

SHELBURNE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Meeting Minutes November 27, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 4:31 p.m. by chair Alan Coutinho.

Board Members Present: Alan Coutinho, James Richardson, Jennifer Morse (Assistant)

Board Members Absent: Joseph Mattei

Appointment – Martin The property owner did not show at the meeting. JM explained to Jim Richardson that the property owners had applied for FY17 abatement which was denied at the last meeting. The issue is the increase in value on the property causing the 4th Quarter tax bill to be higher than the preliminary bills. JM shared with the assessors a comparable sales analysis completed and forwarded to the property owner. It was noted that the property was purchased in Feb. 2015 for \$343,750 and is currently assessed at \$342,100.

Minutes

Minutes of November 13, 2017 - Tabled to December 11, 2017 meeting

Signatures

Motor Vehicle Abatement

Rollback Tax Warrant - Sokolosky Chapter 61

Capital Request

The board reviewed and signed a letter regarding a Capital Request to upgrade the Motor Vehicle process in the Assessor's office by implementing new software. The request will be forwarded to the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee.

Tax Rate – Classification Hearing

The board reviewed and signed a letter of recommendation to the Board of Selectmen for a single tax rate for FY18. Attached documents include correspondence about why the tax rate goes up, LA4 (Valuations), LA13 (New Growth) and the LA5 (Options & Certification). JM and Alan will represent the Board of Assessors at the tax classification hearing scheduled for November 27th at 7:15 p.m.

JM shared that the Fire District tax rate was well underway and is waiting for notification that the Prudential Committee has had their tax classification hearing and the outcome of the hearing.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 4:50 p.m. Vote: 2-0

Next Meeting: December 11 at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Jennifer Morse
Assistant Assessor
November 27, 2017

Documents

1. Rollback Tax Warrant and Certificate – Sokolosky
2. Comparable Sale for 66 Colrain Shelburne Road
3. Capital Request Packet
4. Tax Classification Recommendation Packet