Stockbridge Board of Assessors

Record of Meeting

Date – July 18th, 2022 Time – 9:00 am Location – This was a Zoom and In-Person Meeting Present - Michael Blay, Principal Assessor

- Gary Pitney
- Douglas Goudey
- Thomas Stokes

The Board discussed the following items at their meeting:

<u>Last Meeting Minutes</u> – The Board reviewed the last meeting minutes and had no issues or comments.

<u>Upgrades/New Pricing for CAI Online AxisGis</u> – Mike reviewed with the Board that he received an email from Cartographic Technologies with details with the pricing, changes were made to this program. Mike went over the pricing, it will be taken out of the assessor's budget. The Board read over the email, there will be extensive changes being made to the program, Mike went over all of the changes.

504 Appraisals from RRC - Mike informed the Board that these appraisals were received back in our office, Mike reviewed the 3 utility companies that were appraised. These companies are Berkshire Gas, Eversource and Mass. Electric, Mike went over all of the values and the new growth. Doug asked about the high-tension lines, Mike stated he hasn't received these appraisals back yet. There will be a memo or letter that will need to be signed by the Board to complete the certification.

<u>Update on FY23 Certification</u> – Mike informed the Board that he is entering all of the data into the system, he has been working on this for a few weeks. He explained the process he is using to complete the certifications, there's 40 sales that he is working with. Tammy has added up the second homeowner forms, she will now enter them into a spreadsheet.

Update on Berkshire Scenic Railway Museum Inc. (2 Depot St.) Request for Tax Exempt Status – Mike reviewed with the Board that he emailed Kevin that they are still looking this over, he said there's no rush. Town Council and the Board will have questions on to why they should be considered tax exempt, the Board can email Mike these questions. Doug made suggestions on how to go about this, Tom has decided to recuse himself from any other discussions about their tax-exempt status. Doug and Gary agreed with his decision.

<u>Questions or Comments from Zoom or Live Audience</u> – There was no one in attendance at the town hall and there was no one on Zoom, there were no questions or comments.

Vote to Enter into Executive Session per MGL Ch. 30A, sec 21(a)7 to Discuss and Review a Property Tax Exempt Status & Future Pilot and Chair to Declare Whether or not the Board Will Return to Open Meeting Session Upon Completion of the Executive Sessions – Gary made a motion to enter into executive session, Doug 1st the motion and Tom 2nd it and it was put forth by the Board. They will not be returning to open session when completed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m. Tammy Touponce, Assessors Clerk

*Supporting documents are on file with the Assessor's Office.