BOARD OF ASSESSORS MEETING MINUTES

August 12, 2015 Town Hall 1 Main St., Upton, MA 01568

Chairman James Earl, Assessor Kelly McElreath, Department Coordinator, Tracey Tardy

The meeting, located at 1 Main St Upton MA, Ground floor conference room, was called to order by Assessor Earl @ 4:00 p.m.

Attendees: Assessor James Earl, Assessor Kelly McElreath and Department Coordinator Tracey Tardy

Motion was made by Assessor McElreath to accept the agenda as stated. Second: by Chairman Earl, majority vote by the Board.

Motion to approve meeting minutes from July 22, 2015 by Assessor McElreath, Second: by Chairman Earl, majority vote by the Board.

Mail was reviewed and initialed by the Assessors

Vouchers were approved

Motor vehicle abatement applications and certificates were approved.

June permits were reviewed

June deeds were approved

Discussion took place regarding the RFP that will be needed this year for FY17-19 for the certification and interim years with a notation that if contract accepted it may need to be adjusted if the state changes from 3 to 5 year cycle for certification. Assessor McElreath requested that a copy of the last RFP for certification be sent to both Board members for review before moving forward with the RFP process and it can be reviewed at the next meeting.

No decision was made for the address change for Jane Whitney's parcel 19-23 as the Fire Chief will need to check out the property and find the best solution for the number of the road as Russell court does not exist in the town for emergency purposes and will need review.

An abutters list for 29 Warren St was certified.

 Discussion took place with regards to the MCI settlement. At the last meeting the Board voted to accept the settlement pending information from the Town Accountant as to how to move forward if the settlement was not broken down by each fiscal year. The Department Coordinator contacted the Accountant and the Lawyer representing MCI. The Lawyer sent a letter stating if FY 2008-2009 were settled splitting the \$1500 between the 2 years they would withdraw the remaining year's outstanding cases FY2004-2015. The Accountant agreed with that as we do have the overlay dollars to cover those years. The abatements will be processed per agreement with no interest paid.

Assessor McElreath requested the Department Coordinator contact the state to see when the next 101 course will be offered so she can sign up to take it.

Motion made by Assessor McElreath to send Chairman Earl to attend the Sept 17th WCAA meeting regarding negotiations for ATB, cell tower valuations, High performance homes and LA# macros. Second: by Chairman Earl, majority vote by the Board. Next meeting will be scheduled for August 26th, 2015 The meeting was adjourned @ 4:38 p.m. Respectfully Submitted, Tracey Tardy, Department Coordinator