

STOCKBRIDGE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

RECORD OF MEETING

Date – Monday, May 16th

Time – 9:00 a.m.

Location – Zoom Meeting and In-Person

Present - Michael Blay, Principal Assessor
Gary Pitney, Chairman
Douglas Goudey
Thomas Stokes

The Board discussed the following at their meeting:

Last Meeting Minutes – Reviewed the minutes and mentioned to the Board that there were a few carry over agenda items from the last meeting that will be discussed at this meeting.

Appellate Tax Board Settlement for Camp Mahkeenac (Mahkeenac Real Estate Co, LLC)

Informed the Board that Mahkeenac Real Estate Co, LLC has agreed to the settlement valuations for Fiscal Years 2021 and 2022. I have informed their Attorney that this office will be issuing the abatement refunds to sign for the next meeting.

Form of Lists (2HF) for 2nd Home Owner Study for Fiscal Year 2023 – Updated the Board on the sending of the 700 2HF Form of List to second home owners. They were mailed on May 2nd and we are continuing to answer questions by email and over the phone.

Update on Fiscal Year 2023 Certification Progress – Updated the Board on the progress of the Fiscal Year 2023 Valuation Update (Certification). Mentioned to them that Joe Barbieri, our DOR Advisor has done his data quality study from the record cards and additional data that was provided by our office. He called and I talked to him about the results. He had a few questions on several properties that I was able to answer over the phone. He informed me that he will be providing us with the results from his review of the data in the upcoming weeks. I will then have to review those results and make the appropriate changes.

Personal Property Inspections for Fiscal Year 2023 – Informed the Board that on May 24th, RRC will begin the business personal property inspections. RRC has been hired by the Town of Stockbridge to reinspect all commercial and industrial properties and itemize all personal property assets for the State mandate for Fiscal Year 2023.

Tax Exempt Filing for Berkshire Scenic Railway Museum Inc. – Berkshire Scenic Railway Museum Inc has filed for tax exempt status on property owned by them at 2 Depot Street for Fiscal Year 2023 which has an assessment date of July 1, 2022. An invite to discuss this matter was sent to Kevin Chittendan. I was informed that he would be on zoom to answer questions that the Board needs answered before making their decision. Mr. Chittendan was not present at the meeting. The Board will be sending out a further invite for their next meeting.

Questions of Comments from Zoom or Live Audience – There were no public participants for this Board Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.
Michael T. Blay, Principal Assessor