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February 2, 2021 Minutes of the Board of Assessors Meeting

Present: Chair Michael Paduch, Members Ellen Blanchard and Peter Sullivan, and Assistant Finance Director Craig Schoaf

Meeting called to order: 5:37PM by Chairman Mike Paduch

Review of Minutes:

Motion to approve the December 15, 2020 minutes as presented. Motion made by Ellen Blanchard. 2nd by Mike Paduch (2-0)

NEW BUSINESS:

- The Board reviewed and signed partial Chapter Lien Release for parcel #37-1-L (Bayside Agricultural Inc)
- Reviewed and signed November Monthly Reports to the Treasurer/Collector and Finance Director
- MGL Ch 59 Sec 5 Clause 54 (Small Personal Property Exemption)
 - o Will wait on presentation until we get the Selectboard Meeting Room.
- Assessor's Office Updates
 - o Nothing new at this moment
- Massachusetts Climate Bill
 - o New bill refiled and the Governor has 10 days to sign, veto or send back to the legislature with amendments. We will just have to wait and see what happens next.
- 8 of 58 Application
 - o Ellen Blanchard recuses herself from the Board for this discussion as there is a conflict of interest.
 - o The Board is presented with a completed 8 of 58 application ready to be sent to the Commissioner of Revenue in regards to a clerical error that happened within the 8 of 58 allowable timeframe of 3 years.
 - o Under the local options that Town has chosen to not rescind, this abatement should have been approved by the Board of Assessors in 2018 and 2019, but failure to reach out to the DOR's Bureau of Municipal Finance Law caused the abatement to sit idle for over a year and a half.

- This resulted in the Board no longer having jurisdiction over the abatement application. Applying to the Commissioner of Revenue would allow the Board of Assessor's to correct a wrong that went unaddressed.
- Assessing is all about consistency and treating everyone/every residence equally. IF something is done for one person, then it's done for another person. This application will allow us to treat everyone as equals
- Applications must be unanimously approved by the Board of Assessor's.
 - Motion to move forward with the 8 of 58 application as presented. Motion by Mike Paduch, 2nd by Peter Sullivan (2-0)
- Housing PILOT Agreements
 - After reaching out to the TA's Office to discuss with Town Counsel and not receiving any feedback, we will do the negotiations ourselves. Craig will start that when he returns from vacation.

OLD BUSINESS:

Executive Session:

Any other business:

Next meeting: February 16, 2020

Ellen Blanchard makes a motion to adjourn at 6:55 seconded by Peter Sullivan, voted 3-0 in favor

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Schoaf

Assistant Finance Director