BOARD OF ASSESSORS MEETING REGULAR MINUTES

November 15, 2016 @ 5:30 P.M.

- 1. Chairman Paul Buckley called The Board of Assessor's open meeting to order on Tuesday, November 15th at 5:30 P.M. in the Seekonk Board of Assessor's Office. In attendance were Paul Buckley, Chairman, Bill Barker, Clerk, Christopher Pelletier, Vice Chairman & Theodora Gabriel, Town Assessor.
- 2. Approval of Minutes October 18th, 2016:

Chris made a motion to accept the minutes of October 18th. Accepted by 3-0 vote.

- 3. <u>Sign FY'17 LA3, LA4, LA13:</u> The Board signed the FYØ17 Sales Report (LA3), Assessment Classification Report (LA4) and FYØ17 Growth Report (LA13). DOR requires hard copies to be signed.
- **4. FY'17 Classification Hearing:** The Board discussed the FYØ17 Classification Hearing spreadsheets prepared for the Board of Selectmen to determine the percentage share of the tax levy that each class of property will pay.
- **5.** <u>Review/Sign Abatement/Exemption Monthly Reports:</u> The Board reviewed and signed the Abatement & Exemption Monthly Reports.
- **6.** Conversion Status: The board discussed the status of the Conversion Assistant Mass Appraisal. The minimum of 40 towns was met to convert from the CSC CAMA system to Tyler Technologies ias World.
- 7. **COMMUNITY SPEAKS:** None at this time.
- **8.** Executive Session: Chris Pelletier made a motion to go into Executive Session at 6:05 P.M. to review the Executive minutes of October 18th, 2016 and to discuss Abatements and Exemptions pursuant to G.L.c.30a, Section 21 (a) (7) and G.L.c.59 section 60, as having this discussion in open session would be detrimental to the Boardon litigating position. To return to regular session.
 - B. Barker seconded. Accepted by 3-0 vote.

Returned to regular session at 6:36 P.M.

9. Approval/Denials of Abatements & Exemptions: The Board reviewed and voted by a 3-0 vote to approve Exemptions for:

6 for Clause 41C (Elderly) Exemptions for Map/Lots:

4/48, 25/112, 30/141, 10/201, 7/102, 17/13

1 for Clause 17D (Surviving Spouse) Exemptions for Map/Lots:

10A/134

1 for Clause 18 (Hardship) Exemptions for Map/Lots:

4/48 to be discussed at the next meeting.)

3 for Clause 22 (Veteran's) Exemptions for Map/Lots:

30/114, 38/123, 20/355

The Board reviewed and voted by a 3-0 vote to Deny Exemptions for Map/Lots:

3 for Clause 41C (Elderly Exemptions) 1/93, 24/89, 34/463

1 for Clause 18 (Financial Hardship) Exemption 10/109

OTHER BUSINESS:

Discuss other topics not reasonably anticipated by the Chairman 48 hours before the meeting:

The Verizon hearing decision came thru for FYøl 1 & FYøl 2- it is commercially taxed.

Bill asked if the letters were going to owners when their classification changes, as discussed at a prior meeting. Theo noted that yes, we are sending letters and we did this for the preliminary bills.

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, November 30th, 2016 at 6:30 P.M.

The meeting adjourned at 6:36 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted, Karen Springer, Secretary