

Town of Bedford, Board of Assessors
March 12, 2014
Bedford Town Hall

Call To Order: The Clerk, acting as Chairman,, called the meeting to order at 7:00PM

Roll Call: Clerk Ronald Cordes, Assessor Bruce Murphy, Assessor Zoe Pierce, Associate Assessor Stephan Poulos

Guests: John Linz,

Discussion:

1. The Minutes of the meeting of March 12, 2014 were discussed. MOVED by Mr. Murphy and SECONDED by Mr. Cordes to accept the minutes as presented. VOTED: 2-0-1
2. Reorganization: Chair – Mr. Murphy NOMINATED Mr. Cordes for the position of Board Chair; Ms. Pierce SECONDED the nomination. There were no other nominations. Voted 3-0-0. Clerk – Ms. Pierce NOMINATED Mr. Murphy for the position of Board Clerk. Mr. Cordes SECONDED the nomination. There were no other nominations. VOTED 3-0-0.
3. Mr. Murphy MOVED a proclamation recognizing John Linz for his long service to the Board and the Town on his retirement from the Board; SECONDED by Mr. Cordes. VOTED 3-0-0.
4. Mr. Murphy MOVED that the Board authorize Mr. Poulos to go forward with a contract with Real Estate Research Consultants, Inc. (RRC), a full service appraisal company specializing in personal property appraisal and valuation for the appraisal of Personal Property in Bedford for seven thousand dollars (\$7000) each for fiscal years 2014 and 2015; SECONDED by Ms. Pierce. VOTED 3-0-0.
5. Carleton Willard has indicated that they are willing to defer the update of the mutual formal appraisal of the property. Mr. Poulos will finalize the details of the schedule with their representation.
6. The taxpayer has agreed to withdraw his Appellate Tax Board filing for the property at 216 Concord based on the proposed terms. The Board instructed Mr. Poulos that it will vote on the terms upon receiving written notice of the withdrawal from the taxpayer.
7. Meetings to be posted: March 19, March 26, April 2.
8. Mr. Murphy MOVED to adjourn into EXECUTIVE SESSION to discuss Abatements and Litigation; Ms. Pierce SECONDED. ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Codes – AYE, Mr. Murphy –AYE, Ms. Pierce- AYE. The Board adjourned into EXECUTIVE SESSION at 8:20.

9. Upon Return from EXECUTIVE SESSION the Board reported that it had discussed thirty-two (32) abatement requests and VOTED 3-0-0 as follows:

- Twenty-three (23) Real Estate Abatement requests Denied
- Three(3) Personal Property Abatement Requests Denied
- One (1) Real Estate Abatement Request Held for further information
- One Personal Property Abatement request Held for further information
- 4 Independence Road, Abatement Granted - \$512,500
- 60 Sweetwater Avenue, Abatement Granted -\$505,300
- 91 Kendall Court, Abatement Granted- \$500,000
- 12 School Street, Abatement Granted - \$390,500

Adjournment: There being no further business before the Board, Mr. Murphy MOVED adjournment at 9:50 PM; SECONDED by Ms. Pierce. VOTE: 3-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted



Robert Bruce Murphy, Clerk

Approved by Board: 04/02/2014