



## **TOWN OF CARVER ASSESSOR'S OFFICE**

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*Cranberry Land USA*

March 3, 2015

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

Minutes – The minutes of January 20, 2015 and the minutes of February 17, 2015 were approved as submitted. January 20, 2015 upon a motion by Peter and seconded by Laura, and February 17, 2015 upon a motion by Mike and seconded by Peter. Mike abstained for January 20<sup>th</sup> and Laura abstained for February 17<sup>th</sup>.

New Growth – Ellen discussed the potential new growth for FY2016 with the board. She mentioned that the NStar new growth has declined considerably from FY2015, going from \$14M down to \$2M. This results in a decrease of approximately \$300K in new growth. Ellen presented a spreadsheet of new growth from 2001 to 2015, with explanation for 2016. She will email the spreadsheet to the members.

Kapinos & Associates – Ellen also discussed the CAMA software consultation contract with the board. The contract covers FY2015 – 2017. She will email the contract to the members for their review.

Abatements – A Clause 18 (Hardship) application was received by this office. The board voted to enter into Executive Session (Rule #6) to discuss the specifics of this case, and to leave Executive Session after discussion, upon a motion by Peter and seconded by Laura. That vote was unanimous. After completion of Executive Session, the board voted to abate the real estate taxes for FY2015 for the applicant, upon a motion by Peter and seconded by Laura. The vote was unanimous.

Abatements granted and signed: 5 Real Estate and 1 Personal Property. The list is available in the assessors office.

Conflict of Interest – Ellen reminded the members that the Conflict of Interest paperwork was due, that she would keep a copy in the file and forward the original to the Town Clerk.

Municipal Calendar – There is nothing specific to the assessing department for the month of February. However work on abatement applications is on-going.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 17, 2015 @ 5:30 in the Assessors Meeting Room.

As there was no other business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m. upon a motion by Peter and seconded by Mike, it was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

*Ellen M. Blanchard*

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Director of Assessing