

Stockbridge Board of Assessors

Record of Meeting

Date – Monday January 9, 2023

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:

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

Form of Lists to be Mailed - Mike informed the Board that these forms will be going out in the next few weeks, they are due March 1, 2023.

Form 3ABC Forms to be Mailed (Additional Questions to be Included) – Mike informed the Board that the forms will be going out by the end of the month, there will be an additional letter that Mike will type up that will be included stating they need to describe what each building is used for that's on the property. Doug added that we should ask if the property is being rented.

Board to Sign Notice for Form of Lists – Mike reviewed with the Board that the FOL is ready to be signed, it will be posted here at the town hall. The Board reviewed and signed this, Mike will have it posted.

Board to Sign Uncollectible – Mike informed the Board that this is a duplicate bill, the Board reviewed and signed this.

AxisGis Update Using Version V8 of Vision/New Values – Mike informed the Board that CAI and Vision have worked together and this update is all set, every night when the systems are updated this is getting updated also.

Contact CAI for Online Sketch Conversion Procedure for AxisGis – Mike reviewed with the Board that money has been taken out of the overlay for this, he will contact Tim Fountain at CAI this week to get this finished. This procedure needs to be finished by July 1, 2023.

Update on Information Request from Berkshire Scenic Railway Museum – Mike informed the Board that he has talked to Donna at Town Counsel, this can be discussed in open session. Mike will put it on the agenda for their next meeting and he will contact the museum to include them.

Update of Tax Exemption Pilot Program - Tom informed Mike, Gary and Doug that him and Peter Strauss are working on the questionnaire, Patrick White has been helping to make the form so the non-profits can fill it in online. There will be a final review by the committee, it will be sent out in the next few weeks. Peter asked about sharing the questionnaire with the Board of Assessors, no they don't need to see it or comment on it. Tom and Peter agreed to get the questionnaire to the rest of the committee to review than it will be emailed out to the non-profits. Mike asked if they will be sending them back, Tom informed Mike that they will be able to fill the form out in PDF style or in Word. The questionnaire will be sent back to an email address that will be set up specifically for the Pilot Program, Tom is going to put on the form that this is a public document. Mike will put it on their next meeting agenda to finalize this.

Questions or Comments from Zoom or Live Audience – No one was in the audience or on Zoom, there were no questions or comments. Tom stated he will stop in to sign all of these forms.

Vote to Enter into Executive Session per MGL Ch. 30A, sec 21(a)7 to Discuss and Review Motor Vehicle Abatements, FY23 Exemptions & FY23 Real & Personal Abatement Applications and Chair to Declare Whether or not the Board Will Return to Open Meeting Session Upon Completion of the Executive Session – Gary made a motion, Doug 1st the motion, Gary 2nd it and all were in favor to enter into executive and not return to open meeting session.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

Tammy Touponce, Assessors Clerk

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