MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS MEETING - AUGUST 10, 2023

THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS MET AT THE FRANKLIN MUNICIPAL BUILDING IN ROOM 205, 355 EAST CENTRAL STREET, FRANKLIN, MASSACHUSETTS ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2023 AT 9:30 AM.

MEMBERS: CHRIS FEELEY, CHAIRMAN - present

DAN BALLINGER, CLERK – present KEN NORMAN, MEMBER – present

STAFF:

KEVIN W. DOYLE, DIRECTOR OF ASSESSING – present

GUEST:

Cheryl Hanly, candidate for assessor

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Regular and Executive Session Minutes of July 21, 2023 were approved; the Executive Session Minutes were approved to be released into the public record.

B. ADMINISTRATION: OLD BUSINESS & NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Board signed Warrant for Treasurer to pay the Norfolk County Assessments.
- 2. Introductions were made with Cheryl Hanly, candidate for the assessor position to be vacated by Assessor Norman as of the November Election Day. If successful, Cheryl, who has worked full time in assessing for many years, long ago completed DOR Course 101 and is qualified to classify having completed the Classification Workshop.

C. MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

- 1. Board signed MV July 2023 monthly abatement letter.
- D. PERSONAL PROPERTY
- E. BOAT EXCISE
- F. REAL ESTATE
 - 1. RE ATB Appeals are pending for FY 2022 & FY 2023 for property owned by BJAT LLC located at 300 Fisher Street, a federal superfund site. Data was exchanged between the Town and the attorney and the owner of BJAT LLC at the last meeting. Director Doyle reviewed our industrial land valuation schedules. The Board was particularly interested in how we may value land with limited or no access that currently has no potential for development.

Doyle reported that this 18.3 acres would have a scheduled valuation of \$18,300 for land with this condition and situation. The Board took a roll call vote to offer this valuation in settlement of the Appellate Tax Board appeals for each of FY 2022 and FY 2023.

Feeley – yes Ballinger – yes Norman – yes

The vote was unanimous and Doyle was instructed to pass this offer along to the taxpayer's Attorney David Saliba for consideration.

G. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. There was no Executive Session at this meeting on August 10, 2023.

Board adjourned, agreeing to meet again on Thursday, August 24, 2023 at 9:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin W. Doyle, Director of Assessing

Board Approval: