

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS MEETING – FEBRUARY 20, 2020

THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS MET AT THE FRANKLIN MUNICIPAL BUILDING IN ROOM 205, 355 EAST CENTRAL STREET, FRANKLIN, MASSACHUSETTS ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2020; MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:00 AM.

MEMBERS: KEN NORMAN, CHAIRMAN – present
CHRIS FEELEY, CLERK – present
DAN BALLINGER, MEMBER – not present

STAFF: KEVIN W. DOYLE, DIRECTOR OF ASSESSING – present
SUSAN M. REAGAN, APPRAISER – present

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of the Executive and Regular Sessions

B. ADMINISTRATION: OLD BUSINESS & NEW BUSINESS

1. The Board received and denied a request to withdraw an Income & Expense failure to timely file fine, after reviewing all the circumstances. Since our requested information is so critical to our CIAM (commercial, industrial, apartments and mixed use) property valuations and such great efforts are made by our Staff to notice and collect this data, the Board rarely forgives a failure to file these returns.

C. MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

1. The Board signed MV Excise Tax November 2019 and January 2020 Monthly Letters of Abatements to the Comptroller.
2. The Board signed some MV Excise Tax Abatement Denials.

D. PERSONAL PROPERTY

1. Beginning FY 2022, the MA DOR will require the Assessors to perform local utility valuations in addition to the utility provided net book value. The final appraisals submitted for Certification will be a blended product.

E. BOAT EXCISE

F. REAL ESTATE

1. The Board signed RE Tax January 2020 Monthly Letter of Abatements to the Comptroller.

Roll call vote to go into Executive Session under Purpose 7 to comply with, or act under authority of, any MA General Law (citing MGL Ch. 59, Sec. 60 as MA Statute requiring confidentiality) in regard to abatements and exemptions. At close of the Executive Session, the Board will reconvene the Open Session.

Norman – yes
Feeley – yes
Ballinger – n/a

RE Abatements & Exemptions were reviewed and voted; roll call votes were taken.

Roll call vote to come out of Executive Session and reconvene Open Session:

Norman – yes
Feeley – yes
Ballinger – n/a

The following RE Abatements were approved:

	Property
146	Brook Street
185	Chestnut Street
67	Cottage Street
16	Crystal Pond Lane
231	Grove Street
360	Grove Street
111	King Street
39	North Park Street
29	Parliament Drive
332	Partridge Street
157	Peck Street
14A	Pleasant Street
30	Ruggles Street
55	Southgate Road

The following RE exemptions were approved:

	Property
5	Chilmark Road
26	Plain Street

The following RE Tax Deferral was denied:

Property
12 Brushwood Hill

G. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. There was an Executive Session at this meeting on February 20, 2020.

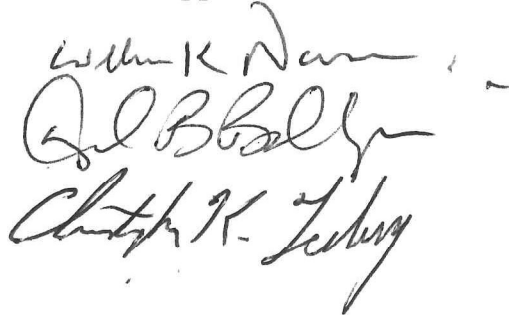
Board adjourned, agreeing to meet Thursday, March 5, 2020 at 9:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,



Kevin W. Doyle, Director of Assessing

Board Approval:



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RE Abatements were considered; roll call:

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55	Southgate Road	yes	yes	n/a

RE Exemptions were considered; roll call:

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5	Chilmark Road	yes	yes	n/a
26	Plain Street	yes	yes	n/a

RE Tax Deferrals were considered; roll call:

	Property	Norman	Feeley	Ballinger
12	Brushwood Hill	no	no	n/a

Roll call vote to come out of Executive Session and reconvene Open Session:

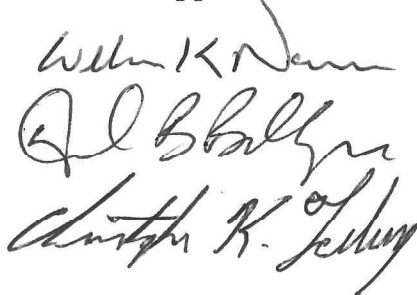
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Director of Assessing

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Release into the Public Record:

