



Townsend Board of Assessors

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Carol LeConti, Chairman 2024
Victoria Tidman, Principal Assessor

Laura Shifrin, Vice-Chair 2022
Julie Byars, Clerk 2023

**Board of Assessors MINUTES
Tuesday March 1, 2022, 4PM
VIA Zoom**

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- Meeting called to order at 4:12PM. Roll call showed Chairman Carol LeConti, (CL), Vice Chair Laura Shifrin (LS) and Clerk Julie Byars (JB) present.
- Review and sign meeting minutes. LS moved to accept and approve the meeting minutes from January 25, 2022. JB seconded. Roll Call vote unanimous.
- Review and sign: Principal Assessor, Victoria Tidman (VT) presented the following for review and signatures. JB moved to have the Chairman, CL, sign out of session. LS seconded. Roll call vote unanimous.
 - A. Motor Vehicle Excise Abatement Reports

B. Bills Payable

C. Review Planning/Zoning referral notices-See below

- Review RE Abatement Applications-LS moved to go in to executive session to discuss abatement applications at 4:32 PM. JB seconded. Roll call vote Unanimous.
- Review Planning Board mandatory referral 32 Main Street- Discussed Planning Board referral regarding food truck park, and how it would relate to assessments/values. VT will look in to how this venture would be taxed and will report back at the next meeting.
- Topics not anticipated by the Chair 48 hours in advance:
 - Release of excess overlay. VT reported that the FY 23 budget is in the red, and normally the BOA sets aside \$130,000 in that account. Last year there was an excess and VT said she would be comfortable releasing \$50,000. LS moved to contribute \$50,000 to the operating budget for FY 23. JB seconded. Roll call vote unanimous.

Note: The Board reserves the right to enter executive session when discussing financial information regarding overvaluation applications, Appellate Tax Board cases, statutory and residential exemptions and Community Preservation Act (CPA) applications.