

MINUTES  
TOWN OF MONTAGUE ASSESSING DEPARTMENT  
Second Floor - Montague Town Hall - 1 Avenue A Turners Falls, MA  
**March 7, 2022**

A meeting of the Montague Board of Assessors was held on Monday, March 7, 2022. Assessors present: Chairman Paul Emery, Ann Cenzano, Ann Fisk, and Karen Tonelli, Director of Assessing. The meeting was called to order at approximately 3:30 p.m.

Upon a motion made and seconded by Ann Fisk, the board voted to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as printed.

Karen provided the Board with a copy of the most recent email communications from Mr. Pinardi who is still requesting information.

The Board signed monthly summaries of abatements/exemptions that were issued in February, 2022.

Oliva Tusinski appeared before the board remotely to discuss her property at 41K Street which was a former church. The Board had made a settlement offer and Ms. Tusinski wanted clarification on how her assessment would be determined in future years. She also provided the board with additional data comparing 41K to nearby properties. She explained her reasoning for comparison and suggested a square foot price of 24.00 for the "unfinished" area that was formerly used for pews and altar. She suggested a 48.45 per square foot assessment on the residential area which is in the process of being renovated. Karen asked if she had been inside the properties that she considered similar to hers and she stated that she had not. The Board took under advisement and will discuss later.

At 4:05 p.m. a Motion was made and seconded to enter into Executive Session under purposes 7 & 9 to discuss/take action on pending litigation and abatement applications. Chairman Emery stated that we will not return to open session. Roll call taken: Emery Yes Cenzano Yes Fisk Yes.

Regular session meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Tonelli, M.A.A.

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

**List of Documents**

Comparable summary data prepared by O. Tusinski

Pinardi Email dated 3/7/22

Summary of February Abatement/Exemptions