



Minutes of the Brimfield Board of Assessors Meeting held August 18th 2020

Location: The Board of Assessors met pursuant to Governor Baker's Order to Suspend Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, Sec.18, and the Governor's Order imposing strict limitation on people gathering in one place, this meeting of the Town of Brimfield Board of Assessors was conducted via remote participation at +1(623)600-3773 Access Code 625935

Members Present: Carolyn Haley
Cynthia Powers
Robert Sullivan
Staff Present: Cynthia Poirier

Meeting called to order via teleconference at 3:03 P.M. by Carolyn Haley, Chair

Roll Call:

Carolyn Haley- Present
Cynthia Powers-Present
Robert Sullivan-Present
No guests in attendance.
Host: Cynthia Poirier

- .68 Meeting Minutes from the July 21st, 2020 Board of Assessors Meeting.
Motion made by Cynthia Powers to accept and sign the Minutes as presented. Second by Carolyn Haley. In Favor by Roll Call Vote Carolyn Haley-Yes Cynthia Powers-Yes Robert Sullivan -Abstained.
- .69 The Board noted- There are currently no outstanding Department Bills at this time.
- .70 The Board accepted the Motor Vehicle Applications marked for approval and the monthly report for Motor Vehicle Abatements granted.
- .71 The Board reviewed and approved the Two (2) FY-21 Preliminary Real Estate Abatements marked for approval and Monthly Report to the Accounting Officer
- .72 **Item Tabled.** Approval of Chapter 61 Applications under various Clauses that have met the qualifications for continued enrollment in the program*-THERE ARE NO APPLICATIONS TO APPROVE AT THIS MEETING.
- .73 The Board reviewed and approved the Notice of Commitment 2020-04 Motor Vehicle Excise in the amount of \$23, 708.00
- .74 Notice of Intent to Sell Pursuant to Mass. General Laws ch. 61 § 8, of the owner's intent to sell the property located at 145 Sturbridge Road (Parcel ID 14-A-11) and Rear Old Sturbridge Road (parcel ID 14-A-34) . These parcels are currently enrolled in Chapter 61. Ms. Poirier shared information surrounding the highest best use of the property as explained by Mr. Keith Beecher of the Army Corps of Engineers. Any change of use on those parcels is subject to approval by the US Government through the Army Corps of Engineers, because the rights of flowage are restrictive. Mr. Beecher discouraged any notion of large-scale buildings or soil removal on the site, due to the restrictions in place, they will likely be denied. Mr. Beecher will summarize the information and send via e-mail. Ms. Poirier will send the e-mail to the Board members once available. Carolyn Haley, Chair, thought it would be prudent to review the e-mail and maps of the parcels and post a meeting once the members have had time to review and research any questions, they may have surrounding the recommendation of the ROFR. Ms. Poirier will follow up with the Board and post a Meeting as instructed at that time.

Discussion: The Board discussed general office "new normal" and Ms. Poirier explained that thus far there has been just a few taxpayers who have needed in person assistance. A magazine rack with various applications and forms has been installed on the ramp at the Annex entrance for anyone not able to obtain them off the link in the Assessors webpage. The Board of Assessors webpage has been updated to assist the public in obtaining information and appointments if needed.

Having no further business Cynthia Powers made a Motion to adjourn Second by Carolyn Haley
All in favor by Roll Call Vote Carolyn Haley- Yes Cynthia Powers-Yes Robert Sullivan-Yes
Meeting adjourned 3:30 P.M

Respectfully submitted,


Cynthia S. Poirier

Deputy Assessor

Date: 08/31/2020

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