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Freetown Board of Assessors
Minutes of Tuesday, January 11, 2022
Virtual Meeting – Zoom.us

Present: Mike Motta and Jeff Field were present via Zoom. Paul Sadeck was present at the Town Hall.

Absent: None.

Call to order: Meeting called to order at 2:04 p.m. In conformance with these orders, all votes taken during this meeting were by roll call. The meeting was recorded by Mr. Sadeck.

Approval of Minutes

- A motion was made by Mr. Field, seconded by Mr. Sadeck, to approve the minutes of November 22, 2021. The motion carried unanimously.
- A motion was made by Mr. Field, seconded by Mr. Sadeck, to approve the minutes of December 9, 2021. The motion carried 2-0-1, with Mr. Motta abstaining.

Old Business

- The Assistant Assessor reported that he has been working to input Ellen Blanchard's data and revisions for the Crystal Springs properties. Once the input is complete, Mrs. Blanchard will come in to check and verify the information is correct.

New Business

- Discussion was held on revising the assessment for Copart at 170 South Main Street, Assonet. The bills issued for quarters three and four of FY22 did not include two Algonquin-era buildings. The difference in value is \$182,100.00 and the difference in tax is \$3,743.98. A motion was made by Mr. Sadeck, seconded by Mr. Field, to issue a revised bill for the difference (\$3,743.98). The motion carried unanimously.
- Although requiring no action at this time, the Assessors took note of two properties being removed from Chapter 61B, one being a portion of the property at 19 Flagg Swamp Road in East Freetown and the other being the whole of the George D. Williams Lot in Assonet.

Any Other Business Properly Before the Board

It was noted that the office has been partially painted. Painting is being conducted by the first applicant under the Veterans Tax Work-off Program.

Executive Session

The Assistant Assessor announced that the case of SunRaise Investments, LLC vs. Board of Assessors of the Town of Freetown had been dismissed. There were no updates on the remaining cases, and no charitable exemption applications, so only agenda item 6a was required.

A motion was made by Mr. Sadeck, seconded by Mr. Field, to enter into executive session to comply with the provisions of any general or special law; specifically, to discuss Real Estate and Personal Property abatement

applications which are not open to public inspection (per M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 60) and to return to open session afterward. When polled, the members voted as follows: Field – Aye, Motta – Aye, Sadeck – Aye.

Results of Executive Session

Results of decisions made were announced as follows:

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| #001 6 Nevada Avenue, Assonet | Granted, with a reduction in value of personal property to \$2,500.00 and a reduction in personal property tax of \$367.82. |
| #002 10 Huron Avenue, East Freetown | Granted, with a complete reduction in value of personal property and a complete reduction of personal property tax (property was not subject to taxation). |
| #003 245 Middleboro Road, East Freetown | Granted, with a reduction in value of personal property to \$1,000.00 and a reduction in personal property tax of \$276.74. |

Meeting Adjourned

A motion was made by Mr. Field, seconded by Mr. Motta, to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 2:31 p.m.

This is a True Record by me.

Attest: _____
Assistant Assessor