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TOWN OF LUNENBURG
BOARD OF ASSESSORS
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Minutes from the Board of Assessors meeting held: January 13, 2015

The meeting opened at 5:45 pm. Present: Board Members, Matt Papini, Sr., Christopher Comeau, Regional Assessor Harald Scheid and Louise Paquette, Administrative Assistant. Chairman, Louis Franco was not present.

Board reviewed and approved December 2, 2014 minutes, current expense vouchers, abatements, warrants, commitments & payroll.

Louise reported that the Actual FY15 Real Estate and Personal Property bills were mailed on December 26, 2014. She reported that 185 PP bills were committed in the amount of \$606,744.48 and 5055 RE bills (including exempts) totaled \$20,397,163.82. Tax rate for FY15 is \$18.32.

Harald presented five RE abatement applications; four ^{of} which were prepared by the office due to administrative errors. Harald explained that the DOR had a flaw in their cost tables which affected the values for three properties with concrete block foundations and the remaining two applications had incorrect data. The Board reviewed and granted the abatements totaling \$15,126.82 on the following:

	Map/Lot	Bill Number	Tax Abated	Abatement #
VINCENT, SHARON 53 OAK AVE	060-033	#27	\$1,436.29	2015151
MURPHY, FAMILY TRUST 73 PENINSULA DR.	029-028	#3249	\$5,937.51	2015152
PROIETTI, MICHAEL & GLORIA 38 PIERCE AVE	113-052	#3294	\$2,564.60	2015153
AHO, WILLIAM & NANCY 191 SUMMER ST	117-038	#4114	\$5,133.26	2015154
HOLDEN,, JR., DAVID & CATHERINE 465 MULPUS RD	146-003	#2743	\$54.96	2015155

5 Parcels \$15,126.82 Total Abated

Chapter Application Reviews & Approvals:

- (1) Chapter 61B: 210 Island Rd (Map 23, Lot 24) BOA reviewed revised application. Harald explained that he met with the applicant of Hickory Hills Landowners, Inc. prior to the meeting and the application was revised and states as follows: 1) recreational land open to public; 2) restricted – recreational use includes snow mobiles, hiking, cross country skiing, horse-back riding and nature observation. BOA granted application. Harald will notify them of the Boards' decision and prepare lien.

- (2) Chapter 61B: Drumm, William, 255 Sunny Hill Rd (Map 92, Lot 35) Application indicated that he wishes to increase the acreage in Chapter from 21.59 acres to 25.59 acres. BOA reviewed and granted the increase of acreage. Harald to notify Mr. Dunn of decision and request check for recording.

BOA reviewed and approved the remaining three Chapter 61B applications and one Chapter 61A application. Harald spoke to the BOA regarding a Chapter 61B application for property located at 422 Mulpus Road. The application indicates agricultural use not recreational. He stated that he will contact property owner and suggest that the chapter classification be changed to 61A. He also stated that whether or not the property owner intends to transfer from 61B to 61A, he will need to record a new chapter lien under the name of the trust. (The current lien is listed under his "deceased" parents' names).

Louise reported that 474 Personal Property Forms of List have been prepared and mailed.

Harald presented an update of the FY16 proposed budget detail spreadsheet which was forwarded to him by the Town Manager. The total Assessor's Administration budget target is \$148,361.00. The target budget is what the Town Manager anticipates for the funding of the department for FY16 at the current revenue levels. Louise explained that the expenditure does not include the possible increases for the Assistant Assessor & Admin Clerical salary administrative line items

The Board voted to meet next on Tuesday, February 3, 2015 at 5:45 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Louise Paquette
Administrative Assistant
Office of the Board of Assessors