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REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS
FREETOWN TOWN HALL, OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS
SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 2018, 11:00 AM

The meeting was called to order by Sheila Scaduto, Chairman. Assessors, Sheila Scaduto and Michael Motta were present as was Karen Mello, Asst. Assessor. Suzanne Parker was absent.

All discussions and decisions were held in Open Session.

The Board reviewed and approved abatement reports and a payroll schedule.

The Board was advised by Ms. Mello that an account that is in Tax Title needs attention. The parcel known as Map 245 Lot 82, on County Rd. has been in arrears for a couple of decades. A review of old records indicate that as early as 1968 there was confusion regarding ownership. Karen advised the Board that over the years, several attempts to identify and correct the name of the rightful assessed owner may have complicated the matter even more.

Additionally, conversion from one tax file program to another made it more difficult to correct mistakes in ownership. Karen, as well as the Town Treasurer believe that it may be necessary to request special authority from the Department of Revenue (8/58) to abate all the old years' taxes and reassess those taxes to the name of the Estate of Mary Brogan, whom it is now believed was the rightful owner of the property.

The attorney who assists the Town in processing Tax Title cases advises that this is the first step in correcting and restoring the Town's ability to take the property.

The Board instructed Ms. Mello to contact the DOR, explain the matter and follow whatever instructions they deem necessary.

The meeting adjourned at 12:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Mello

Karen M. Mello, Asst. Assr.
Freetown Board of Assessors