

MINUTES  
TOWN OF MONTAGUE ASSESSING DEPARTMENT  
1 Avenue A (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor) Turners Falls, MA  
**March 19, 2018**

A meeting of the Montague Board of Assessors was held on Monday, March 19, 2018.

Assessors present: Chairman Paul Emery, Ann Cenzano, Teresa Miner and Karen Tonelli, Director of Assessing. The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as printed. The Board voted unanimously.

Time sheets for the Director of Assessing were signed and approved by the Chairman.

The Board reviewed FinCom minutes dated January 10, 2018 and January 17, 2018 regarding their action on the Board's request to increase annual assessor's stipends from 1,500 to 1,800. The FinCom did not recommend this increase therefore the Assessors decided not to pursue it and reduced their budget request back to 1,500 for stipends.

The Assessors signed Motor Vehicle Excise Recommitments for 2009, 2012 and 2013 totaling \$150.73. The Assessors also signed 2018 Motor Vehicle Excise Commitment #2 totaling \$93,915.23.

The Board discussed the abatement application submitted by Furd Wulkan for property located at 38 Main Street, Montague, MA. Karen met with Mr. Wulkan and conducted a complete inspection of the premises. The Board reviewed the adjusted property card as well as three comparable two family home sales. It was voted to adjust the FY18 assessment to \$390,000.00.

The Board reviewed the abatement application submitted by Avery Brody for personal property. He indicated that he closed his landscaping business three years ago and the only item he has is a lawn mower used for personal use. It was voted to grant the abatement in full and close the account.

The Board reviewed the abatement application submitted by Ashley Green. No decision was made at this time. Karen will research the information provided by Ashley and look at current sales data.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:\_\_\_\_\_

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

**List of Documents**

Time Sheets

FinCom meeting minutes

MVE Recommitments/Warrants

Abatement Applications w/ attached documents

Current Sales Reports