

Assessors Meeting Minutes
March 16, 2015

Meeting was held on Monday March 16, 2015 and called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Sandy Lilly
Present: Sandy Lilly (SL), Rick Chandler (RC), Donna Sarro (DS), Jennifer Morse (JM)

Appointments:

Corrine Gougeon – rescheduled to April 6th meeting

Other Business

STM request for \$900 for legal fees from ATB plus \$1500-\$3500 for town line mapping corrections. The Selectboard has requested a meeting to discuss the monies for the STM in early April. SL and RC went to the Selectboard meeting at 7 p.m. and Article 1 will be in the amount of \$3900 for Assessors Expenses which includes the mapping and legal expenses.

Minutes

A motion was made by SL and seconded by RC to accept the minutes from March 2, 2015. **VOTE: SL- Aye, RC- Aye, DS- Abstained 2-0-1**

A motion was made by RC and seconded by SL to accept the minutes from March 5, 2015. **VOTE: SL- Aye, RC- Aye, DS-Abstained 2-0-1**

Signatures

Payment Voucher - Mayflower	\$2550	Signed by SL
Motor Vehicle Commitment 14A (Add-on's)		Signed by All Members
Motor Vehicle Commitment 15A (Add-on's)		Signed by All Members

Old Business

Ashfield/Buckland Town Line - Email from Pam Guyette on March 11, 2015 discussed the Buckland attorney's opinion of the situation. JM discussed with Pam changing the date of completion to July 1, 2015 s both JM and the Ashfield Tax Collector Laura Blakesley feel that would work better.. Pam and the Buckland collector want the changeover to be January 1, 2016 and all with work together to coordinate billing to the affected property owners. Pam stated they will omit and revise bills after the work has been completed by Franco. JM to discuss with Laura. Next step is to get the approval for the mapping money at STM and have Franco figure out the exact acreage and all of the properties affected.

Ashfield House - SL spoke with the DOR (Joanne Graziano and other staff) about the Ashfield House LLC. Joanne Graziano stated that she was familiar with the Ashfield House as it is in the Top 5 tax payers. Sandy filled in the group on the abatement proceedings to date and the most recent ATB case. Joanne went over Duane's income approach information and felt that Ashfield "has a really good case". She felt that Duane was conservative in his approach and that Duane can testify to his figures however the DOR does not testify at ATB cases. Joanne stated there are other cases like this. She will get historical cases to Ryan for us. She suggested the Ashfield House provide Income and Expense Forms. JM will mail the form to the Ashfield House LLC for return prior to April 20, 2015. SL will reach out to Tom Carter for permission to contact town counsel for guidance if the abatement is denied and a "formal appeal" is sent to the ATB by the Ashfield House.

New Business

Conservation Land Documents – Tabled to April 6, 2015

Survey - Survey for Condon/White reviewed by the board. Survey will be forwarded to CAI Technologies for FY17 maps.

Next Meetings:

Franco Meeting Monies and explanation of further investigating
Ashfield House LLC Income and Expense Form and Abatement Decision
Conservation Land Documents

March 23 Budget Hearing Meeting with Selectboard/Finance Committee @ 7 p.m.
April 6 Regular Meeting with Executive Session @ 6 p.m.
April 6 Special Town Meeting @ 7 p.m.
April 20 Regular Meeting with Executive Session @ 6 p.m.

A motion was made by SL and seconded by RC to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:35p.m. and enter into executive session – reasoning: exemptions and abatements, and not to return to the regular meeting. **Roll Call**
Vote: SL- Aye, RC- Aye, DS – Aye 3-0

Submitted:

Jennifer Morse (Assessors Clerk)

March 17, 2015

Approved: April 6, 2015 3-0