

Freetown Board of Assessors
Minutes of Thursday, June 22, 2023
Virtual Meeting – Zoom.us

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Present: Paul Sadeck was present at the Town Hall. Jeff Field was present via Zoom.

Absent: Mike Motta.

Call to order: Meeting called to order at 3:00 p.m. The meeting was recorded by Mr. Sadeck.
All votes taken during this meeting were by roll call.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Field, seconded by Mr. Sadeck, to approve the minutes of June 8, 2023, both Open and Executive sessions, but not to release the Executive Session minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

A motion was made by Mr. Field, seconded by Mr. Sadeck, to sign the PILOT agreement for the solar farm at 23 Braley Road, East Freetown. The motion carried unanimously and the PILOT agreement was signed. Mr. Motta will be contacted to sign as soon as possible.

New Business

This item was passed over until after the Executive Session.

Any Other Business Properly Before the Board

- ♦ The Assistant Assessor briefly discussed Bill H.2751 currently before the legislature, which would remove all question of requiring forms such as the Form of List to be filed electronically, and added that this would be a welcome and bolstering addition to the continued push for eliminating paper forms.
- ♦ Interviews will be held early in July for new clerical positions within the Town Hall, including in this office due to Deanna Hayes' upcoming promotion.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Mr. Field, seconded by Mr. Sadeck, to enter into executive session to comply with the provisions of any general or special law; specifically, to discuss strategy with respect to litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the government's litigating position, namely Ernest & Mary Lou Frias vs. Board of Assessors of the Town of Freetown; and to return to open session afterward. When polled, the members voted as follows: Field – Aye, Motta – Absent, Sadeck – Aye.

The meeting entered Executive Session at 3:27 and returned to Open Session at 3:30 p.m.

New Business

Discussion was held on the authorizations for having a single signature on bills and payrolls for the upcoming fiscal year, as the current authorizations will be expiring on June 30th. A motion was made by Mr. Field,

seconded by Mr. Sadeck, to continue to allow a single signature on payroll only for the year ensuing. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned

A motion was made by Mr. Field, seconded by Mr. Sadeck, to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

This is a True Record by me.

Attest: _____
Assistant Assessor