

SHELBURNE BOARD OF ASSESSORS
MINUTES of July 7, 2014 Meeting

- 1) Meeting called to order at 6:09PM - Jim Richardson , Joe Mattie, Alan Coutinho, Bill Barry present
 - 2) Signed
 - a. Prior mtg minutes
 - b. MVE and Real Property Abatement summary reports
 - c. Sign monthly summary reports
 - d. Sign four Preliminary FY2015 Warrants To Collector
 - e. Sign (for roll-back) FY2014 Omitted & Revised Assessment (DOR) reports
 - 3) Real Estate & Personal Property Abatement Application Status.
 - a. Bill reported on the status of TransCanada & 232 Main St. We are waiting for a letter from National Grid stating that National Grid acknowledges their responsibility for taxes on real property of the Building & Switchyard equipment located within the parcel at 232 Main St.
 - b. Regarding Deerfield #2 Dam . Discussed possible abated value. Reviewed Kitchell Lee's Appraisal. Deferred abatement decision until next meeting.

 - 4) Bill raised questions on APR-Chapter Land Sale that was made without notification to Town. Property is 65 Acres on Peckville Rd. McAllister sold property on June 23 to West County Cider LLC of Colrain. Concern raised was that this sale appeared to: 1.) Ignore law re roll-back tax consideration; 2.) Ignore law re Town's Right of First Refusal – Was this because State had Option to Purchase since it was APR land?; 3.) ignore existing chapter tax liens on property; and 4.) did not offer any written affidavit where new owner signs statement of continued Chapter status. Board recommended that Bill send a certified letter to buyer, asking buyers attorney to contact Bd of Assessors regarding violations of Chapter Laws.

 - 5.) Bill reported that Peter London has requested a meeting with the board regarding recently approved abatement. Peter was not satisfied with amount abated. Board agreed to invite Peter to next mtg.

 - 6.) Jim nominated Alan as the FY2015 Chairman of the Bd of Assessors. Joe seconded. Vote was unanimous. Alan Coutinho agreed to be chair for FY2015.

 - 7.) Bill updated Board on schedule of next few weeks.

 - 8) Confirmed date of next meetings: August 11

 - 9.) Adjourned 6:46 PM
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