

Town of Bedford, Board of Assessors

Date: December 9, 2015

Flint Room, Bedford Town Center

Call To Order: 7:00PM

Roll Call: Ron Cordes, Chair; Bruce Murphy, Clerk; Alan Ferguson, Associate Assessor

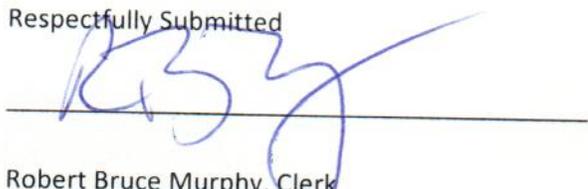
Guests: Selectmen Mike Rosenberg, Finance Committee member Rich Bowen

Discussion:

1. Move to accept the minutes of the meeting of November 12, 2015. Moved by Zoe Pierce; seconded by Ron Cordes; vote 3-0-0.
2. Move to accept the minutes of the meeting of November 16, 2015. Moved by Zoe Pierce; seconded by Ron Cordes; vote 2-0-1.
3. Alan Ferguson reported that the billing files have been generated. Third quarter tax bills will be distributed on December 28.
4. Alan Ferguson reported that a Telecommunications case, Conversant Communication Docket F285680, has been dismissed by the Appellate Tax Board. This was a FY2006 case with an estimated overlay risk of less than \$2000.
5. Alan Ferguson briefed the Board on his efforts to extend our usage of the Patriot Properties Mass Appraisal system. He will be activating the exemption tracking capabilities of the system.
6. Alan Ferguson briefed the Board on his efforts to coordinate with the Council on Aging regarding public education for the elderly on property tax exemption policies.
7. Ron Cordes briefed the Board on the Fiscal Planning and Coordinating Committee meeting and lead a discussion to finalize the Board's input to the Fiscal Planning Model.
 - a. Overlay Reserve confirmed at \$900,000
 - b. No action on the declaration of Overlay Surpluses from previous fiscal years until January when the status of the Telecommunications Personal Property Tax appeals is clearer.
 - c. New Growth estimate increased to \$1,100,000.
8. Alan Ferguson briefed the Board on the reassessment for 2A Carlisle Rd. (Parcel ID: 044-0025) for the years 2010-2015 to correct the ownership title records and allow a taking of low value. The lot has been declared unbuildable and the value has been set at \$25,400.
9. Next Meeting January 6, 2016
10. Move to adjourn: Moved by Bruce Murphy, seconded by Zoe Pierce, Vote 3-0-0.

Adjournment: 8:40 PM

Respectfully Submitted


Robert Bruce Murphy, Clerk

Approved by Board: 1/6/16