



TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN
DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL FINANCE - ASSESSORS' OFFICE

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Minutes of the
BOARD OF ASSESSORS MEETING
Town Hall, Tuesday, August 22, 2017
Caucus Hall Conference Room
260 Commercial Street

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Sanborn called the meeting to order at 8:42 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Robert Sanborn (Chair)
Mr. Scott Fahle
Ms. Leslie Parsons

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Greg Muse
Ms. Patty DeLuca

STAFF PRESENT: Mr. Scott Fahle, Principal Assessor
Ms. Cheryl MacKenzie, Administrative Assistant

PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Mr. Fahle made a motion to accept the posted BOA Minutes of July 25, 2017 as amended. Ms. Parsons seconded the motion, and the motion carried by a 3-0-0 vote.

PUBLIC STATEMENTS:

None

Mr. Sanborn motioned that we call the meeting into Executive Session, and Mr. Fahle seconded the motion. The motion was carried by a vote of 3-0-0.

Mr. Sanborn called the Meeting into Executive Session per the Massachusetts General Law 30A – Section 21@ 8:43 AM.

Begin Executive Session: OPEN MEETING LAW, G.L. c. 30A, §§ 21
MGL c 59, ss60 – Application for Abatement/Exemptions
MGL c 59, ss52B – Valuation Information

MGL c 59, ss8A – Discovery Collected in ATB Cases
MGL c 59, ss38D – Written Return of Information
MGL c 59, ss61A – Discovery Collected with Abatement Applications

End Executive Session: OPEN MEETING LAW, G.L. c. 30A, §§ 21

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MGL c 59, ss38D – Written Return of Information
MGL c 59, ss61A – Discovery Collected with Abatement Applications

Mr. Sanborn motioned that we end Executive Session, and Mr. Fahle seconded the motion. The motion was carried by a vote of 4-0-0.
Mr. Sanborn officially ended Executive Session at 9:05 a.m.

FY17 to FY16 ABATEMENT / EXEMPTION COMPARISON REPORT

Mr. Fahle provided a comparison report to the Board comparing FY17 to FY16 Abatements by class, and Exemptions by type, and how it affected the Overlay in both years.

FY18 (summer) – VALUATION CHANGES

Mr. Fahle discussed with the Board that the valuation changes for FY18 will increase on average approximately 3 ½ (three and one half) to 5 (five) percent which will encompass 95% of the town.

VOTE ON FY18 OVERLAY AMOUNT

Mr. Fahle recommended to the Board that \$275,000.00 be applied to the FY18 Overlay Account. Mr. Sanborn moved to accept the Assessors recommendation, and Ms. Parsons seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0-0.

Mr. Fahle will present the recommendation to the Board of Selectmen (BOS) at the classification hearing scheduled for next week.

FY18 TAX CLASSIFICATIONS

The board will discuss and make its recommendations to be forwarded to the Board of Selectmen on the following FY18 Tax Classification categories:

1. ***Split Tax Rate FY18.*** Adoption of a residential factor (*i.e.*, multiplier) other than 1 will shift a portion of the tax burden from the residential class to the commercial/industrial/personal property (“CIP”) class. **Recommendation:**
 - To Adopt a residential factor other than 1 (Split Tax Rate): _0_
 - Not to Adopt a residential factor other than 1: _3_
 - Absent: 2

**APPROVAL AND SIGNATURES FOR MOTOR VEHICLE/BOAT
COMMITMENT AND ABATEMENT REPORTS:**

Ms. MacKenzie provided the Board members with the following documents for signatures as follows: All were approved (3-0).

1. FY17 MV Abatements
2. FY17 Boat Abatements

MISCELLANEOUS:

None.

NEXT BOA MEETING:

TBD

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Sanborn motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Parsons. The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Scott Fahle

Scott Fahle,
Principal Assessor

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