

TOWN OF FREETOWN

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS FREETOWN TOWN HALL, OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2015, 5:30 PM

Sheila Scaduto, Chairman, Suzanne Parker, Michael Motta, Assessors and Karen Mello, Asst. Assessor were present to begin the meeting.

The entire meeting was held in Open Session.

Karen Mello informed the Board of circumstances that had recently become known regarding an old tax title account from 1991 for property at 45 Point of Pines Rd., E. Freetown as well as the opinion of staff from Kopelman & Paige regarding the viability of the tax title and the ability of the Town to effect collection.

She advised the Board that since the time frame for granting an abatement had long expired, the only option, if the Board agreed with the opinion of Town Counsel, was to request from the DOR, special authority under MGL Ch. 58 § 8 to grant the abatement of \$269.08 as well as all interest and penalties that had accrued over the years.

Since it was clear in Town Counsel's opinion that the Town has no standing and would not prevail in Land Court, the Board voted unanimously in favor of requesting the authority needed to abate the tax and fees.

Having no other business, the meeting adjourned at 6:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Mello, Asst. Assr.

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