



**TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN**  
**DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL FINANCE - ASSESSORS' OFFICE**

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Minutes of the  
REMOTE BOARD OF ASSESSORS MEETING  
Town Hall, Wednesday, November 18, 2020  
Caucus Hall Conference Room  
260 Commercial Street

**OPEN SESSION:** Mr. Fahle, acting as moderator, read the remote participation meeting instructions at 12:00 p.m. then turned the meeting over to Ms. Parsons.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Ms. Parsons called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mr. Frank Girvan

**STAFF PRESENT:** Mr. Scott Fahle, Principal Assessor  
Ms. Cheryl MacKenzie, Assessors Office Manager

**PREVIOUS MINUTES:**  
Ms. Parsons made a motion to accept the posted BOA Minutes of August 6, 2020 as written.  
Mr. Sanborn seconded the motion, and the motion carried by a 4-0-0 vote.

**PUBLIC STATEMENTS:**  
None

Ms. Parsons motioned that we call the meeting into Executive Session and Mr. Fahle seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0-0.

Ms. Parsons called the Meeting into Executive Session per the Massachusetts General Law 30A – Section 21@ 12:07 PM

**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. Fahle motioned that we end Executive Session, and Ms. Parsons seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0-0.

Ms. Parsons officially ended Executive Session at 12:39 p.m.

**FY21 REAL ESTATE PROPERTY ABATEMENTS**

The Board reviewed the First list of FY 2021 Real Estate Property abatement applications.

Four (4) applications were reviewed with the following action:

1. 577-U3W Commercial St – Granted to Value of \$837,500.00. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0-0.
2. 67-U3 Commercial St – Granted to Value of \$339,600.00. Units 2 and 3 will be combined into one unit for FY’ 2022. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0-0.
3. 192-UA Commercial St – Granted to Value of \$190,000.00. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0-0.
4. 46 Harry Kemp Way – Granted to Value of \$100,960. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0-0.

**FY21 PERSONAL PROPERTY ABATEMENTS**

The Board reviewed the first list of FY 2021 Personal Property abatement applications. Seven (7) applications were reviewed with the following actions:

1. 58-U6 Bradford St – Granted to Value of \$0. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0-0.
2. 25-UA2 Tremont St – Granted to Value of \$0. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0-0.
3. 300-A-U3 Bradford St – Granted to Value of \$0. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0-0.
4. 6-U2B Winston Ct – Granted to Value of \$0. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0-0.
5. 334 Commercial St – Granted to Value of \$0. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0-0.
6. 166 Commercial St – Granted to Value of \$0. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0-0.
7. 18-U5 Miller Hill – Granted to Value of \$0. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0-0.

**FY21 STATUTORY EXEMPTIONS/ABATEMENTS:**

**Exemptions -** None

**Clause 41C - Elderly Persons** – None

**Community Preservation Act** - None

**Clause 22 - Veterans** – None

**Clause 37A – Blind Persons** – None

**Clause 17D-Surviving Spouse/Elderly** – None

**Clause 41A Deferrals** – None

**Section 5K – Senior Volunteer Work Credit** – None

**FY21 – AFFORDABLE HOUSING ABATEMENTS:**

**Affordable Housing**

None

**FY21 – RESIDENTIAL EXEMPTIONS**

**Residential Exemptions/Abatements**

The Board reviewed the First list of FY2021 Residential Exemptions to be processed as Abatements to date. Six (6) applications were reviewed with the following actions:

**Residential Exemptions/Abatements** – Six (6) applications were considered for this period. All applicants meet the current requirements. The motion carried 4-0-0.

**FY21 – EXPANDED RESIDENTIAL EXEMPTIONS**

**Expanded Residential Exemptions/Abatements**

The Board reviewed the First list of FY2021 Expanded Residential Exemptions to be processed as Abatements to date. One (1) application was reviewed with the following actions:

**Expanded Residential Exemptions/Abatements** – One (1) application was considered for this period. All applicants meet the current requirements. The motion carried 4-0-0.

**ASSESSORS OFFICE UPDATES**

None

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

Ms. MacKenzie provided the Board members with the following documents to allow stamps instead of signatures as follows: All approved 4-0-0. Votes: (BS - yes, LM – yes, LP – yes, SF – yes)

1. FY20 MV Excise Tax Commitments
2. FY20 MV Abatements
3. FY20 Boat Abatements

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

1. Mr. Fahle mentioned that Eversource has filed for Personal Property Tax Abatements in multiple towns, as they don't like the way they were revalued. DOR mandated new public utilities procedures, forms were submitted, and values were assessed according to new documentation. Board will be reviewing at later date.
2. Ms. MacKenzie mentioned that the FY21 first half Real Estate and Personal Property Tax bills went out November 1, 2020, due December 1, 2020. The second half is scheduled to go out April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 at this time.
3. Ms. MacKenzie mentioned that the Statutory Exemptions have not been mailed yet, as new procedures are being discussed at this time. This is due to Covid restrictions on closing of Town Hall to the public at this time.

**NEXT BOA MEETING:**

TBD

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Ms. Parsons motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Sanborn. The meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

*Scott Fahle*

Scott Fahle,  
Principal Assessor

*Scott Fable*

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**Scott Fable, Principal Assessor**