

**Board of Assessors
February 22, 2018**

Members Present: Dennis Tyler, Chairperson; Kenneth Paul; Relf Fogg; and Cynthia Bickford, Assessing Technician.

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

Also present: Rosemary Stewart; and Donna Martin, videotaping. Connie Twombly joined the meeting in session at 8:05 a.m.

1. Appointments – None.

2.. Unscheduled Matters/Public Comment – None.

3. New Business – Assessing Statistical Update Contract. The contract has been forwarded to the DRA for their review. The full field review is discussed on page 10 of the contract and this section is contingent upon funding approval.

Mr. Fogg asked for clarification on the total amount of the contract. The contract for the statistical update is in the amount of \$25,000 with an optional full field review in the amount of \$20,000.

4. Old Business – None.

5. Correspondence – (a) Letter from the Assessing Standards Board (ASB). The ASB read the letter from the Board of Assessors regarding the opposition of HB324, the letter has been entered into the record.

(b) Intent to Cut Forms. The Board reviewed a Supplemental Intent to Cut for Map 160, Lot(s) 1 and 3; Map 161, Lot 2; and Map 151, Lot 2. Mr. Fogg moved to approve the supplemental intent to cut. Mr. Paul seconded the motion, which passed 3-0.

The Board reviewed an Intent to Cut for Map 47, Lot 32; the Board had approved an intent for the abutting parcel last month which is just north of Route 110 and Route 153. Mr. Tyler moved to approve the Intent to Cut for Map 47, Lot 32. Mr. Fogg seconded the motion, which passed 3-0.

(c) Exemptions/Tax Credits. The Board reviewed the following tax credits: Standard Veterans' Tax Credit for Map 165, Lot 42; All Veterans' Tax Credit for Map 73, Lot 28; All Veterans' Tax Credit for Map 53, Lot 20. Mr. Fogg moved to approve the Standard Veteran Tax Credit and the two All Veteran Tax Credits previously mentioned. Mr. Tyler seconded the motion, which passed 3-0.

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The Board reviewed a Blind Exemption for Map 98, Lot 6. Mr. Fogg moved to approve the Blind Exemption. Mr. Paul seconded the motion, which passed 3-0. Ms. Bickford indicated in order to qualify for the exemption the applicant must have a letter from the State of NH Department of Education.

The Board reviewed the requalification of an existing Elderly Exemption. Each recipient is asked to file the worksheet annually in order to verify asset and income information. Mr. Tyler move to approve the requalification for the exemption. Mr. Paul seconded the motion, which passed 3-0.

(d) Abatements. The Board reviewed an Abatement Application for Map 98, Lot 5. The owner wanted the notations of "picked up pool – no permit on file" removed from the note field on the assessment card. The homeowner purchased the home with the pool and has since replaced the liner. Mr. Wood met with the owner on site and adjusted the condition factor and added "under construction" for the house being under renovation, indicating most of the home is unlivable. The value of the home was reduced from \$143,100 to \$142,400 which calculates to \$9.00 in taxes. Mr. Tyler moved to approve the abatement. Mr. Fogg seconded the motion, which passed 3-0.

The following items came in after the agenda was posted and therefore were not on the agenda....

(d) Intent to Excavate – Map 47, Lot 29. Mary Pinkham-Langer has been involved with this site. To date there is no plan on file, the owner has not met with the Planning Board and therefore, there is no way to determine what elevation they are excavating at this time and what the final grade will be when the excavation is complete. Mary Pinkham-Langer suggested that if the Board approves the intent they indicate they have the right to rescind the Board's signatures for non-compliance of RSA 155-E and/or RSA 485-a:17. Based on the fact there is no plan on file the Board cannot determine whether the excavation site is considered "incidental" or if the landowner be required to file a Site Plan Review. Mr. Paul's initial thought is this is a Code Enforcement issue, it's either a permitted activity or a violation. Mr. Fogg moved to table the item. Mr. Paul agrees and believes Code Enforcement should be taking a look at the activity. Mr. Fogg is not against signing the intent once proper permitting and documents are in place. Mr. Tyler seconded the motion on the table, which passed 3-0.

(e) Timber Tax Warrant - Map 179, Lot 70. Mr. Fogg moved to approve the Timber Tax Warrant in the amount of \$1,357.05. Mr. Tyler seconded the motion, which passed 3-0.

6. Administrative Matters. (a) Non-Public Board Minutes January 18, 2018. Mr. Paul moved to approve the Non-Public minutes of January 18, 2018. Mr. Tyler seconded the motion, which passed 3-0.

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Mr. Tyler moved to approve the minutes of the public session of January 18, 2018. Mr. Fogg seconded the motion, which passed 3-0.

7. Unscheduled Matters/Public Comment – None.

8. Adjournment – There being no further business, Mr. Tyler moved to adjourn at 8:25 a.m. Mr. Paul seconded the motion, which passed 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted,



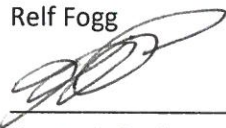
Cynthia Bickford
Assessing Technician

Approval of Minutes:



Dennis Tyler, Chairperson

Relf Fogg



Kenneth Paul

