

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Town of Lenox

ASSESSOR'S MEETING MINUTES February 2, 2023 @ 11:00am Town Hall: 6 Walker St. Lenox, MA 01240

Board Members: Thomas Romeo, Chairman

Wayne Lemanski, Board Member Jaimy Messana, Board Member Heather Durant, Assessors' Clerk

1. Tom Romeo called the meeting to order at 11:00am

- 2. Two Residents joined the meeting to discuss previously submitted abatement applications. Separately both residents presented photos and mapping as supporting documentation to their application. The Board members and residents had an open discussion about the condition of their properties. The additional documents will be submitted to the consultants for further review.
- 3. The Board voted to grant 3 personal property abatements. Two applications were presented with evidence of primary residency and one notice of a business closure. Additionally, 2 real estate abatements were granted, a survey supported an acreage change for one location and the removal of a pool for the other.
 - The Board briefly discussed the remaining real estate and personal property abatements. Applications will be reviewed with consultants and inspection appointments will be scheduled accordingly. Applicants are encouraged to attend board meetings and submit photos or supporting documents if they wish. Further discussion will continue at subsequent meetings.
- 4. Motion made by Wayne, seconded by Jaimy to approve the meeting minutes from December 19, 2022.
- 5. Motion made by Jaimy, seconded by Wayne to approve the Fiscal Year 2023 motor vehicle warrant and commitment #1 as presented.
- 6. Motion made by Tom, seconded by Wayne to approve the Fiscal Year 2022 motor vehicle warrant and commitment #6 & #7 as presented.
- 7. Motion made by Wayne, seconded by Tom to approve the monthly motor vehicle tax abatements as presented. One application was denied due to the active registration for entire calendar year.
- 8. Motion made by Tom, seconded by Wayne to deny senior exemption certificate due to being over the allotted asset limit.
- 9. The Board reviewed a letter from the Department of Veteran Affairs presented from a Disabled Veteran. This letter stated a 100% permanent disability. The Board voted to keep this letter on file at request of the taxpayer, to use as supporting documentation with the annual exemption application.

10. Motion made by Tom to adjourn at approximately 12:30pm. Seconded by Wayne. Motion carried 3-0.

Date Approved: 2/23/2023 Chair: Thum J. Vew