000), dents, rust and no tailgate.

Shawn Kasak has a 1987 Braco Trailer. The Assessor's Office valued the trailer at \$2730, based on the limited information they had. Mr. Kasak showed a Craigslist ad with the same trailer for \$500.

Melinda Cash has a 2008 Honda Odyssey with approx. 100,000 miles. She states doors are dented, vehicle dented/scratched. Has leather seats and DVD, no navigation.

Corinna Matijevic has a 2000 Ferarri lease. Has a Carfax stating vehicle has been junked due to flood.

Peter DeCrescenzo has a 2001 Dodge Grand Caravan. Nada has value at \$ 2120. Mr. stated vehicle has bad transmission and can't go over 40mph.

Daniel Hall for Roger Metz – Mr. Metz has a 2010 Audi R8 Quattro. NADA (collectible) has the value at 92,260. Mr. Metz feels this is too high based on vehicle not being in great condition and also having been in a fire. Mileage is approx. 55,000.

Beth & Scott Gattey: They have a 2008 Toyota Sienna valued at 7400 based on NADA. They feel this is too high based on body damage and high miles.

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Beth & Scott Gattey have a 2006 Mazda 6 with an NADA value of 3870. They feel this is too high based on high miles, fair body condition and rusted wheel wells.

Beth & Scott Gattey have a 2006 Toyota Corolla with an NADA value of 4500. They feel this is too high based on body damage and high miles.

John Reed has a 1991 Kinston Horse Trailer. Assessor's office valued it at 2800 based on internet research. Mr. Reed feels this is too high based on age and condition of trailer.

Virginia Gutbrod has a 2002 Honda Accord with an NADA value of 2910. She thinks this is too high based on the vehicle having 347,000 miles.

Robert Kupec has a 2002 Snowbird utility trailer with a value of 350. Purchased for \$599 is 2002. Mr. Kupec feels it is over valued by several hundred dollars.

After no further hearings, the deliberations began:

1. Veronica Day

Ms. Day has a 2014 VW Jetta TDI assessed at \$13,630. She feels this too high based on the "Emission Scandal".

Denied: Insufficient documentation to support claim (M) Maureen (2nd) Marianne with all in favor.

2. Allen Adriani

Mr. Adriani has a 2010 VW Jetta TDI assessed at \$7950. He feels this is too high based on the "Emission Scandal".

Denied: Insufficient documentation to support claim (M) Marianne (2nd) Maureen with all in favor.

3. Shawn Kasak

Mr. Kasak has a 2015 Harley Davidson assessed at \$27040. He feels this is too high based on high mileage.

Denied: Insufficient evidence from October 1 to support claim (M) James (2nd) Maureen with all in favor.

4. Shawn Kasak

Mr. Kasak has a 2006 Toyota Tacoma assessed at \$9350. He feels this is too high based on body damage and high miles.

Approved: Mileage deduction made using NADA guide (M) Marianne (2nd) James with all in favor.

5. Shawn Kasak

Mr. Kasak has a 2002 Harley Davidson assessed at \$5240. He feels this is too high based on high mileage.

Denied: Insufficient evidence from October 1 2015 to support claim (M) James (2nd) Marianne with all in favor.

6. Shawn Kasak

Mr. Kasak has a 1987 Braco Trailer assessed at \$2730. He feels this is too high based on the trailer being in poor condition and body damage.

Approved: 20% reduction in assessment for poor condition (M) Marianne (2nd) James with all in favor.

7. Melinda Cash

Ms. Cash has a 2008 Honda Odyssey assessed at \$8520. She feels this is too high based on body damage and high miles.

Denied: Insufficient documents to support claims (M) James (2nd) Marianne with all in favor.

8. Corinna Matijevic

Ms. Matejevic has a 2000 Ferarri 550 assessed at \$61740. She feels this assessment is too high based on flood damage and a "junk" title.

Denied: Insufficient documentation to support claim (M) Maureen (2nd) Marianne with all in favor.

9. Peter DeCrescenzo

Mr. DeCrescenzo has a 2001 Dodge Grand Caravan assessed at \$2120. He feels this is too high based on broken transmission and not being able to drive over 40mph.

Denied: Insufficient documentation to support claim (M) Maureen (2nd) James with all in favor.

10. Daniel Hall for Roger Metz

Mr. Metz has a 2010 Audi R8 Quattro assessed at \$92260. He feels this is too high based on previous body and fire damage.

Denied: Insufficient documentation to support claim (M) Maureen (2nd) James with all in favor.

11. Beth & Scott Gattey

Mr. & Mrs. Gattey have a 2008 Toyota Sienna assessed at \$7400. They think this is too high based on accident damage and high miles.

Approved: Mileage adjustment based on NADA guide (M) Maureen (2nd) James with all in favor.

12. Beth & Scott Gattey

Mr. & Mrs. Gattey have a 2010 Lexus assessed at \$15720. They feel this is too high based on high miles.

Approved: Assessment was lowered to \$11988 based on NADA guide for high mileage (M) Maureen (2nd) James with all in favor.

13. Beth & Scott Gattey

Mr. & Mrs. Gattey have a 2006 Toyota Corolla assessed at \$4500. They feel this is too high based on high miles and body damage.

Approved: Assessment was lowered to \$4323 based on NADA guide for high mileage (M) Maureen (2nd) James with all in favor.

14. Beth & Scott Gattey

Mr. & Mrs. Gattey have a 2006 Mazda 6 assessed at \$3870. They feel this is too high based on mileage and condition.

Denied: Insufficient documentation to support claim (M) James (2nd) Maureen with all in favor.

15. John Reed

Mr. Reed has a 1991 Kinston trailer assessed at \$2800. He feels this is too high based on condition and previous assessments.

Approved: Assessment reduced 20% based on condition to \$2240 (M) Marianne (2nd) Maureen with all in favor.

16. Virginia Gotbrod

Mrs. Gotbrod has a 2002 Honda Accord assessed at \$2910. She feels this is too high based on high mileage.

Approved: Assessment lowered to \$2600 using NADA guide (M) James (2nd) Maureen with all in favor.

17. Robert Kupec

Mr. Kupec has a 2002 Snowbird Utility Trailer assessed at \$350. He feels this is too high based on condition.

Approved: Assessment lowered 20%, to \$280 (M) James (2nd) Maureen with all in favor.

Approval of minutes – Maureen made a motion to approve the minutes of the following meeting dates:

April 5, 2016
April 7, 2016
April 11, 2016
April 25, 2016
April 26, 2016
April 28, 2016
April 29, 2016

A special meeting is set for September 26, 2016 @ 6:30pm to discuss 2017 calendar and standard operating procedures.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Kindly submitted by Andrea Santillo(Clerk)

THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS