

Assessors Meeting Minutes
April 4, 2016

The meeting was held on Monday April 4 2016 and called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Sandy Lilly
Present: Sandy Lilly (SL), Donna Sarro (DS), Amy Shapiro (AS), Jennifer Morse (JM)

Minutes -

A motion was made by AS and seconded by DS to accept the regular and executive session minutes of March 7, 2016 VOTE: SL- Aye, DS- Aye, AS- Aye 3-0

Signatures- Signed by All Board Members unless otherwise noted

Monthly Lists- Motor Vehicle for March 2016- Levy Years 2010, 2011 and 2012 Request from tax collector

Monthly Lists - Real Estate/Personal Property for March 2016 - Fiscal Year 2016

Monthly List - Real Estate/Personal Property for March 2016 - Fiscal Year 2016 Water District

Monthly List - Motor Vehicle for March 2016- Levy Years 2015 and 2016

Warrant to Collector - Motor Vehicle Commitment #2

Old Business – None

New Business

FY17 Maps - It was noted that the fee to maintain maps went up to \$2000 for FY17 from \$1950. Signature page signed by all board members.

FY17 TAP Enrollment - Run by the DOR the TAP program works with the town to set goals for having the tax rate set by November instead of during the December rush. The DOR will be in Ashfield on Wednesday March 20 at 9:30 a.m. for the initial program meeting. The board asked JM to extend an invitation to George Stephan. AS and DS both plan on attending. JM has reached out to Mayflower who cannot be present but will have the LA3, LA4 and LA13 ready to go by September 2016.

ATB - Notice of hearings were received for two pending ATB cases. The hearings will be on June 23 in Northampton. Ashfield House and Luce/Glover will be heard at that time.

Ashfield House

Barry Auskern attorney for the Ashfield House sent a letter dated March 9, 2016 in regards to the Ashfield House FY16 appellate board tax filing.

JM shared that Attorney Auskern left a voice mail asking if the town would be willing to have FY15 and FY16 cases both on June 23rd. SL stated that Duane should have input on hearing two cases in one day. JM felt as if town council should be contacted to answer the question. The board asked JM to contact Duane Adams-Mayflower to inquire on two cases and the fee.

Barry Auskern attorney for the Ashfield House sent a letter dated January 20, 2016 attached was a recent appraisal complete by Kim Levitch Real Estate Appraisal. Mr. Levitch's appraisal of the Ashfield House for FY15 and FY16 is \$250,000.

Meeting Schedule

April 20 – 9 a.m. followed by DOR meeting at 9:30 a.m.

May 2 – 6 p.m.

Adjourn

*A motion was made by SL and seconded by DS to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:40 p.m. and enter into executive session for exemptions and litigation, not to return to the regular meeting. **ROLL CALL VOTE: SL-Yes, DS – Yes, AS-, Yes 3-0***

Submitted:

Jennifer Morse – Assessors Clerk

April 5, 2016

Approved: 4/20/16 Vote: 2-0