

MINUTES  
TOWN OF MONTAGUE ASSESSING DEPARTMENT  
1 Avenue A (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor) Turners Falls, MA  
**April 1, 2019**

A meeting of the Montague Board of Assessors was held on Monday, April 1, 2019.

Assessors present: Chairman Paul Emery, Terry Miner, Ann Cenzano 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. The Board voted unanimously.

The Assessors discussed an email sent to S. Ellis Town Administrator regarding FirstLight litigation and the four towns that have property owned by FirstLight. Karen indicated that she has spoken with Jacqueline Boyden of Erving BOA and Ryan Johnson of the DOR. It was agreed that matter will be discussed again in the future as we get closer to our recertification year (Fy2022).

The Board members signed a monthly listing of MVE abatements issued in March, 2019. They also signed a list of monthly abatements and exemptions issued in March, 2019.

The Board signed commitments for Motor Vehicle Excise Tax as follows: 2007 \$20.83; 2009 \$50.00 and 2014 \$58.75.

The Assessors also reviewed Commitment # 2 for the 2019 Motor Vehicle Excise and signed a warrant totaling \$70,515.13.

The Board voted to deny three (3) abatement applications submitted by FirstLight Hydro Generating (Parcel IDs: 05-0-151; 08-0-1 and Personal Property Acct# 538)

The Board voted to deny two (2) abatement applications submitted by NStar dba Eversource (Parcel IDs 99-0-2 and PP1031). The Board also voted to deny two (2) abatements applications filed by Neon Inc. (Parcel IDs: PP0661 and PP0654)

The Board voted to approve an abatement to Denise Pinaridi for property that she owns that should have been classified under Chapter 61 according to an amendment that was made to her previous Forest Management Plan. This abatement applies to Parcel ID 52-0-154. The parcel containing her house (Parcel ID 52-0-131) should no longer have any chapter value associated with it and that parcel was adjusted as well.

The Assessors meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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

**List of Documents**

Monthly summary of abatements March 2019  
FY2019 Abatement Applications and attachments