

Sterling Board of Assessors  
Room 109, Butterick Municipal Building, 1 Park St., Sterling MA 01564  
**Minutes of Meeting April 25, 2016**

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

**Meeting Opened at 7:50am**

**Roll Call & Approval of Agenda**

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

**MOTION:** Mike made a motion to accept the agenda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob, all in favor, aye.

**MOTION:** Bob made a motion to accept the previous (March 28, 2016) meeting's minutes regular & executive (not to be released), 2<sup>nd</sup> by Don, all in favor, aye. Mike abstained.

**Payroll, Payables, Statutory Exemption list, any abatements, warrants signed.**

**Executive Session**

**Vote: Executive Session**

**7:54am 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 exemption & 3ABC applications & their supporting documentation so that identifiable confidential information shall not be made public 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob, all in favor

**Roll Call Vote:** Rivers aye, Cutler aye, Murray aye

The Board convened in Executive session at 7:54am and reconvened in public session at 8:39am.

**Contract Regional Assessor (RRG) Update**

August 2015 – Board agreed to settle with MCI on backlog of cases for ATB – they never received documentation - the Board needs to sign & send to Atty. Will Hazel.

*Chapter Land follow-up:* There were still a couple applications that weren't voted on because we didn't have all the documentation – John Carlson - we now have the proper information & approve. David Moran – 80 Redstone Hill Rd - we needed income info; was sent many letters, phone calls & never received anything

*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 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, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob, all in favor aye.

Respectfully submitted by Debbie Dreyer  
Assistant to the Assessor