

Board of Assessor's Minutes
March 4, 2010

Members Present: Relf Fogg; David Stevens; and Cynthia Bickford, Assessing Technician.

Mr. Fogg called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Intent to Cut Forms

Mr. Stevens moved to process the Intent to Cut for Wakefield Tax Map 42, Lot 13; Mr. Fogg seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Mr. Fogg moved to process the Intent to Cut for Wakefield Tax Map 109, Lot 2; Mr. Stevens seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Mr. Stevens moved to process the Intent to Cut for Wakefield Tax Map 100, Lot 2; Mr. Fogg seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Current Use

The Board reviewed an "Application for Current Use" for Wakefield Tax Map 120, Lot 11, located on Stoneham Road. *Mr. Fogg moved to approve the application; Mr. Stevens seconded. Motion carried 2-0.*

Abatement 20-2010

St. John's Rectory pays taxes on the portion of the building used for the community day school. This portion of the building is taxed on both the town and county portion of the tax rate. *Mr. Fogg moved to abate \$451.00 based on taxes owed for the town and county portion of the tax rate; Mr. Stevens seconded. Motion carried 2-0.*

Tax Credits/Exemptions

Mr. Fogg moved to approve the Veteran Tax Credit for Wakefield Tax Map 197, Lot 2; Mr. Stevens seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

An application was submitted for both a Veteran Tax Credit and a Credit for Service Connected Total and Permanent Disability for Wakefield Tax Map 34, Lot 68. The letter submitted from the Department of Veterans Affairs is not specific and does not state "Total and Permanent Disability". Ms. Bickford spoke with the Department of Veterans Affairs regarding this application. The Department of Veterans Affairs confirmed the letter should state specifically "Total and Permanent Disability" in order to qualify for the tax credit. Ms. Bickford recommends sending a letter to the applicant stating the Veteran Tax Credit is approved and the applicant will need to file additional documentation in order for the Board of Assessor's to review the application for a Credit for Service Connected Total and Permanent Disability further.

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Mr. Fogg moved to take the Assessing Technicians recommendations for the tax credit application for Wakefield Tax Map 34, Lot 68 and act accordingly; Mr. Stevens seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Discussion

Discussion took place regarding an abatement filed for no lake access. In reviewing the deed and subdivision plan, it was noted a few of the lots state “not a building lot”. The Board suggested completing a little more deed research and they will revisit this at a later time.

Minutes

Mr. Stevens moved to approve the January 28, 2010 minutes as written; Mr. Fogg seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Mr. Fogg moved to approve the February 18, 2010 minutes as written; Mr. Stevens seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Adjournment

Mr. Stevens moved to adjourn at 9:37 a.m.; Mr. Fogg seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia Bickford
Assessing Technician

Approval of Minutes:

Arlene Fogg

David Stevens

Relf Fogg