

TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN
DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL FINANCE - ASSESSORS' OFFICE

Minutes of the
BOARD OF ASSESSORS MEETING
Town Hall, September 28, 2000

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CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 9:05 AM by Chairperson, Alberta Romano.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms. Romano, Mrs. Lina Berry, Mr. Jack Kosko, Mr. Rick Blanchette

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ms. Pam Parmakian (excused), Ms. Leslie Parsons (excused)

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

MINUTES:

Mrs. Berry moved, seconded by Mr. Kosko, to approve the minutes of the September 21, 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 to John Reis formally requesting an inspection of his property at 6 Oak Dr. in conjunction with an abatement application.
2. A letter from Rachel Crosby, purporting to be the Treasurer of the Provincetown Tennis Club, requesting information on the Club's abatement application.
3. A letter from Mr. Faris to Charles McKenzie regarding the FY 1984 assessed value for his property at 674A Commercial St.
4. A copy of a letter from the Cape Cod Commission to Judith Oset, Director of the Department of Regulatory Management enclosing the Board's DRI Decision on the Locke Property Subdivision located at 676 & 684 Commercial St.

OLD BUSINESS:

Appellate Tax Board Cases Update: Mr. Faris reported on the following Appellate Tax Board cases:

1. Seagull Realty Trust, 56 Shank Painter Rd. Mr. Kosko moved, seconded by Mrs. Berry, to authorize Mr. Faris to offer \$2,763,360 for FY'97 and \$2,836,080 for FY'98 in exchange for withdrawal of all claims for FY'97-00. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Chapter 58, Section 8 Abatements: There were no applications to consider for this period.

NEW BUSINESS

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Abatements: Mr. Warner reported on the following applications for abatement:

- Partially abate six bills from 2000 as a result of trades or sales.
- Fully abate one bill that was issued in error and recommit it to another town.

Mr. Blanchette moved, seconded by Mrs. Berry, to abate the above-referenced bills in accordance with staff recommendations. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

- Deny one application for a 2000 bill that was issued correctly for which there are no grounds for abatement.

Mr. Kosko moved, seconded by Mrs. Berry, to deny this application. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

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

Executive Session: At 9:20 AM, Mrs. Berry moved, seconded by Mr. Blanchette, to go into executive session for the purpose of reviewing exemptions, abatement applications, and proposed values for FY'01. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0. During the executive session, the Board took the following actions:

Exemptions: Mr. Warner presented the following applications for exemption under MGL Ch. 59 § 5 with the following recommendations:

Clause 22-Veterans: There were three applications to consider for this period. All the applicants meet the requirements for this exemption. Therefore, Mr. Blanchette moved, seconded by Mr. Kosko, to grant these exemptions. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Real Property Tax Abatements:

1. Welsh, Charles F et ux, 8 Holway Ave. Based on the addition of an economic obsolescence factor for an illegal landfill and dump at 9 Holway Ave., Mr. Kosko moved, seconded by Mrs. Berry, to abate the assessed value to \$195,600. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.
2. Civilinski, John C, #1 AIR CD. Based on the addition of an economic obsolescence factor for an illegal landfill and dump at 9 Holway Ave., Mrs. Berry moved, seconded by Mr. Blanchette, to abate the assessed value to \$106,100. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.
3. Flax, Donna, #3 AIR CD. Based on the addition of an economic obsolescence factor for an illegal landfill and dump at 9 Holway Ave., Mr. Blanchette moved, seconded by Mr. Kosko, to abate the assessed value to \$102,100. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.
4. Robinson, Michael, #5 AIR CD. Based on the addition of an economic obsolescence factor for an illegal landfill and dump at 9 Holway Ave., Mrs. Berry moved, seconded by Mr. Kosko, to abate the assessed value to \$106,300. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.
5. Sants, James A, 16 Holway Ave. Based on the addition of an economic obsolescence factor for an illegal landfill and dump at 9 Holway Ave., Mr. Kosko moved, seconded by Mr. Blanchette, to abate the assessed value to \$158,600. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.
6. Guerreiro, Robert J et ux, 7 Holway Ave. Based on the addition of an economic obsolescence factor

for an illegal landfill and dump at 9 Holway Ave., Mr. Blanchette moved, seconded by Mr. Kosko, to abate the assessed value to \$133,700. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

7. Notaro, Joseph A et al, 170 Bradford St. Based on a site inspection on 9/6/00, Mr. Blanchette moved, seconded by Mr. Kosko, to abate the assessed value to \$274,600. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.
8. Sinaiko Residence Trust, 609-611 Commercial St. Based on a site inspection on 9/21/00, which revealed a lesser condition than previously noted, Mr. Kosko moved, seconded by Mr. Blanchette, to abate the assessed value to \$793,400. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

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Personal Property Tax Abatements:

1. Rizzo, Dominick A et al, 81 Bradford St. Based on an inventory provided by the taxpayer of property in the rental unit, Mr. Kosko moved, seconded by Mr. Blanchette, to abate the assessed value to \$300. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

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At 1145 AM, Mr. Blanchette moved, seconded by Mr. Kosko, to come out of executive session. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS:

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

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Future Meeting Dates: There was no date selected for the next meeting of the Board.

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ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Blanchette moved that the meeting be adjourned at 11:45 and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Lina Berry, Clerk

Dana Faris, Principal Assessor

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