

BOARD OF ASSESSORS
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MINUTES September 27, 2012

The meeting opened at 2:00pm in room 14

Present:

Samuel Bonasoro

Joseph Arcudi

Joe Niro

Priscilla Hogan, Clerk

Rui Pereira

OLD BUSINESS

Joseph Niro made a motion to accept the minutes of September 4, 2012 as written, The motion was seconded by Joseph Arcudi. Motion passed. (Samuel Bonasoro abstained – was not at the meeting).

Joseph Niro made a motion to accept the minutes of September 18, 2012 as written. The motion was seconded by Samuel Bonasoro. Motion passed. (Joseph Arcudi abstained – was not at the meeting).

NEW BUSINESS

The Board reviewed the settlement letter from Verizon New England. A court decision found that Verizon was not liable for taxes for FY 2009 on poles and wires over public ways. Verizon agreed to withdraw the Fiscal Year 2006, 2007, 2008 filings with the ATB with an abatement issued for FY 2009 of \$154,337.98 plus the 8% interest. (The Department of Revenue did the values of Verizon and the Assessors were required by the Department of Revenue to hold the abatement amount in the overlay account until the court decision was made) A motion was made by Joseph Niro to abate \$7,105,800 in value and \$154,337.98 in taxes. The motion was seconded by Joseph Arcudi. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Joseph Niro to review a FY2011 Real Estate abatement report for the month of September in the amount of \$20,730.59 at the next board meeting. The motion was seconded by Joseph Arcudi. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Joseph Niro to approve the 2011 Motor Vehicle abatement report for the month of September in the amount of \$456.64. The motion was seconded by Joseph Arcudi. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Joseph Niro to approve the 2012 Motor Vehicle abatement report for the month of September in the amount of \$6,148.37. The motion was seconded by Joseph Arcudi. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Board signed a 2012 Motor Vehicle Warrant and Commitment in the amount of \$81,618.92.

The Board reviewed the memo from the Finance Committee. Priscilla will advise the Finance Committee that they don't see any capital needs in the next 5 year time frame.

The Board reviewed a memo to the Cable Advisory Committee regarding Public Disclosure notice asking that they place it on the local cable channel.

The Board reviewed the press release to Milford Daily News which will be put in the September 28, 2012 paper regarding Public Disclosure of the new values with the dates of October 9th-12th and 15th-17th for taxpayers to be able to come to our office from 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. to view their proposed new values.

The Board reviewed the notice from the Department of Revenue regarding Notification of Preliminary Certification.

The Board signed their letter to Dawn Naff congratulating her on her completion of Department of Revenue Course 101.

The Board decided that Rui would be doing the classification hearing this year to get practice in while Priscilla is still here.

Joseph Niro made a motion that allows Priscilla Hogan to sign electronically on the Board's behalf the re-cap sheet. (The original Board members signatures will be on file in the office). The motion was seconded by Joseph Arcudi. Motion passed unanimously.

Joseph Niro made a motion to adjourn at 3:45 p.m. The motion was seconded by Joseph Arcudi. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Priscilla Hogan, Clerk
Cc: Selectmen
