

TOWN OF FREETOWN

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS
FREETOWN TOWN HALL, OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2014, 5:00 PM

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM. Sheila Scaduto, Chairman and Suzanne Ashley-Parker were present. Karen Mello, Asst. Assr. was also present. Board member Michael Motta was absent.

Open Session

The meeting was informal in nature.

No motions were made nor, votes taken.

The purpose of the meeting was to assemble packets of information and familiarize the Board members with all the documents that were intended to be presented to the Board of Selectmen at the Classification Hearing scheduled for 6:00 PM on the same evening and highlight points the Board felt should be mentioned.

At 5:40, the Board closed the meeting to reconvene before the Selectmen's meeting.

The Board presented its information, and the Selectmen chose a factor of 1.43 for CIP properties. The classification hearing concluded at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Mello, Asst. Assr.

CLASSIFICATION HEARING PRESENTATION

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The Board of Assessors is happy to provide the Board of Selectman with the statistical information to assist the Board in your determination of tax classification for our Town for fiscal 2015.

You should have 3 items:

Classification Hearing Sheet, which has compares last year's values with the new fiscal year values, and lists the difference in tax dollars, and difference in percentage, for the average single family property, two family property, and commercial property.

Historic Shifts and Resulting Tax Rates, which is a list of the chosen shift, and resulting tax rates since 1991.

What if Scenario Worksheet, which lists the tax burden for all classes of property, beginning with a single rate, which if chosen, would be approximately 14.33 per thousand, up to a maximum shift of 1.5, which would be a residential rate of approximately 12.67 per thousand, and a CIP rate of 21.50 per thousand.

Fiscal 2015 is Triennial Certification Year for the Town.

Each year, by state law, all cities and towns within the state of Massachusetts must do interim adjustments.

Fiscal 2015 values are calculated from the analysis of qualified sales that occurred during calendar year 2013.

Values are developed by performing analysis of the sales by classification, style, age, size, location, neighborhood etc.

The Department of Revenue then reviews and certifies the values.

Note: The Town of Freetown chose a shift of 1.43 for fiscal 2014.

Note: Town of Freetown has chosen a shift of 1.45 for eight years prior to fiscal 2014.

The fiscal 2015 levy increased by 7.5%

Overall, the Value of the Town increased by 4.4%

Residential values increased by 3.2%.

Commercial, industrial, and personal property values increased approximately 9.8%.

The fiscal 2015 new growth is \$617,368.

\$162,600 from the residential class \$16,514 from commercial class \$383,652 from the industrial class \$54,602 from personal property

Please note that for fiscal 2015 there is an excess levy capacity. The excess levy capacity will be approximately \$332,502.38.

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SMALL COMMERCIAL EXEMPTION

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BLA : Chap 200

Tax Rate Submission

BLA - Chap 3

Options Table

Summary

Preliminary Levy Limit
BLA/BOA Assignments
(cities/towns)
BLA Certification Directives

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