

MINUTES
TOWN OF MONTAGUE ASSESSING DEPARTMENT
1 Avenue A (2nd Floor) Turners Falls, MA
September 14, 2020

A meeting of the Montague Board of Assessors was held remotely via Zoom on Monday, September 14, 2020. Assessors present: Chairman Paul Emery, Ann Cenzano, Barbara Alcondada and Karen Tonelli, Director of Assessing. 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 with a clarification to add that Barbara Alconada was a teacher in the Greenfield school system. The Board welcomed the new assessor Barbara Alconada to the Board of Assessors.

The Assessors signed monthly summary of abatements and exemptions issued in August, 2020.

The Board denied a MVE abatement application due to lack of proper documentation (bill of sale).

The Assessors signed MVE 2019 Warrant #8A totaling \$107.19. The Assessors also signed Warrants for the recommitment of a 2010 MVE for \$9.39, a 2011 MVE for \$56.25 and a 2012 MVE for \$56.25.

The Assessors signed the Memorandum of Agreement letter with the Assessors for the Town of Gill agreeing to equally share the appraisal costs relative to the FY2022 appraisal for FirstLight Hydro. Costs associated with the Turners Falls Hydro facility (which is located entirely in Montague) will be paid solely by Montague and any land entirely in Gill relative to the Northfield pumping station will be solely Gill's responsibility.

Ann Cenzano asked about construction that was taking place on Millers Falls Road directly across from Industrial Blvd. Karen reported that it was another solar facility that is owned and operated by Kearsarge. They are asking for a PILOT on that project and Karen is in the process of getting financial information from them necessary to determine the value of the facility.

Upon a Motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to adjourn the meeting at 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen M. Tonelli, M.A.A.

Approved:_____

List of Documents

Monthly summary of abatements/exemptions for August

Letter agreement (MOU) re: sharing appraisal costs with Gill

MVE Commitments

MVE Application and denials