

BOARD OF ASSESSORS  
MEETING OF JULY 28, 2006 AT 7:30 a.m.  
Held in Room 205

MINUTES

Present: Fred Freund, William Ingham, James Winroth and Pamela Campbell and Kenneth Mildren, Chief Assessor and Anita Harding, recording secretary.

Absent: Brian Wright

Pamela made a motion to accept the minutes of June 6, 2006 and it was seconded by Jim. The vote was unanimous to accept them.

Ken put together a preliminary review as to how the revaluation for 2006 is going. It is beginning to look like the Commercial values will stay about the same, the Industrial values will go down and the residential values will be going up slightly. Ken stated that this is only preliminary and could change once all the analysis is complete.

All Board members drove by the property on Nancy's Way and are still in agreement with their decision to deny an abatement on the property.

Ken reported that Scott, from the Department of Revenue, has been in to do the data quality study and everything looks fine. Everything is progressing smoothly.

The cyclical inspections are a little behind schedule and therefore there is a new schedule in place where there will only be one person in the office from now on and each one of the staff will be doing date collection every day. We should be able to do 7 to 10 homes a day and finish the project by October.

Pamela stated that the Economic Development Committee is requesting a representative from each Board be on the Committee. She has been the

representative for the Assessors for a little over a year and requests that another Board member take her place. A discussion as to who that might be will take place at the Board's next meeting, August 11, 2006.

Fred suggested that there be a press release when the actual tax bills go out in December, alerting taxpayers of the time to file for an abatement for overvaluation. It was stated that the information is written on the tax bill but maybe an announcement of some kind would be a good idea.

Ken brought it to the attention of the Board that the non-union employees are working with the Selectmen to put together a salary survey. Tim Goddard, Town Administrator, asked all department heads to do the survey for their particular offices. The information collected will then be reviewed by Tim. Ken will keep the Board informed as to how the survey is coming along and let them know if there is anything that the Board needs to discuss.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for August 11, 2006 at 7:30 a.m.