

Board of Assessor's Minutes
September 1, 2010

Members Present: Arlene Fogg, Chairperson; Relf Fogg and Cynthia Bickford, Assessing Technician.

Mrs. Fogg called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Map 47, Lot 1-5A

The unit at Woodman Campground was removed during the 2007 tax year. The 2007 tax has gone to lien, the owners are refusing to pay and the outstanding balance owed is \$13.44. The Assessor's Office has changed the billing directly to the owner of the land to rectify this situation in the future. *Mr. Fogg moved to abate the \$13.44, Mrs. Fogg seconded. Motion carried 2-0.*

Map 5, Lot 39

The payment of taxes for the 1st issue tax bill was lost in the mail. The scanned check was dated May 31, 2010 and a letter from the US Postal Service dated July 30, 2010 from the USPS Mail Recovery Center indicating the mail was unable to be delivered or returned. Ms. Burns is requesting the interest accrued on the account be waived due to the mail issue.

After reviewing the documents submitted by Ms. Burns, *Mr. Fogg moved to abate the \$25.32 in interest; Mrs. Fogg seconded. Motion carried 2-0.*

Map 64, Lot 4

Rod Wood sent a letter to the Board of Assessors stating Map 64, Lot 4 should be tax exempt. The lots for which have access to the common beach lot are already assessed for water access (letter can be found in property file).

Mr. Fogg moved to approve the abatement of back taxes on Map 64, Lot 4 which is identified as a "common lot" on the recorded subdivision plan due to the fact the back lots are already assessed for water access; Mrs. Fogg seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

2011 Budget

The Board reviewed the 2011 budget to be presented to the Town Administrator later this week. The Assessing Technician had prepared a spreadsheet with explanations for certain increases and decreases.

Mr. Fogg moved to add \$1800.00 in the budget to line item 01-4152-1-130 (Assessor's Wages) in order to show appreciation for the work done by the Board of Assessor's and to add an incentive for anyone contemplating running for the position; Mrs. Fogg seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Discussion took place about the possible need of replacing the office printer. The printer's display has read "Printer Maintenance Required", in the past it was decided

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the cost of the maintenance would probably be half the cost of a replacement printer. Ms. Bickford would like to discuss this with the Selectmen since she is unsure if this is an item the Assessor's Office should budget for or would the expense fall under a technology/town hall fixture line. The Board agrees.

Mr. Fogg moved to approve the budget at an even \$111,000 (adding \$61.00) to the Assessor's Supply Line (01-4152-1-620); Mrs. Fogg seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Ms. Bickford will schedule a meeting with the Town Administrator in order to review the proposed 2011 budget.

Adjournment

Mr. Fogg moved to adjourn at 10:11 a.m.; Mrs. Fogg seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia Bickford
Assessing Technician

Approval of Minutes:

Arlene Fogg, Chairperson

David Stevens

Relf Fogg