

MINUTES
TOWN OF MONTAGUE ASSESSING DEPARTMENT
1 Avenue A (2nd Floor) Turners Falls, MA
November 18, 2019

A meeting of the Montague Board of Assessors was held on Monday, November 18, 2019. Assessors present: Chairman Paul Emery, Ann Cenzano and Karen Tonelli, Director of Assessing. Terry Miner was unable to attend. The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the previous meetings held on November 4th and November 5th, 2019. The Board voted unanimously.

The Board members re-signed the Tax Agreement with FirstLight Hydro after several clerical changes were made by their Attorney. This agreement holds the value of the three contested parcels for FY2020 and FY2021. The Assessors signed abatements for FY2017 Bill#17-2, 2018 Bill#16-2 and 2019 Bill #16-2 along with corresponding TFFD bills for the same years. It was decided to table taking action on releasing overlay funds until the next meeting.

The assessors reviewed the warrant and signed MVE commitment #6 totaling \$15,428.10.

The Assessors reviewed and signed the Tax Agreement with Kearsarge Turners Falls LLC for the solar facility to be located at 131 Turnpike Road, Montague, MA. The Agreement payment schedule calls for an annual payment of \$10,800 for twenty (20) years (not including district taxes).

The Assessors signed recommitments for MVE totaling \$128.96 covering the following years: 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2014.

The Assessors reviewed and disallowed the following Chapter 61 A Applications for FY2021.

Harold Hemond
Clifford C. Spatcher

Parcel ID 32-0-51 & 81
Parcel ID 39-0-034

The Assessors reviewed and approved the following Chapter Applications for FY2021:

Chapter 61

W.D. Cowsls, Inc.	Various parcels	97.836 AC
W.D. Cowsls, Inc.	Various parcels	51.515 AC

Chapter 61A

Michael & Thomas Waidlich	25-0-9	
Mark Beaubien	38-0-7	5 acres
Suzanne Kretzenger	Various	
Jon Waidlich	18-0-02	

Board members reviewed and approved the following Statutory Exemptions for FY2020 for individuals as follows:

Lynne Duprey	Clause 41C	Carole A. Conway	Clause 41C
Cecile Chartier	Clause 41C	Patricia Lanfair	Clause 41C
Elizabeth Norwood	Clause 41C	Mildred Stone	Clause 41C
David Svoboda	Clause 41C	Elizabeth Williams	Clause 41C
Theresa W. Kimball	Clause 41C	Lucille Millane	Clause 41C
Mary A. Kobera	Clause 41C	Beverly R. Tilli	Clause 41C
Carol Barnes	Clause 41C	Florence R. Tidlund	Clause 41C
Virginia L. Hunt	Clause 41C	Lorraine Geddis	Clause 41C
Arnold Houle	Clause 41C	Muoi N. Popik	Clause 22E

Upon a motion made by the Chairman and seconded by Assessor Cenzano, it was voted to go into Executive Session under Purpose 9 to discuss on-going litigation. The Board will not return to open session.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Tonelli, M.A.A.

Approved:_____

List of Documents

Various Chapter Applications
Revised Tax Agreement with FirstLight
MVE Warrant for 2019 #6

FirstLight Abatements for FY17, 18 & 19
Solar Tax Agreement – Kearsarge Turners Falls LLC
MVE Recommitments