

MINUTES  
TOWN OF MONTAGUE ASSESSING DEPARTMENT  
1 Avenue A (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor) Turners Falls, MA  
**June 22, 2020**

A meeting of the Montague Board of Assessors was held remotely via Zoom on Monday, June 22, 2020. Assessors present: Ann Cenzano and Karen Tonelli, Director of Assessing. Chairman Paul Emery attended the meeting remotely. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Emery at 3:30 p.m.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the previous meeting (held on June 1, 2020). The Board voted unanimously to approve as printed.

It was decided that Paul Emery would continue as Chair. Karen Tonelli was appointed Director of Assessing.

Karen brought the board up to date on the plans for re-opening town hall to the public with COVID restrictions.

The Board signed Commitment #3 totaling \$24,034.79 in 2020 Motor Vehicle Excise tax. The Board also signed MVE recommitments for 2013 (\$13.75) and 2014 (\$130.00).

FY21 Preliminary tax bills are ready to be mailed July 1<sup>st</sup>. The Assessors signed Warrants for Real Property totaling \$7,960,763.80 for the Town; \$965,255.78 for TFFD; \$144,901.71 for MCFD and \$6,708.44 for MLD. Personal Property Warrants were also signed - \$1,410,868.62 for the Town; \$216,957.47 for TFFD; \$1,979.77 for MCFD and \$132.74 MLD.

The Assessors voted to deny a 2017 MVE application submitted by Toyota Motor Credit due to late filing date.

The Assessors signed monthly summary of abatements issued in April, 2020 totaling \$11,092.73 for FY2020 real estate and \$893.71 for **2020** Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes.

The Assessors signed monthly summary of abatements issued in May, 2020 totaling \$0 for real estate and \$870.13 for **2018** MVE; \$1,748.65 for **2019** MVE and \$1,764.30 for **2020** MVE Taxes.

The Selectmen decided to determine the appropriate PILOT figure for the Burn Dump Phase 2 with Kearsarge. Karen asked Steve Ellis to remove the Assessors signature lines on the agreement because the figure is not based on any acceptable appraisal methods.

It is expected that the Selectmen will vote to approve the agreement at their next meeting.

Upon a Motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to adjourn the regular session meeting at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Tonelli, M.A.A.

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

**List of Documents**

FY21 Real & Personal Preliminary Warrants

Monthly summaries of abatements/exemptions for April/May

Various spreadsheets/communications and documents re: Kearsarge PILOT #2