

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS PUBLIC MEETING
TOWN OF CHARLEMONT**

May 11, 2015

Members Present: Jacqueline Cashin; Chair, Sarah Reynolds, Karen LaClair.

The meeting was convened at 7:02 p.m.

1. The Board reviewed the minutes from their 4/27/15 meeting. On a motion by Reynolds and seconded by LaClair, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes, as written.
2. The Board reviewed a letter to the Winston Healy Trust requesting the filing fee for a Chapter 61 land lien due to a change in acreage. On a motion by Reynolds and seconded by Cashin, the Board voted unanimously to sign and send the letter.
3. The Board reviewed the deeds and building construction reports for April, 2015.
4. The Board reviewed motions filed by both the Commission of Revenue and MCI regarding the pending ATB appeals. Millett explained that the Commissioner had filed a request to be allowed to exceed the 30 interrogatory and document request limit in their requests to MCI, which is governed by the Appellate Tax Board Rules of Practice and Procedure. In return, MCI had filed the same request against the Commissioner. Millett stated that Town Counsel and MCI had finally agreed to a settlement of \$12,000.00 regarding the outstanding appeals in Charlemont. All that remains is the procedure by which the appeals were paid from the overlay, which there have been differing opinions on. Millett noted that they were in the process of interviewing for a new Town Accountant, and that once one has been hired, she will check with the Accountant on how this should be handled.
5. The Board noted that Anthony will likely be campaigning as a write-in candidate for position of Assessor.
6. The Board discussed that after Annual Town Meeting, they will select a new Board Chair.
7. Millett told the Board her approved vacation dates.
8. The next regular Assessor's meeting falls on Memorial Day, so the next meeting will be June 8th.
9. At 7:22 p.m., on a motion by Cashin and seconded by LaClair, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn their meeting.
10. At 7:22 p.m., on a motion by Cashin and seconded by Reynolds, the Board voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session in order to deliberate on pending abatement and/or exemption applications, with the intent to not return to open meeting afterwards.

Roll Call:

Voting yes: Cashin, Reynolds, LaClair

Voting no: None

Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carlene Millett,
Assessor's Secretary

List of Documents Viewed in Public Meeting of May 11, 2015*

1. Minutes from meeting of 4/27/15
2. Letter to Healy Trust regarding Chapter 61 land lien filing fee, dated 5/11/15.
3. Deeds for April, 2015
4. Building construction report for April, 2015.
5. Motion for leave to exceed 30 interrogatories and documents requests, filed by the Commissioner of Revenue, dated 4/28/15.
6. Motion for leave to file supplemental interrogatories on the Commissioner of Revenue, filed by MCIMetro Access Transmission Services of Massachusetts, Inc., dated 5/4/15.

***Documents are stored in their respective files in the Assessor's office.**