

MINUTES
TOWN OF MONTAGUE ASSESSING DEPARTMENT
1 Avenue A (2nd Floor) Turners Falls, MA
September 9, 2019

A meeting of the Montague Board of Assessors was held on Monday, September 9, 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.

Karen brought the board members up to date on her analysis of the sales data used to determine the FY20 assessments. Karen proposed that changes be made to the land schedule based upon several sales of smaller sized lots. Conversely, there are several larger parcels (25 + acres) that have sold for significantly more than the assessed value. An adjustment up on the residual land would be warranted. Increases were made in residential structures as well. The average increase for all house styles is 7%. The Assessors reviewed the LA-3 as well as the LA-15 and signed both.

The Assessors signed the monthly summary of abatements issued in August, 2019.

There will be no meeting scheduled for September 16, 2019. The next meeting will take place on Monday, September 23, 2019.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved: _____

Karen M. Tonelli, M.A.A.

List of Documents

Monthly Summary of Abatements August, 2019

Various Sales Data and related PRC

Sales Report (LA-13) and Interim Adjustment Report (LA-15)