



TOWN OF NEWTOWN

Board of Assessment Appeals Minutes of Special Meeting on Tuesday, March 19, 2019

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

A Board of Assessment Appeals Special Meeting was held on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 6:00PM in Meeting Room #1, Newtown Municipal Center, 3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT

Members Present: James McFarland (6:53PM), Alex Villamil and Charles Gardiner

Staff Present: Lynn Kovack

Alex called the meeting to order at 6:23PM

Approval of Minutes: Tabled

Public Participation: None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business

The Board Administered Oaths, took statements and voted on the following

- **Eric & Gwynne Wittmann** – 14 Lake Road – Very high appraisal relative to previous appraisal (56% increase) and relative to neighbors (on hold – to be done with other deliberations)
- **Claris Construction (Nick Camenker, Agent)** 53 Church Hill Road – Assessed value exceeds fair market value as of 10/1/18. Information to be presented at time of hearing. (on hold – to be done with other Commercial deliberations)
- **Roberto & Elizabeth Lopez** – 4 Scenic View Drive – Assessment too high – **Approved** – set the assessment to \$236,630 as per assessor inspection of property on 3/7/19 (M) James (2nd) Alex
- **Christopher Boyce** – 31 Queen Street – Assessment too high – (on hold – to be done with other deliberations)
- **Billie Cohen** – 30 Taunton Lake Road – Assessed too high. Only 2 bedrooms and have been taxed for 3 bedrooms. Property is deteriorated, dead trees, wet, muddy and Icy – **Approved** – remove crawl space from the 3 (12' x 18' areas), no access, only a 4" clearance from ground. Change number of bedrooms to 1 bedroom (M) James (2nd) Alex
- **Matthew Mihalcik** – 93 Berkshire Road – Assessment value inaccurate based on recent sales and appraisal – (on hold – to be done with other deliberations)
- **Barnwood Grill** – Personal Property – Applicant no showed for scheduled hearing
- **Michael Dezenzo** – 69 Lakeview Terrace – property not comparable to other neighboring homes. It is a seasonal cottage and not accessible in the cold months. No road frontage, only an easement – **Approved** – The board requires the assessor to visit and enter the property and building to perform a complete inspection and update the field card to match, including revised assessment. No later than March 27, 2019 (This appeal is approved contingent upon the property owner providing all access necessary) (M) James (2nd) Alex
- **I am Journey, LLC** – Personal Property – Applicant no showed for scheduled hearing