

TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN
DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL FINANCE - ASSESSORS' OFFICE

Minutes of the
BOARD OF ASSESSORS MEETING
Town Hall, June 22, 2000

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CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by
Chairperson, Alberta Romano.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms. Romano, Mrs. Lina Berry, Mr. Rick Blanchette, Ms. Leslie
Parsons

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ms. Pam Parmakian, Mr. Jack Kosko

OTHERS PRESENT: Staff: Mr. Dana Faris, Principal Assessor

MINUTES:

Ms. Berry moved, seconded by Mr. Blanchette, to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2000 meeting as written. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

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 letter from Mr. Faris certifying ownership of 12 Winslow St.
2. A memo from Keith Bergman, Town Manager, regarding the Special Town Meeting called for June 26, 2000.
3. A copy of the 1999 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for the Provincetown Water Department.
4. A letter from the Department of Revenue stating that the Bureau of Local Assessments has completed the process of determining the proposed 2000 Equalized Valuations.
5. A letter from the Department of Revenue notifying of preliminary certification.
6. A letter from the Department of Revenue notifying of final certification.
7. A letter from Mr. Faris regarding valuation of a parcel of land located at 17 Nelson Ave.
8. A copy of an editorial which appeared in the New York Time regarding part-time property owners and their representation in town government.
9. A letter from the Department of Revenue regarding final notice of state-owned land valuation.
10. A memo from Keith Bergman, Town Manager, regarding bottled water coolers in town-owned properties.
11. A copy of the Town Meeting Times, a brochure highlighting the June 26, 2000 Special Town Meeting.
12. A copy of a Cape Cod Commission report regarding the Provincetown, Seashore Bike Trail Safety Study.

OLD BUSINESS:

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

- **Chapter 58, Section 8 Abatements:** There were no abatement applications to update for this period.

- **NEW BUSINESS**

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

- 24 partial abatements resulting from trades or sales of vehicles.
 - 11 full abatements resulting from bills issued in error and recommitments to other towns.
- Mr. Blanchette moved, seconded by Mrs. Berry, to accept the staff's recommendations. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Boat Excise Tax Abatements: Mr. Faris reported on the following applications for abatement and recommended that they be granted:

- 3 partial abatements due to sales
 - 7 full abatements due to bills issued in error.
- Mrs. Berry moved, seconded by Ms. Parsons, to accept the staff's recommendations. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS:

Assessors' Records On Line: The Board had a discussion of the desirability of making assessors' records available on the Internet. It was decided to reflect on this subject further prior to taking a vote on a recommendation to the Selectmen.

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 **July 27, 2000 at 9:00 AM.**

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ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Blanchette moved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:33 AM and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Lina Berry, Clerk

Dana Faris, Principal Assessor

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