

**TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN**  
***DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL FINANCE - ASSESSORS' OFFICE***

Minutes of the  
BOARD OF ASSESSORS MEETING  
Town Hall, March 16, 2000

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**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM by  
Chairperson, Alberta Romano.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ms. Romano, Ms. Pam Parmakian, Mr. Jack Kosko, Mr. Rick  
Blanchette

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mrs. Lina Berry

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Staff: Mr. Dana Faris, Principal Assessor; Mr. John  
Warner, Assessing Department Clerk

**MINUTES:**

Mr. Kosko moved, seconded by Ms. Romano, to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2000 meeting as written. The motion carried by a vote of 3-0.

**PUBLIC STATEMENTS:** There were no public statements.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Mr. Faris reported on the following recent correspondence sent or received by the Assessors' Office:

1. A memo from Mr. Faris to Mr. Warner renaming four Bradford St. Ext. addresses to Oppen Lane addresses.
2. A copy of a letter from the U.S. Bankruptcy Court relating to the sale of Real, Personal, and Intangible property located at 4 Kiley Court.
3. A memo from Mr. Faris to Keith Bergman, Town Manager, relating to the Collinson subdivision plan on Race Point Rd.
4. A memo from Mr. Faris to Kenneth J. Learned, Director of Municipal Finance/Treasurer/Tax Collector, outlining a proposal to be placed on the table in conjunction with contract negotiations between the Town and AFSCME Local 1462.
5. An invoice for research done for Lori Meads.
6. A copy of the Town Meeting Warrant 2000 from the Board of Selectmen.
7. A copy of a letter from Charles Mayo of 1 Duncan Lane outlining "severe flooding conditions"

adjacent to his property.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Appellate Tax Board Cases Update:** There were no cases to update for this period.

**Clause 58, Section 8 Abatements:** Mr. Faris presented the following abatement applications to the Board:

1. Downing, Jim-Boat Excise Tax bill #98-74.
2. Watson, Nancy-Boat Excise Tax bill #98-230.

Mr. Kosko moved, seconded by Ms. Parmakian, to petition the Department of Revenue for authority to abate these two bills. Both applications were timely filed, but the Board did not act on them due to a clerical error. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Abatements:** Mr. Warner reported on the following applications for abatement and recommended that they be granted:

- 24 partial abatements resulting from trades or sales of vehicles.
  - 19 full abatements resulting from bills issued in error and recommitments to other towns.
- Mr. Blanchette moved, seconded by Ms. Parmakian, to accept Mr. Warner's recommendation. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

**Boat Excise Tax Abatements:** There were no applications to consider for this period.

**Executive Session:** Ms. Parmakian moved, seconded by Mr. Blanchette, to go into executive session at 9:40 AM. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

At 11:00 AM, Mr. Kosko moved, seconded by Ms. Parmakian, to adjourn until 9:00 AM on Thursday, March 23, 2000. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

At 9:00 AM on March 23, 2000, Ms. Parmakian moved, seconded by Mr. Kosko, to reconvene the meeting with the same Board members present. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

At 11:20 AM, Ms. Parmakian moved, seconded by Mr. Kosko, to adjourn until 9:00 AM on March 24, 2000.

At 9:00 AM on March 24, 2000, Mr. Kosko moved, seconded by Ms. Parmakian, to reconvene the meeting with the same Board members present. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

At 9:05 AM, Mr. Kosko moved, seconded by Ms. Parmakian to come out of executive session. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

**Overlay Surplus:** Mr. Kosko moved, seconded by Ms. Parmakian, to release the following funds from the overlay surplus:

- FY 1995 Overlay- \$4,000
- FY 1996 Overlay- \$8,000
- FY 1999 Overlay- \$38,000

for a total of \$50,000. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

At 9:30 AM, Mr. Blanchette moved, seconded by Ms. Parmakian to go into executive session. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Mr. Kosko left the meeting at 10:00. At 10:30AM, Mr. Blanchette moved, seconded by Ms. Parmakian, to come out of executive session. The motion carried by a vote of 3-0.

**Board Appointment:** The Assessors' office was informed that Leslie Parsons was appointed as the alternate member of the Board on February 29, 2000 for a term which will expire on December 31, 2001.

**OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS:**

**Assessing Team and Office News:** There was no assessing team or office news that was not fully covered elsewhere in the minutes.

- **Future Meeting Dates:** There will be a meeting of the Board of Assessors on March 30, 2000 at 9:30 AM.

- **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Blanchette moved that the meeting be adjourned at 10:46 and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

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Lina Berry, Clerk

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Dana Faris, Principal Assessor

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