

Town of Greenfield
Assessor's Meeting
June 6th, 2018

2nd Floor Meeting Room, 14 Court Square

9:00 am

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 9:01 am by Joseph Ruggeri.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS: Chairman Joseph Ruggeri and Clerk Deanne Letourneau.

Also present was Administrative Clerk Kim Mew, Steve Finer, 38 Grinnell Street, George & Anne Mislak, 9 Silver Crest Lane, Virginia DeSorgher, 43 Silver Crest Lane, Scott Devlin, 4 Silver Crest Lane and Jacqueline Thibodeau of 13 Silver Crest Lane.

Clerk Letourneau read the May 16th, 2018 meeting minutes into the record.

MOTION: On a motion by Ruggeri, second by Letourneau, it was unanimously;
VOTED: TO ACCEPT THE MAY 16TH, 2018 MEETING MINUTES.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

At 9:04 am Steve Finer a resident of 38 Grinnell Street handed the Board a letter expressing his concern about the decision on his Overvaluation application for fiscal year 2018. Mr. Finer expressed his concern about how values are assessed as well as expressing that he feels there should be a more consistent way to assess each property.

Chief Assessors Audrey Murphy entered the meeting at 9:07 am.

Audrey Murphy express that she would like the residents of Silver Crest to talk to the Board of Assessors about reconsidering the fiscal year 2017 application for overvaluation. The Board briefly discussed late submission of the applications, as well as the values that were awarded to those who filed at the Appellate Tax Board for fiscal year 2016. A question was raised in regards to how the Board signs off on applications and how decisions were made. Joe Ruggeri discussed that the Board is presented with the information from the Chief Assessor. This information was gathered by Mayflower Valuations as well as the Chief Assessor. Once presented this information the Board trusts that it is correct. Deanne Letourneau and Kim Mew helped explain that questions are asked about each application and they are not just blindly signed.

Virginia Desorgher spoke with Bill Doherty from the Appellate Tax Board. Ms. DeSorgher discussed that Mr. Doherty stated the Board of Assessors could reconsider prior years abatements. Mrs. Mew also spoke to Mr. Doherty. Clerk Letourneau would prefer a written copy of this conversation for later reference.

9:43 am Kim Mew left meeting to retrieve the fiscal year 2017 abatement applications.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION: On a motion by Ruggeri, second by Murphy, it was unanimously;
VOTED: TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE ABATEMENTS FROM MAY 14TH, 2018 THROUGH JUNE 1ST, 2018 FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2018.

Board discussed Excise commitments.

MOTION: On a motion by Ruggeri, second by Murphy, it was unanimously;
VOTED: TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE COMMITMENTS #3, #301 AND #302 FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2018 AS PREPARED.

Board discussed the bridge that is being installed into the Munis software. This bridge will allow properties that are mixed use to be looked at properly, as well as print exemptions on tax bills for those who have received them.

At 9:58 am Public Comment was closed.

MOTION: On a motion by Ruggeri, second by Letourneau, it was unanimously;
VOTED: TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:59 AM.

MOTION: On a motion by Letourneau, second by Ruggeri, it was unanimously;
VOTED: TO END EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 10:38 AM.

MOTION: On a motion by Letourneau, second by Ruggeri, it was unanimously;
VOTED: TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 10:39 AM.

Next Scheduled meeting June 27th, 2018 at 9am.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly A. Mew
Greenfield Assessors
Administrative Clerk
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