NEWTOWN BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS REGULAR MEETING REMOTE PARTICIPATION MONDAY, APRIL 26, 2021

MINUTES

PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE: Alex Villamil, Charles Gardner and Edward Randall

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Villamil called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Villamil moved to accept the minutes of the April 15, 2021 Board of Assessment Appeals Regular Meeting. Seconded by Mr. Randall. All in favor. Motion passes (3-0).

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Discussion and Possible Action:

Deliberate and finalize decisions for hearings held on April 6th, April 8th and/or April 14th:

Shkelzen Kralani dba Barnwood Grill – Business Personal Property

Mr. Villamil sent an email to Mr. Kralani on April 21, 2021 giving him one more chance to further amend his personal property declaration but received no response. The Board agreed to adjust the assessment based on his revised declaration from April 15th but leave in the values carried over from prior years.

Mr. Villamil moved to approve to the extent where the appellant revised the values in the declaration and the Assessor carry over values for boxes left unfilled in code 16 and apply figures from the previous year's declaration. Seconded by Mr. Randall. All in favor. Motion passes (3-0).

Libor Karas – Real Estate at 58 Botsford Hill Road

The Board discussed the supporting documentation provided by Mr. Karas and noted that his property is listed for sale at \$1.4 million. They spoke on the photos he provided and determined that the llamas depicted in the photos appear to be carried on and off the property and do not stay year round. Mr. Randall shared some concern about the amount of travel trailers that are on his property. They noted that the property continues to receive its farmland status and feel that everything depicted on the current field card is accurate. They agreed to leave the total assessment as is at \$234,070.

Mr. Villamil moved to deny the appeal based on insufficient evidence to support appellant's claim. Seconded by Mr. Gardner. All in favor. Motion passes (3-0).

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Mr. Villamil moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Randall. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted, Rina Quijano, Clerk