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REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS FREETOWN TOWN HALL, OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2016, 5:30 PM

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Sheila Scaduto at 5:30 PM. In attendance were Ms. Scaduto and Michael Motta. Also in attendance was Karen M. Mello, Asst. Assr. Suzanne Parker was absent.

In Open Session, the Board reviewed and signed a bill schedule and payroll report as well and a Septic Betterment Warrant.

As the Board had no other business to be conducted in Open Session, Sheila Scaduto called for a motion "To consider the value of Real Estate" (reason # 6) for the purpose of reviewing abatement applications where information is considered confidential and not open to public inspection under MGL Chapter 59 section 60. Michael Motta made the motion and by necessity Sheila seconded. The motion carried with both members voting 'Aye".

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM.

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Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Mello, Asst. Assr.

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In Executive Session the Board reviewed an Appellate Tax Board case filed by Campanelli Freetown LLC for 2 fiscal years. The property at issue is known as Map 233 Lot 4 and contains 79.62 ac. of land. The assessed value for FY14 was \$726,100 and for FY15 was \$734,000.

The Town legal counsel Atty. Jeffrey Blake had been in contact with the attorney for Campanelli Freetown LLC. Atty. Mark Witkin had offered a figure for the Town to consider for settlement of the case. Atty. Witkin offered a value of \$650,000 for each year.

The Board discussed the possible reduction and voted unanimously to counter the offer with a value reduction for each year of \$10,000 which would bring FY14 down to \$715,100 and FY15 to \$724,000. They made the counter offer contingent upon the taxpayer waiving any interest that might have accrued on the overpayment.

Karen was asked to contact Jeff Blake to convey the counter offer and the interest stipulation which she did immediately. He said he would convey the counter offer and inform us as soon as he had an answer.

Having no further business to conduct the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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