

## **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 January 25, 2022, 6PM VIA Zoom

- Called the meeting to order at 6:04pm. Roll call showed Chairman Carol LeConti (CL), Vice Chairman Laura Shifrin (LS) and Clerk Julie Byars (JB) present.
- Review and sign meeting minutes. LS moved to approve November 9, 2021, meeting minutes. JB seconded. Roll call vote unanimous. LS moved to approve August 31 meeting minutes. 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 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
- Review RE Abatement Applications-LS moved to table review until next meeting on February 15<sup>th</sup>. JB seconded. Roll call vote unanimous.
- Discuss the Governors new law regarding the loosening of zoning bylaws to increase opportunities for housing -MBTA to adopt new verbiage, bylaw change what won't be eligible if we don't pass it. For next meeting, VT will compile a list of new house permits between 2000-2010, 2010-2020, and 2021-2022. Will discuss at next meeting.
- Topics not anticipated by the Chair 48 hours in advance: Reviewed and approved updated Certified Abutters List Application. LS moved to approve the updated Certified Abutters List Application as presented. JB seconded. Roll call vote unanimous.
  - JB moved to adjourn at 6:32PM. LS 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.