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Present were Chair Michael L. Paduch, Member Peter D. Sullivan and Director of Assessing Ellen M. Blanchard. Member Laura A. Shippee was absent. The meeting was held at the Assessors Office Meeting Room at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes – The minutes of December 2, 2014 were approved as submitted, upon a motion by Peter and seconded by Mike, the vote was unanimous.

Classification Hearing – The Board reviewed a new presentation, in power point format, that Ellen had completed for the Board of Selectmen to help them better understand the process of setting the tax rate, and voting on the four options: the Open Space Discount, Small Commercial Exemption, Residential Exemption and whether or not to shift the tax rate from the Residential to the Commercial, Industrial and Personal property classes. Essentially the discussion was a review of the previous week's presentation. Mike said that assessors decisions affect all property owners and residents in Carver. As a result of that he said that the board must be apolitical. Peter's concerns were that the new school project will impact taxpayers heavily in the next few years. Ellen said that because we are a residential and agricultural town we aren't able to attract commercial entities except

Municipal Calendar – There is nothing specific to the assessing department for the month of November. However work on the tax rate recap is on-going.

There was no executive session needed.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 6, 2015 @ 5:30 in the Assessors Meeting Room.

As there was no other business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m. upon a motion by Peter and seconded by Mike, it was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen M. Blanchard

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