

Board of Assessors

MINUTES
October 2, 2019

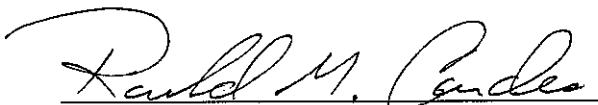
CALL: The Chair called the meeting in Town Hall to order at 7:00 pm.

ROLL CALL: Bruce Murphy, Chair; Ronald Cordes, Clerk; Zoe Pierce, Assessor.

GUESTS: James Doherty, Consultant.

- DISCUSSION:**
1. The Board reviewed the Minutes of September 18, 2019. Ms. Pierce **MOVED** the Minutes be approved as presented. Mr. Murphy seconded. The Board **VOTED** 3-0-0.
 2. The Board discussed whether or not to adopt a uniform standard for determining income for all exemptions and 41-A deferrals. No action was taken.
 3. Mr. Doherty presented an update on our cyclical adjustments:
 - The Town was on course for presenting the data to DOR for certification on time in spite of some delays caused by internal computer problems.
 - Class 101 properties were holding pretty steady compared to last year. Class 104 properties were going up due to new sales data.
 - Commercial/industrial properties were coming in line with very few changes.
 - Personal Property was complete. He will have New Growth numbers at our next meeting.
 - He announced that Ms. Rebecca Boucher is our new BLA representative.
 4. The Board discussed their proposed functional responsibility chart.
 5. Mr. Murphy reported that the next candidate for Assessing Director will be interviewed next week.
 6. The Board reviewed the Exemption/Deferral letter. No action was taken.
 7. The Board decided its next meetings would be October 9 and October 21.
 8. The Board signed Motor Vehicle Excise tax abatements.
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 10. The Board discussed a pending Chapter 61-A lien.
 11. Ms. Pierce **MOVED** that the Board adjourn to Executive Session, not to return to Open Session, for the purpose of discussing pending property tax abatements and legal matters. Mr. Cordes seconded. On a unanimous roll-call vote, the Board **ADJOURNED** to Executive Session at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,


Ronald M. Cordes, Clerk

Minutes APPROVED by the Board on October 21, 2019.