

**ASSESSORS**

KEVIN E. TAUGHER, Chair  
 THOMAS R. REIDY, Clerk  
 LYNN MASSON, Member

MELISSA L. COUTURE RIMBOLD, Associate Assessor  
 MAUREEN CRONIN, Assistant to Associate Assessor

June 13, 2022

Minutes of meeting of June 13, 2022. Meeting was held virtually. Meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. Present at meeting were Mr. Kevin Taugher, Ms. Lynn Masson, Mr. Thomas Reidy, and Mrs. Melissa Couture Rimbold.

**Minutes:**

Ms. Masson made a motion to accept the minutes from the meeting of May 9, 2022, as written. Mr. Reidy seconded the motion. Vote taken by roll call: Masson, aye; Reidy, aye; Taugher, aye. Motion passes 3-0.

Ms. Masson made a motion to accept the minutes from the meeting of May 9, 2022, Executive Session (ES2022ABT5), as written. Mr. Reidy seconded the motion. Vote taken by roll call: Masson, aye; Reidy, aye; Taugher, aye. Motion passes 3-0.

**Bills Payable:**

Mrs. Couture Rimbold presented the board with the following bills for payment:

- NE Archives, \$110.00, half of annual storage fee.

Ms. Masson made a motion to approve the bills payable as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Reidy. Vote taken by roll call: Masson, aye; Reidy, aye; Taugher, aye. Motion passes 3-0.

**Old Business:**

Mr. Taugher provided an update regarding the clarification sought regarding MPIC task G2-23 about taxing asphalt versus concrete driveway installations. He indicated the information provided at the Annual Town Meeting led to enlightenment on a possible future stormwater district. He indicated our task was still on the list within the documentation for the Master Plan. Mr. Taugher asked if there is a possible meeting set up for the fall. Mrs. Couture Rimbold stated based on meetings she has watched; November 4<sup>th</sup> has been stated to be a meeting for all parties involved in the master plan however she has not received any official notification. Ms. Masson asked if we currently record paving for commercial properties. Mrs. Couture Rimbold stated we do.

**New Business:**

Mrs. Couture Rimbold provided the board with the monthly abatement reports for May. She stated there are four (4) reports as follows:

- 2022 motor vehicle excise, 61 transactions totaling \$6,960.21
- 2021 motor vehicle, 8 transactions totaling \$573.15
- 2020 motor vehicle excise, 1 transaction totaling \$57.08
- 2022 boat excise, 2 transactions totaling \$47.67

Ms. Masson made a motion to approve the monthly abatement reports for May as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Reidy. Vote taken by roll call: Masson, aye; Reidy, aye; Taugher, aye; Motion passes 3-0.

Mrs. Couture Rimbold informed the board that she and the Town Accountant have discussed voting excess overlay to overlay surplus. She went on to discuss the overlay account and it's make up as well as the balance. The Town Accountant reviewed the overlay and requested that the Assessor's vote \$150,000 as excess overlay. Ms. Masson made a motion to release \$150,000 in excess overlay to overlay surplus. Motion seconded by Mr. Reidy. Further clarification on the overlay account was discussed. Vote taken by roll call: Masson, aye; Reidy, aye; Taugher, aye. Motion passes 3-0.

Mrs. Couture Rimbold stated that the preliminary analysis for fiscal 2023 valuations are complete. She stated that the market indicators are showing that valuations will again increase. This is based on the calendar year 2021 sales. She discussed that the increases are approximately as follows:

- Single family 10%
- Condominiums 6%
- Two family 13%
- Three family 15%

The board discussed the market as well as the level of assessment that we strive to reach and why. The standards and regulations were discussed as well. In summary, a global increase of about 10% will work for improved residential properties other than condominiums which is about 6%.

Associate Assessor report:

- 5/23, PBE review with Town Administrator (review with staff done previous week)
- 5/25, Attended DLS webinar – How to Value a Massachusetts Town for Taxation

Upcoming:

- 6/14, Office closure – we are a vendor at the COA Health Fair, Aging in Place
- 6/21-24, Will be attending the MAAO Summer Conference in Plymouth
- Office update regarding tax billing/need for signatures and staff schedule including office closures.

Meeting Schedule:

Mrs. Couture Rimbold informed the board that she would be in touch regarding the next meeting.

Other Business:

none

Adjournment:

Ms. Masson made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Reidy seconded the motion. Vote taken by roll call: Masson, aye; Reidy, aye; Taugher, aye. Motion passes 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
 Melissa L. Couture Rimbold  
 Associate Assessor

List of documents reviewed during meeting

Minutes	Minutes Files (vault)
Bills Payable	Assistant to the Associate Assessor files
May monthly reports	Report files (vault)