



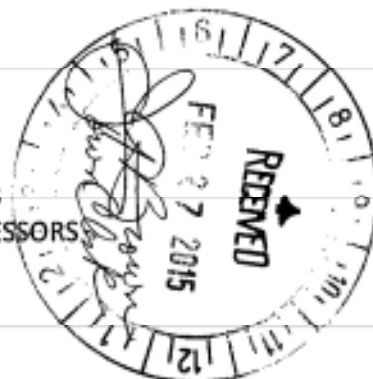
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REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS
FREETOWN TOWN HALL, OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS
MONDAY FEBRUARY 23, 2015, 5:30 PM



The meeting was called to order at 5:45 PM. Sheila Scaduto, Chairman, and Suzanne Parker were present. Michael Motta was absent due to a scheduling conflict. Karen Mello, Asst. Assr., was also present.

Open Session

The Board reviewed and signed several documents, including the staff payroll, the board payroll, an Auto Excise warrant and commitment, and RE and PP abatement reports.

At 6:00PM the Board met with Gilbert Pontes who asked for an explanation of two forms that had recently been sent to all owners of "mixed use" and commercial/industrial properties. The Board explained why the Income and Expense Report as well as the Form of List declaration were sent and how the assessors use the information. He was also advised that, according to Massachusetts General Law, all the information provided is considered private and NOT open to public inspection. When he left, his concerns seemed to be answered.

Finding that there was no more business to be handled on Open Session, Sheila Scaduto called for a motion and Suzanne Parker made a motion that the Board convene Executive Session for reason #6..."To consider.... the value of real estate, if the chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body" and Reason #7..."To comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law...". Abatement applications and the information they contain are not open to public inspection. With only 2 members present, the vote was 2-0 in favor of convening Executive Session.

At the conclusion of Executive Session there were no votes regarding abatement applications to read into the public record and the meeting was adjourned at 7:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Mello, Asst. Assr.