

Sterling Board of Assessors
Room 109, Butterick Municipal Building, 1 Park St., Sterling MA 01564
Minutes of Meeting March 28, 2016

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

Meeting Opened at 8:10am

Roll Call & Approval of Agenda

Cutler present, Murray present, along with Becky Boucher & Debbie Dreyer

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

MOTION: Bob made a motion to accept the previous meeting's minutes regular & executive (not to be released), 2nd by Don, all in favor, aye.

Payroll, Payables, Statutory Exemption list, any abatements, warrants will be signed.

Executive Session

Vote: Executive Session

8:16am EXECUTIVE SESSION - Mike made a **Motion** to go into executive session under M.G.L. C59; S60 & M.G.L. 214 S1B, Clause(7) to comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law: ~ for the purpose of reviewing real estate abatement applications personal property exemptions & their supporting documentation so that identifiable confidential information shall not be made public 2nd by Bob, all in favor

Roll Call Vote with Rule of Necessity: Cutler aye, Murray aye

The Board convened in Executive session at 8:16am and reconvened in public session at 9:17am.

Contract Regional Assessor (RRG) Update

Supplemental Taxes: Becky reported that we have 16 bills for supplemental taxes for new construction completed from 6/30/15 to the present – \$3.9 million in value generating \$41,953.25 in supplemental taxes. Letters were mailed informing them of the bills being sent.

Map changes have been updated & completed.

Taxability of airport hanger: Becky felt it should be taxed as personal property, but would like the Board to wait until it can be discussed with Harald in attendance before making a final decision.

OLD BUSINESS

Discuss cost for putting field cards online –Harald was going to check with the town of Lincoln on cost and report back. It's seems that it would be quite labor intensive & costly. We'll continue an ongoing discussion with this matter.

Future agenda items: Field card online, Airport hanger, sign 3 ABCs, any remaining abatement applications, any general business.

Next meeting: Monday April 25 @7:30am

Don made a motion to adjourn the meeting @9:31am, 2nd by Bob, all in favor aye.

Respectfully submitted by Debbie Dreyer
Assistant to the Assessor