

MINUTES  
TOWN OF MONTAGUE ASSESSING DEPARTMENT  
1 Avenue A (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor) Turners Falls, MA  
**March 6, 2017**

A meeting of the Montague Board of Assessors was held on Monday, March 6, 2017.

Assessors present: Chairman Paul Emery, Teresa Miner, Ann Cenzano and Karen Tonelli, Director of Assessing. The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. Upon a motion that was duly made and seconded, it was voted to approve the minutes of the previous meeting with corrections.

Time sheets for Director of Assessing were approved by the Chairman.

Regarding the PILOT agreement with FCRHA which expired in 2014, we are awaiting a response from the Director. This matter was tabled to the next meeting.

The Board signed monthly summaries of abatements issued in February 2017. The Board discussed the possibility of increasing the Personal Property exemption which is currently at \$1,000.00. Paul asked what the effect would be. Karen will ask Jessica to prepare a report of the accounts under 10K.

The Assessors discussed the status of the Deane boundary issues. The survey provided by Mr. Beaubien was reviewed again as well as a 2006 opinion issued by Kathleen Colleary, DOR Counsel. Additionally, the board reviewed the 2014 Assessors meeting minutes. The Board decided to conduct an inspection of the Deane property next Monday March 13, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. Karen will notify Mr. Beaubien and Mr. Deane.

At 4:25 p.m. Chairman Emery made a Motion to go into executive session under Purpose 7 to discuss personal exemption/abatements with the intention to return to open session. The motion was seconded and roll call took place: P. Emery voted "aye", Terry Miner voted "aye" and Ann Cenzano voted "aye".

At 4:35 p.m. the regular session meeting reconvened and a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:\_\_\_\_\_

Karen M. Tonelli, M.A.A.  
Director of Assessor

**List of Documents**

Copy of survey of Ross/Beaubien parcel dated 2/12/1993

Montague BOA meeting minutes dated 8/25/14

DOR Opinion #2005-448