

Sterling Board of Assessors
Room 109, Buttrick Municipal Building, 1 Park St., Sterling MA 01564
Minutes of Meeting October 23, 2017

Present: Donlin Murray (Don), Chairman
Robert Cutler (Bob), Vice Chairman
Becky Boucher (Becky), Associate Regional Assessor
Debbie Dreyer (Debbie) Assistant to the Assessor

Not Present: Richard Sheppard (Dick), Clerk

Meeting Opened at 7:30am

Roll Call- Cutler present, Murray present - along with Becky & Debbie

Approval of Agenda - MOTION: Bob made a motion to accept the agenda, 2nd by Don, all in favor, aye.

Payroll, Payables, any abatements, warrants signed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approve previous meeting's minutes -MOTION: Bob made a motion to accept the previous meeting's regular minutes (9/18/2017) 2nd by Don, all in favor, aye.

Chapter, Statutory Exemptions /no executive session needed: Statutory Exemption list approved & signed.

Chapter: Board to sign a revised lien for Sally Beckwith.

Becky noted it's early & in record time that the Chapter applications have been reviewed & ready for the Board's approval. Becky recommended approval for the Chapter list with the exception of 12 applications that letters have been sent to requesting any late or missing information.

MOTION: Bob made a motion to approve the list not including the exceptions, 2nd by Don, all in favor aye

The Fords submitted an application even though we denied them last year. The Board reviewed the application - nothing's changed since last year & they do not meet the qualifications.

MOTION: Bob made a motion to deny the application, 2nd by Don, all in favor aye

Ann Desmarais submitted her application including a 5 acre parcel the Board had previously denied. The Board reviewed the application and decided to "deny in part".

MOTION: Bob made a motion to approve Parcel 94/8 and deny Parcel 104/6, 2nd by Don, all in favor aye

Contract Regional Assessor (RRG) Update

Tax Classification: Becky's put together a draft for the Tax Classification hearing.

MOTION: Bob made a motion to recommend to the BOS a single tax rate, 2nd by Don, all in favor aye

Future agenda items: Chapter Review, Tax Rate, Vision Static Database, Billing File, Permit Inspector

Next meeting: Monday November20 @7:30am

Bob made a motion to adjourn the meeting @8:17am, 2nd by Don, all in favor Cutler aye, Murray aye

Respectfully submitted by
Debbie Dreyer Assistant to the Assessor