

Charlemont Board of Assessors Meeting Minutes

Date: April 8, 2009

Present: Carol A. Rice, Michael E. Kane and Andrea Santos

The meeting was convened at: 6:30 p.m.

The Board reviewed and approved the minutes of the Assessors' meetings on February 25, 2009 and April 1st, 2009.

A monthly list of abated Motor Vehicle Excise for fiscal year 2008 in the month of February for the amount of \$157.81 was voted and signed by the Board. A monthly list for Motor Vehicle Excise for fiscal year 2009 in month of March for \$0.00 was voted and signed by the Board.

A monthly list for Real Estate and Personal Property abatements in fiscal year 2009 for the month of February in the amount of \$300 was voted and signed by the Board. A monthly list for Real Estate and Personal Property abatements in fiscal year 2005 for the month of March in the amount of \$16.94 was voted and signed by the Board. A monthly list for Real Estate and Personal Property abatements in fiscal year 2006 for the month of March in the amount of \$83.02 was voted and signed by the Board. A monthly list for Real Estate and Personal Property abatements in fiscal year 2007 for the month of March in the amount of \$123.99 was voted and signed by the Board. A monthly list for Real Estate and Personal Property abatements in fiscal year 2009 for the month of March in the amount of \$1000 was voted and signed by the Board. A personal exemption application from a resident was denied due to income guidelines.

An abatement for a property that was in tax title and has been foreclosed on by the town was approved. The Board of Assessors discussed presenting the Board of Selectmen with a warrant article that would increase the minimum assessment of personal property. The Board of Assessors were read all recommendations from the consultant on abatements filed for fiscal year 2009. All abatements will be tabled until the next meeting. The Board of Assessors voted to use the excise depreciation schedule for all camper assessment in the future. Appointments with two town residents for walkthroughs are scheduled for the weekend.

The office phone bill was approved in the amount of \$38.05. A question from a caller regarding the commercial restriction on tax maps was referred to the tax mapping company. Progress on pending camper inspection appointments was relayed to the Board. The Board voted to send our current list of camper owners to the campgrounds as a certified letter. The Board of Assessors noted our new informational table in the hallway and our new locking office cabinet. A ballot from Massachusetts Municipal Assessors Association was received and voted.

All publications and advertisements were reviewed and filed.

The next meeting with the Board of Selectmen will be on Tuesday, April 14, 2009 at 7:15

The meeting was adjourned at: 9:30 p.m.

The next meeting will be held April 22, 2009

Respectfully submitted,

Bree Stegner, Secretary