

Town of Fairhaven
Massachusetts
BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Meeting Minutes
January 11, 2022

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In attendance at the meeting: Chair Ronnie Manzone, Board of Assessor; Pamela Davis, MAA, Board of Assessor; Ellis Withington, Board of Assessor; and Secretary & Principal Assessor, Delfino Garcia

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Call to order and reading of Open Meeting Law, M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 10(F).

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CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Do I hear a motion to call the meeting to order?

Motion made by: Pamela Davis

Seconded by: Ellis Withington

Are there any discussions? None

Hearing none we will now have a ROLL CALL by having the board in favor of the motion to call the meeting to order:

Pamela Davis - Aye

Ellis Withington - Aye

Ronnie Manzone - Aye

All in favor of the motion 3 to 0

The minutes will be taken by Delfino Garcia, Secretary & Principal Assessor and to state his name and to confirm by stating Aye:

Delfino Garcia - Aye.

The meeting is called to order at 6:02 p.m.

MINUTES:

Do I hear a motion to sign, accept and disperse the reading of the minutes of the December 14, 2021 meeting to be posted on the Assessor's Website.

Motion made by: Pamela Davis

Seconded by: Ellis Withington

Are there any discussions?

Hearing none we will now have a ROLL CALL:

Pamela Davis - Aye

Ellis Withington - Aye

Ronnie Manzone - Aye

All in favor of the motion 3 to 0

So moved to the board to accept, sign, and disperse the reading of the minutes of December 14, 2021 .

BILLS PAYABLE:

The following invoices to be approved by the board:

1. Staples - 12/22/2021 - \$133.22
2. Del Garcia - Mileage Reimbursement - 1/6/2022 - \$16.58
3. CAI Technologies - Map Updates - 1/7/2022 - \$1,800.00

Do I hear a motion to accept and sign the incurred expenses voucher?

Motion made by: Pamela Davis

Seconded by: Ellis Withington

Are there any discussions?

Hearing none we will now have a ROLL CALL:

Pamela Davis - Aye

Ellis Withington - Aye

Ronnie Manzone - Aye

All in favor of the motion 3 to 0

So moved to accept the bills and sign the voucher to date.

WARRANTS:

The following warrants to be signed by the board:

1. FY2021 Pro-Forma RE Tax Warrant - \$13,284.32

Do I hear a motion to sign the Warrants to date?

Motion made by: Pamela Davis

Seconded by: Ellis Withington

Are there any discussions? None

Hearing none we will now have a ROLL CALL:

Pamela Davis - Aye

Ellis Withington - Aye

Ronnie Manzone - Aye

All in favor of the motion 3 to 0

So moved to sign the Warrants to date.

MONTH END REPORTS:

The following Abatement Month End Reports to be signed by the Board of Assessors:

1. Motor Vehicle Abatements - \$6,130.66 - Date: 12/27/2021/ Batch: December #1
2. Real Estate Exemptions - \$34,789.71 - Date: 1/3/2022/ Batch: January Exemptions
3. Boat Abatements - \$368.50 - Date: 1/6/2022/ Batch: Boats Batch#1 Jan22
4. Real Estate Exemptions - \$1,922.16 - Date: 1/7/2022/ Batch: Exemptions #2
5. Real Estate Exemptions - \$2,263.25 - Date: 1/7/2022/ Batch: Exemptions #3

Do I hear a motion to sign the Month End Report?

Motion made by: Pamela Davis

Seconded by: Ellis Withington

Are there any discussions? None

Hearing none we will now have a ROLL CALL:

Pamela Davis - Aye

Ellis Withington - Aye

Ronnie Manzone - Aye

All in favor of the motion 3 to 0

So moved to sign the Month End Reports to date.

BETTERMENTS:

The following Betterment Warrant to be signed by the Board of Assessors:

NONE

CORRESPONDENCE:

Received a notice from the Appellate Tax Board dated December 21, 2021 pertaining to 6 ATB hearings in May & July.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

EXEMPTIONS:

Any exemptions to be discussed and reviewed by the Board of Assessors in Executive Session.

CHAPTER LAND:

None

APPELLATE TAX BOARD CASES:

All open Appellate Tax Board (ATB) cases to be reviewed and discussed in Executive Session.

We currently have 6 ATB cases currently pending and there are 6 ATB cases scheduled for hearings:

Case numbers:

F342554-20 May 25, 2022 at 10 a.m.

F342559-20 May 25, 2022 at 10 a.m.

F342537-21 May 25, 2022 at 10 a.m.

F342539-21 May 25, 2022 at 10 a.m.

F343536-21 July 21, 2022 at 10 a.m.

F343537-21 July 21, 2022 at 10 a.m.

FY22 ABATEMENTS:

Total received to date:

Real Estate: 6 Personal Property: 0

Real Estate Approved: 0 Real Estate Denied: 0

Personal Property Approved: 0 Personal Property Denied: 0

NOTES and ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next Board of Assessors meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 @ 6:00 PM.

PRIOR TO THE EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Prior to the Board of Assessors entering into Executive session, we will be discussing the following items:

1. VA22 - First Time Applicant - Map 12, Lot 41
2. Clause 42 - First Time Applicant - Map 28A, Lot 410
3. Tax Deferral Application - Map 29, Lot 41
4. Tax Deferral Application - Map 29B, Lot 345
5. Tax Deferral Application - Map 28A, Lot 334
6. Review and discuss the upcoming ATB hearings

7. Real Estate Abatements file nos.:

- a. PP#1
- b. RE#3
- c. RE#5
- d. RE#6

Other subjects of discussion or correspondence unable to be put on the agenda within the 48-hour rule will be discussed in the Executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Pursuant to MGL Ch. 30A ss 21(A): ADJOURNMENT

The Board of Assessors will now enter into Executive Session and will not return to Open Session pursuant to MGL c30A section 21(A)(7) and to review Appellate Tax Board matters pursuant to G.L. 30A section 21(a)(3) since discussion in public would be detrimental to the Town of Fairhaven Board of Assessors legal position.

Do I hear a motion from the Board of Assessors to enter into the Executive Session and not return to the open session?

Motion made by: Pamela Davis

Seconded by: Ellis Withington

Are there any discussions? None

Hearing none we will now have a ROLL CALL:

Pamela Davis - Aye

Ronnie Manzone - Aye

Ellis Withington - Aye

Motion carries: 3 to 0

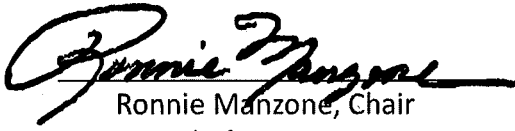
The Board of Assessors will now go into the Executive Session and will not return to open session, and the time now is 6:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

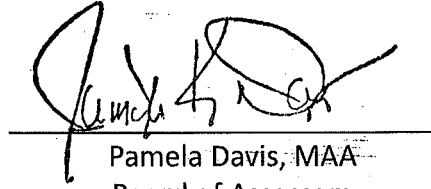
Delfino R. Garcia
Principal Assessor
Secretary

Notary Public

Board of Assessors / Date of Filing: February 15, 2022



Ronnie Manzone, Chair
Board of Assessors



Pamela Davis, MAA
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