<u>MINUTES OF A MEETING</u> <u>MONTAGUE BOARD OF ASSESSORS</u> Montague Town Hall - 1 Avenue A Turners Falls, MA <u>March 17, 2025</u>

A meeting of the Montague Board of Assessors was held on March 17th, 2025. Assessors present: Chair Ann Cenzano, Ann Fisk, Rebecca Sabelawski, Oliver Beane, Assessor Technician, and Walter Ramsey, Town Administrator.

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.

The Board voted to approve February 26th, 2025 meeting minutes.

The Board signed monthly summaries of abatements and exemptions for February 2025.

The Board voted to make Oliver Beane, who is currently the Assessing Technician, the Interim Director of Assessing, with back pay to March 3rd, 2025 at the G1 rate. Mr. Beane stated that he would not be applying for the position permanently as he felt he was not a good fit for the position and would return to his position as Assessing Technician when a permanent Director is hired.

The Board voted to approve spending \$1800 in order to update the online mapping parcel record data. Mr. Beane stated that while the parcel boundaries and divisions were updated every year, the parcel data (ownership, assessments, and other related data) had not been updated in two years due to compatibility issues with AssessPro 5 (AP5), the Assessor's database, which had been updated from version 4. While there is currently an online updated version of AP5, it is separate from the mapping site/software. In order to update the mapping parcel data, CAI Technologies would need a one-time payment of \$1800 for the integration.

The Board vote/Roll Call to enter into Executive Session under purpose #7 to comply with, or act under the authority of, any general law (Chapter 59 Section 60) pursuant to M.G.L. c 30A Sec 21(a)(7) to take action on abatements / exemptions and under purpose #3 to discuss pending litigation (Kearsarge/Jaduke/41K St) if the chair declares that it would be detrimental to the town's position if discussion is held in an open meeting. It was announced the Board would not reconvene in open session.

Regular meeting session adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Submitted by,

Oliver Beane

<u>List of Documents</u> Monthly Summaries – February 2025