

TOWN OF SPENCER

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BOARD OF ASSESSORS

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MINUTES OF MEETING Assessor's office, Memorial Town Hall September 11, 2017 @6:00 PM

Members Present: Jeremey Snow, Pamela Woodbury and David Derosier

Principal Assessor: Linda LeBlanc

Meeting called to order @ 6:05 pm

The next Board of Assessor's meeting will be held on October 16, 2017 @6:00 due to the holiday on the previous Monday.

1. Minutes: Vote (3-0)

The Board reviewed and voted to approve the minutes from Board of Assessors Meetings on August 14, 2017.

2. Motor Vehicle: Vote (3-0)

The Board approved August's monthly list of abatements for 2017 \$2,641.55 The Board reviewed nineteen (19) abatement applications.

3. Solar PILOT's:

The Assessor reviewed the breakdown per site of the itemized list of personal property installed at the Abbey solar fields from Christopher Marsh. The PILOT's Exhibit B (The inventory), Exhibit C (The personal property depreciation and valuation schedule), and the personal property record cards will be updated according to the list. An email of the updates will be sent to the solar company for approval.

4. Chapterland: Vote (3-0)

The Board voted to approve a new Land Tax Lien for Chapter 61B on R28/9-18. The Board voted to give the principal assessor the authority to sign the lien and have it notarized for recording.

5. Executive Session:

At 7:15 a motion was made to convene in executive session to discuss private information contained in Exemption and Chapterland Applications. Under G.L. c. 30A, §21 (a) Purpose 7 citing the statutory right to privacy. The session was ended at 7:50pm and the regular Board meeting was reopened.

Exemptions:

The Board discussed and voted to approve the following 22a-e Veterans applications for FY18, each in the amount of \$400; Vote (3-0)

- U6/188 Earl Bengston
- R35/15 Daniel Bonardi
- U7/126 Lee Brusa
- R8/45 Warren Cobill
- U32/68 Steven Crozier
- R10/5 James Donohue
- R42/1 Jefferey Goodrow
- U37/26 John Hatch

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- U7/98 Joseph Howard
- R17/12 Richard Hoyt
- R44/31/1 John Kates
- R50/3-1 Elizabeth Lusignan
- U7/91 Mark Paguin
- U34/51 Brian Pashoian
- Marcia Pottle
- R03/32 Bertrand St. Pierre

The Board discussed and requested a copy of the Trust to verify the following 22a-e Veterans application for FY18; Vote (3-0)

R34/4 David Mainville

The Board discussed and voted to approve the following 22E Veterans applications for FY18, each in the amount of \$1,000; Vote (3-0)

- R37/6 William Belair
- U2/53 Richard McDermott
- U14/83 Eric Moir
- R16/5 Gerald Scanlon

The Board discussed and voted to approve the following 22E Veterans application for FY18, in the amount of \$333; Vote (3-0)

• U8/50 John Cassavant

The Board discussed and voted to approve the following 22E Veterans application for FY18, in the amount of \$500; Vote (3-0)

• U7/247 Frank Harvey

The Board discussed and voted to approve the following 22D Veterans application for FY18, for the total year's tax amount; Vote (3-0)

• U6/95 Jeanette Bourdon

The Board discussed and voted to approve the following 37A Blind applications for FY18, each in the amount of \$500; Vote (3-0)

- U4/33 Constance Bouley
- R24/31 Lisa Dunham
- R25/45 Mary Mason
- U20/66 Mary Madden

The Board discussed and voted to approve the following 17D Widow/Elderly applications for FY18, each in the amount of \$175; Vote (3-0)

- R35/48 Doris Campbell
- U05/23 Helen Moe
- U14/50 Donna Olson
- R01/5 Judith Sturrock

Chapterland:

The following Chapter 61B applications were approved for FY19;

Vote (3-0)

• R R46/4-1 & 5 Gregg Andrews

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- R28/9-18 Paul Bernard
- R41/3 Czajkowski Family Irr. Trust
- R39/14 Joseph Foley
- R37/22-1 Mitchell Gurk
- R37/27-1 Robert McGourty
- U17/40 Richard Monette
- R25/3 Warren Ramsey
- R23/40 Spencer Fish & Game Club

The following were removed from Chapterland for FY18 because they do not have a correct lien:

Vote (3-0)

- R23/27 Paul Aucoin
- R20/23 Harold Ormsbee

6. Old Business:

- The water contamination issue was discussed and the lab testing reviewed for R14/4-2. The Board feels that the lab testing cost is compensated by the added cost factor and external obsolescence, resulting in a 29% deduction in value, which is the percentage award by the ATB decision in 2006. A letter will be sent to the homeowner to explain. Other properties that were receiving factors for water contamination will be brought back to full value, because we have no proof that an issue still exists for them.
- The Board would like to pursue the issue of Spencer Housing Authority paying an in lieu of tax amount.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:00pm

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Linda LeBlanc, MAA Principal Assessor