

EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES
Town of Montague Assessors' Department
1 Avenue A (2nd Floor) Turners Falls, MA
February 29, 2016

An Executive Session meeting of the Montague Board of Assessors was held on Monday, February 29, 2016. Assessors present were Chairman Paul Emery, Teresa Miner, Ann Cenzano and Karen Tonelli, Director of Assessing.


The meeting was called to session at 3:55 p.m.

The Board members met with Carol Pedigree, owner of a two family home located 4 South High Street (Par ID12-0-057). Ms. Pedigree began by stating that her house was not a duplex, rather it was an "up and down". She stated that she believed her property was assessed too high in comparison with other two-family homes in town. The Assessors reviewed the property cards for the houses Ms. Pedigree compared her house to and noted that those homes were much older. A discussion concerning how market comparables for appraisals were done took place. It was also pointed out that her residence had a discount applied to it for pet odors which has been rectified. After having conducted an interior inspection of the house recently, it was determined that the condition should be raised from fair/average to average.

After reviewing her application and other data provided, the Chairman made a motion, which was seconded, to deny the abatement application.

Upon a Motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to adjourn at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Karen Tonelli, M.A.A.
Director of Assessing

Minutes approved: _____

ok to release. Ann Cenzano