EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

Town of Montague Assessors' Department

1 Avenue A (2nd Floor) Turners Falls, MA

March 28, 2016

An Executive Session meeting of the Montague Board of Assessors was held on Monday, March 28, 2016. Assessors present were Chairman Paul Emery, Teresa Miner, Ann Cenzano and Karen Tonelli, Director of Assessing.

Upon a Motion made by Chairman Emery, the meeting was called into executive session at 3:40 p.m. The motion was seconded and all voted in favor. The Board reviewed and took action on the following FY2016 abatement applications:

Robert Semaski, 186 Turners Falls Road, Turners Falls, MA (Par Id 21-0-017). Mr. Semaski was seeking a reduction in his land valuation. The Assessors determined that there was no basis for granting an abatement, therefore the application was denied.

Craig Underwood, 8 Unity St, Turners Falls, MA (Par Id 07-0-017). Mr. Underwood recently sold the property for \$77,000 however it was noted that he had been in tax title therefore it was not considered a valid market sale. After review and discussion, it was voted to deny the application.

The Assessors reviewed and approved the following statutory exemption as it had been determined that the applicant met ownership, occupancy, status, income and assets required by law:

The Assessors discussed a 3ABC Application submitted by Friends of Montague Common Hall seeking exemption from real estate tax for the building located at 34 Main Street. It was decided to ask DOR legal for an opinion regarding whether or not this group would be eligible for tax exemption status.

Upon a Motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to adjourn at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Director of Assessing

Minutes approved:

ok Forpartial release. Ann Cenzano