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REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS
FREETOWN TOWN HALL, OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS
SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 2018, 10:00 AM

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

A later review of the minutes showed that no Executive Session had been invoked. Therefore, all votes occurred in Public Session and are reported as such.

The Board reviewed the following abatements:

1. 102 Narrows Rd., Assonet Map 212 Lot 29 No Decision

Just prior to meeting at Town Hall, the Assessors performed a field inspection at the property address. Upon returning to the office and calling the meeting to order, Mike Motta and Suzanne Parker discussed the condition of the premises including condition and deferred maintenance. While the property is impressive from the street, both assessors were concerned at the condition of the interior as well as certain systems that may not be functioning properly. Suzanne indicated that she would like to have the experience of Sheila Scaduto before making a decision on this property. Mike Motta agreed and that the matter was set aside without a vote.

2. 13 Estelle Av., E. Freetown Map 103 Lot 68 Granted

The property in question is still uninhabitable even though some progress has been made from Fiscal 2017 to Fiscal 2018. The Board is encouraged by the building of a new foundation but also acknowledge that there is no electricity tie in. Mike Motta made a motion to grant a 25% discount on the building only and only for one year. Suzanne seconded the motion and called for the vote. Both Michael and Suzanne voted to grant the limited abatement.

3. 17 Bullock Rd., E. Freetown Map 239 Lot 27 Granted

The property owners provided wetland maps to indicate that more than 85% of the land is wet and therefore unbuildable. Furthermore, they are negotiating with the Town to sell the land for a price which representative of wetlands pricing. Suzanne Parker made a motion to grant the abatement at 85% of the assessed value. Mike Motta seconded the motion and by 2-0 margin the motion passed to grant the abatement of value in the amount of \$86,000.

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Mello

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Freetown Board of Assessors