

Town of West Tisbury

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Open Session Meeting Minutes

Board of Assessors, September 7, 2022

Present: Michael Colaneri, Maria McFarland

Also Present: MacGregor Anderson, Principal Assessor

The meeting convened at 4:30 P.M.

All votes were roll call votes due to the remote nature of the meeting.

Minutes August 2, 2022

The Board voted to approve the minutes: Colaneri yes, McFarland yes.

Abutters Lists

The Board voted to certify the abutters lists: Colaneri yes, McFarland yes.

Authorization for Principal Assessor to sign Gateway (Dept of Revenue) documents online

Mr. Anderson explained that the Department of Revenue provided an authorization document for board members to sign, giving the principal assessor the Gateway signing authority on their behalf. The alternative was for board members to individually log in to Gateway to sign forms.

Ms. McFarland planned to travel for two weeks so asked to sign the form in the office the following day.

Motor Vehicle Excise Abatements

1. 2022 \$574.95

The board approved the abatements: Colaneri yes, McFarland yes.

Department of Revenue re-certification update

Mr. Anderson said he had completed the desktop review of about 600 property record card comparisons as well as multiple comparison reports and the Department of Revenue was now reviewing their own subset of these. Mr. Anderson said he did not anticipate any problems after speaking with the DOR, and expected approval of the conversion in the near future.

Mr. Anderson said he was finishing off his permit inspection input, with about fifty left of more than 200. He said he expected to be done in a week. Mr. Anderson said he'd had no problems getting the few plans he still needed from the building department, and he also noted that Permiteyes had been very helpful in determining January 1 stage of completion.

Mr. Anderson said he and PK would then be working on setting values. Mr. Anderson said the goal was to have new values by October 1st for board review although he couldn't promise it. He said they'd have easily been on track for the original timeline without the staff departure.

Mr. Anderson said he'd hoped to be at most a week or week and a half behind for the public disclosure which was originally scheduled for October 13-19th. Mr. Colaneri said that if things were much later than that it would interfere with the classification hearing timing.

Mr. Colaneri said the most important thing for the board to review was the old values to new. He asked that Mr. Anderson consider bringing any significant changes to the board as they were came up rather than simply providing a completed set of numbers for review and approval. Mr. Anderson said he'd be happy to work with Mr. Colaneri as he went along.

Assistant Assessor / Data Collector position advertising update

Mr. Anderson said they had a couple people inquire that didn't end up applying, along with two applications, both of whom would be worth interviewing. Mr. Anderson noted one applicant wasn't back for interviews until after the 15th.

Mr. Colaneri felt it would be best to continue running the advertisement. Ms. McFarland said she wouldn't be back until the 26th, and suggested Mr. Anderson and Mr. Colaneri coordinate. Mr. Anderson suggested he and Mr. Colaneri review the applications and then decide on how best to continue. Ms. McFarland agreed.

The Board did not enter into executive session.

The open session ended at 5:00pm

MacGregor Anderson, MAA

Principal Assessor

Approved: 11/1/22