



TOWN OF EASTHAM
EASTHAM BOARD OF ASSESSORS
Minutes of July 7, 2022 Meeting
Small Meeting Room, Eastham Town Hall

Present: Board members Dave Hobbs, Wendy Walsh, Denise Kopasz (remote)
Principal Assessor Colleen Mercurio, Field Appraiser Alexandra Peterson

This meeting was held in-person at the location provided on this notice. Members of the public are welcome to attend this in-person meeting.

Dave Hobbs called the Session of the Board of Assessors to order at 11:01 a.m. Roll call was taken. Denise Kopasz-Aye, Wendy Walsh- Aye

Regular and executive Minutes from May 5, 2022 and June 2, 2022:

Mr. Hobbs made a motion to defer the regular minutes from June 2, 2022, as not enough members who were present at that meeting were in attendance. Denise Kopasz seconded. The vote was unanimous to defer the regular and executive session minutes from 6/2/22. Dave Hobbs made a motion to approve the minutes from May 5, 2022. Ms. Kopasz seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Director's Update:

Ms. Mercurio notified the board that the Motor Vehicle Commitment 3 will be sent out after July 1st. Ms. Mercurio also notified them that the PK adjustment of the sales was in process and that the final numbers will be presented at the next meeting. Mr. Hobbs asked a question regarding on the impact of location on value and Ms Mercurio explained that adjustments will be made based on sales with similar locations.

Mr. Hobbs inquired about the tax status of condos in progress, and Ms. Mercurio said that we are going by the January 1, 2022 date. She noted that all exemption applications were mailed out.

The director talked about the water loan betterment progress, with the applications being recorded with the county by the Water Department. Ms. Mercurio explained that our role is to apportion the betterments on the bills. Ms. Kopasz inquired about transfer of ownership when a betterment exists. Ms. Mercurio said she will follow up with the Tax Collector to ensure nothing gets overlooked.

Ms. Mercurio discussed the Town Center Plaza situation. She emailed Vicky Marsh from KP Law office, and Ms. Marsh is looking into it. Laurie Gillespie-Lee also emailed Ms. Marsh on 5/25/22 and 6/17/22. We are still waiting for the check. Ms. Mercurio also notified the board that she is still waiting for the Select Board to request an abatement.

Ms. Mercurio talked about the exemption process, and that the COA's role is only to assist with putting together the package. Ms. Kopasz asked Ms. Mercurio to check if 17D had been adopted and if it has not, to clarify the process to do so. Denise Kopasz also asked to decide at the next meeting if Clause 41C applications that are denied can automatically be approved for Clause 17.

Ms. Mercurio clarified the impact of the estimated 25% increase on the tax rate.

The format of the exemption approval process was brought into question by Ms. Kopasz, and Ms. Mercurio said that we will move forward with the existing process.

At 11:50 am- Ms. Walsh made a motion to adjourn the session. Mr. Hobbs seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by Colleen Mercurio, Principal Assessor

Approved on: August 11, 2022
Date

By: W. Davis Hobbs
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