



TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN
DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL FINANCE - ASSESSORS' OFFICE

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Minutes of the
BOARD OF ASSESSORS MEETING
Town Hall, Thursday, March 1, 2018
Caucus Hall Conference Room
260 Commercial Street

CALL TO ORDER: Ms. DeLuca called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms. Patty DeLuca (Vice-Chair)
Mr. Scott Fahle
Ms. Leslie Parsons

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Greg Muse
Mr. Robert Sanborn (Chair)

STAFF PRESENT: Mr. Scott Fahle, Principal Assessor

STAFF ABSENT: Ms. Cheryl MacKenzie, Assessors Office Manager

PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Ms. Parsons made a motion to accept the BOA Minutes of January 25, 2018, as written. Ms. DeLuca seconded the motion, and the motion carried by a 3-0-0 vote.

PUBLIC STATEMENTS:

None

Ms. DeLuca, acting as chair in the absence of Mr. Robert Sanborn, motioned that we call the meeting into Executive Session, and Mr. Fahle seconded the motion. The motion was carried by a vote of 3-0-0.

Ms. DeLuca called the Meeting into Executive Session per the Massachusetts General Law 30A – Section 21@ 8:33 AM

Begin Executive Session: OPEN MEETING LAW, G.L. c. 30A, §§ 21

MGL c 59, ss60 – Application for Abatement/Exemptions
MGL c 59, ss52B – Valuation Information

MGL c 59, ss8A – Discovery Collected in ATB Cases
MGL c 59, ss38D – Written Return of Information
MGL c 59, ss61A – Discovery Collected with Abatement Applications

End Executive Session: OPEN MEETING LAW, G.L. c. 30A, §§ 21

MGL c 59, ss60 – Application for Abatement/Exemptions
MGL c 59, ss52B – Valuation Information
MGL c 59, ss8A – Discovery Collected in ATB Cases
MGL c 59, ss38D – Written Return of Information
MGL c 59, ss61A – Discovery Collected with Abatement Applications

Ms. DeLuca motioned that we end Executive Session, and Mr. Fahle seconded the motion. The motion was carried by a vote of 3-0-0.
Ms. DeLuca officially ended Executive Session at 8:46 a.m.

FY18 STATUTORY EXEMPTIONS/ABATEMENTS:

Exemptions

The Board reviewed the Forth list of FY2018 exemptions to date. Six (6) applications were reviewed with the following actions:

Clause 41C - Elderly Persons – Two (2) applications were considered for this period. All applicants meet the current requirements. The motion carried 3-0-0.

Community Preservation Act - Three (3) applications were considered for this period. All applicants meet the current requirements. The motion carried 3-0-0.

Clause 22 - Veterans – None

Clause 37A – Blind Persons – One (1) application was considered for this period. All applicants meet the current requirements. The motion carried 3-0-0.

Clause 17D-Surviving Spouse/Elderly – None

Clause 41A Deferrals – None

Section 5K – Senior Volunteer Work Credit – None

FY18 – AFFORDABLE HOUSING ABATEMENTS:

Affordable Housing

The Board reviewed the Forth list of FY2018 Affordable Housing Applications as follows: A total of Three (3) properties consisting of Four (4) units were reviewed: All Four (4) units met the current requirements. The motion carried 3-0.

FY18 – RESIDENTIAL EXEMPTIONS**Residential Exemptions/Abatements**

The Board reviewed the Forth list of FY2018 Residential Exemptions to be processed as Abatements to date. Three (3) applications were reviewed with the following actions:

Residential Exemptions/Abatements –Three (3) applications were considered for this period. All applicants meet the current requirements. The motion carried 3-0-0.

ASSESSORS OFFICE UPDATES

Mr. Fahle provided the Board copies of the new Act that expands the Residential Exemption to include: “a residential parcel occupied by a resident of the Town of Provincetown, other than the taxpayer, occupied on a year-round basis and used as his or her principal residence for income tax purposes.” This exemption will adjust the taxes of owners who rent on a year -round basis to residents of Provincetown who use the rental as their principal residence for income tax purposes.

Additionally, Mr. Fahle provided draft copies of the new application and asked both Ms. Deluca and Ms. Parsons for their comments on the application for the expanded Residential Exemption.

APPROVAL AND SIGNATURES FOR MOTOR VEHICLE/BOAT COMMITMENT AND ABATEMENT REPORTS:

Mr. Fahle provided the Board members with the following documents prepared by Ms. MacKenzie for signatures as follows: All were approved (3-0).

1. FY18 MV Abatements
2. FY17 MV Abatements
3. FY16 MV Abatements
4. FY18 Boat Excise Abatements

MISCELLANEOUS:

None

NEXT BOA MEETING:

Thursday, April 5, 2018

ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. DeLuca motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Fahle. The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Scott Fahle

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Principal Assessor

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