

Charlemont Board of Assessors Meeting Minutes

Date: July 9, 2008

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

The meeting was convened at: 3:00 p.m.

The Board met to discuss the impact of the switch from semi-annual billing to quarterly billing. Feedback from the tax payers has been primarily concerning the change in personal exemption and when the exemption is credited to the tax bill. As it stands, the exemption is not credited until the actual bills. The Assessors referred to the Department of Revenue's quarterly billing manual and discussed alternative options to crediting the bill in January. It was decided that more information was needed on the matter and the issue has been tabled until such information is available. Upon legal clarification, the Assessors will reconvene to discuss the findings.

The Assessors took action on a Motor Vehicle Excise Abatement in the amount of \$24.46. The Board reviewed the preliminary Real Estate ASR that was submitted by the Assessors' consultant. The information was filed for use in the setting of the tax rate for FY2009.

The meeting was adjourned at: 5:30 p.m.

The next meeting will be held July 16, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

Bree Stegner

Secretary