Board of Assessors February 2, 2023

Members Present: Kenneth S Paul; Relf Fogg; Rosemary Stewart and Cynthia Bickford, Assessing Technician.

Mr. Paul called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and lead those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Appointments - None.

Unscheduled Matters/Public Comment - None.

New Business - None.

Old Business – (a) Religious, Charitable & Educational Exemptions (RSA 72:23-c). All filers of the Form BTLA A-9 in 2023 will be contacted for an appointment in order for the contracted assessor to conduct a site visit and verify information for the requested exemption. 2023 is a revaluation year and there has also been recent BTLA decisions regarding these exemptions.

<u>Correspondence</u> – (a) Assessment Review Notice. The DRA sent a notice and indicated they will contact the office to schedule a meeting to go over the requirements of assessment review as well as the project timeline. The local DRA representative indicated via email the meeting can be held with one member of the Board, the contracted assessor and the assessing technician. Mrs. Bickford asked for Boards opinion, in the past the DRA representative met with the entire board at a public meeting along with the contracted assessor and the assessing technician. The Board by consensus agreed the meeting will take place at a regular scheduled meeting.

Administrative Matters - (a) Intent to Cut Forms. None.

- (b) Timber Tax Warrants. None.
- (c) Exemptions and Tax Credits. The Board reviewed veteran tax credits for the following parcels: Map 53 Lot 13-7A; and Map 72 Lot 18. Mr. Fogg moved to approve the veterans tax credits for Map 53 Lot 13-7A and Map 72 Lot 18. Mrs. Stewart seconded the motion, which passed 3-0.

The Board reviewed an all veterans' tax credit for Map 114 Lot 9 and Map 132 Lot 4. Mr. Fogg moved to approve the all veterans' tax credit for Map 114 Lot 9 and Map 132 Lot 4. Mrs. Stewart seconded the motion, which passed 3-0.

(d) Abatements. Map 47 Lot 1 Site 45. The owner of the RV on site 45 has filed for an abatement and has supplied a valid registration for the past three years for the unit (the registration(s) proved the RV had a valid registration on April 1). The owner indicated they provided the registration to the campground owner; but the registration was never provided to the office. Ms. Bickford explained there are two abatement forms to sign: the owner paid the first issue bill in the amount of \$119.18 which will

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be refunded; the second abatement is in the amount of \$115.00 and will abate the 2022 second issue tax bill. Mr. Fogg moved to approve the abatements for Map 47 Lot 1 Site 45. Mrs. Stewart seconded the motion, which passed 3-0.

(e) Board Minutes – December 29, 2022 Minutes. Mr. Fogg moved to approve the minutes of the December 29, 2022 meeting with any amendments offered. There being no amendments offered, Mrs. Stewart seconded the motion, the motion passed 3-0.

(g) Next Meeting Date. February 23, 2023

<u>Unscheduled Matters/Public Comment</u> – Discussion took place regarding the increases in both the town and school operating budgets for 2023 and 2023 is a revaluation year. The town operating budget has increased by \$1,225,327 and the school operating budget has increased \$1,264,618 an overall increase of \$2,489,945 for these two entities. These numbers do not include any additional warrant articles. The discussion then turned to other items including school projects and the multi generational building going before the voters this year.

Mrs. Bickford will be attending deliberative session and will speak on behalf of the warrant articles if needed. Howie Knight has confirmed he will speak on behalf of the warrant article addressing the elderly exemption.

Non-Public Session RSA 91-A:3 II. None.

<u>Adjournment</u> – There being no further business, Mr. Paul moved to adjourn at 8:25 a.m. Mr. Fogg seconded the motion, the motion passed 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted, Cynthia Bickford Assessing Technician	
Approval of Minutes:	
Kenneth S Paul, Chairperson	Rosemary Stewart
Relf Fogg	