



TOWN OF NEWTOWN

Board of Assessment Appeals
Minutes of Regular Meeting on March 20, 2018

THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

A Board of Assessment Appeals Regular Meeting was held on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at 6:00 in Meeting Room #1, Newtown Municipal Center, 3 Primrose Street, Newtown, Connecticut

Members Present: James McFarland, Tom Dwyer, Deborra Zukowski and Connie Cooper

Staff Present: Lynn Kovack (Clerk)

James called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM

James introduced new Member Connie Cooper and went over the procedures briefly

Approval of Minutes – Tabled

Public Participation – No Public Participation

Unfinished Business – Need to set up date for back log of first meeting deliberations and Approval of Minutes (tabled)

New Business – James discussed the hearing of the Commercial Properties Assessed greater than \$1,000,000. Will put on the Agenda for Tuesday, March 27, 2018 for further discussion with other members of the Commission

The Board Administered oaths, took statements and voted on the following:

- Stephanie Kokenos represented by Husband Dennis Kokenos – Personal Property, Horses & Ponies- **Approved** – Provide the \$1,000 exemption per state statute section 12-81. Livestock exemption for non-farming horses (M) Deborra (2nd) Connie
- Dennis Kokenos – 21 Platts Hill Road – Excessive Tax Increase – **Approved** – Restore land classification to farm land (M) Deborra (2nd) Connie
- Stephanie Kokenos represented by Husband Dennis Kokenos – 25 Platts Hill Road - Excessive Tax Increase – **Approved** – Restore land classification to farm land (M) Deborra (2nd) Connie
- Kenneth Wright for 89 Poverty Hollow Road LLC – 89 Poverty Hollow Road - Excessive Tax Increase – **Approved** – Correct field card to change Basement to Crawl space and due to economic obsolescence caused by nationally known murder evidence found on property. Ensure appraisal amount to no more than appellant's estimate of \$503,608 (M) Deborra (2nd) Connie
- Joel Nezvesky – 11 Old Town Road – Excessive Tax Increase – **Approved** – Pending review by Assessor that property for #11 is not already included in assessment for #9 Old Town Road, the assessment for 11 Old Town Road be adjusted for Topography and wetlands. Change S. Adj Factor to .95 (M) James (2nd) Tom
- Dean & Geraldine Alpert represented by Atty Bob Hall – 22 Brookside Court – **Tabled** – Deliberations to be done on all Townhouses at one time
- John Glaberson represented by Atty Bob Hall – 8 Valley Field Road North – **Disapproved** – Evidence provided by appellant document topography detection land that are already accounted for on the current assessment (M) Deborra (2nd) Connie
- Andrea Haas – 159 Hattertown Road – **Approved** – Restore farm land use to assessment (M) Deborra (2nd) Tom
- Peter Wen & Christina Ronac – 10 Monitor Hill Road – **Approved** – Change the grade to B, to better align with the neighborhood (M) Deborra (2nd) Tom
- Walter Zinn – 36 Housatonic Drive – Applicant did not show for their scheduled hearing

There being no other business to transact the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 PM

Respectfully submitted by Lynn Kovack
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