



**TOWN OF DUNBARTON
BOARD OF ASSESSORS
MINUTES MEETING
February 19, 2019**

Present: Mary LaValley
Bryan Clark
Jacques Belanger

Janice VandeBogart, Recording Secretary
Scott Marsh, Municipal Resources, Inc.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

Minutes: The minutes of the January 15, 2019 meeting were reviewed by the board. The motion from Mary LaValley to accept the minutes as written was seconded by Bryan Clark. Vote was all in favor; motion passed.

Invoices The following invoices were reviewed and approved for payment:

- George Sansoucy: PSNH \$591.51
- Mitchell Municipal Group: N E Telephone \$43.07
- Mitchell Municipal Group: PSNH \$18.34
- Municipal Resources, Inc.: Assessing services, in the amount of \$510.96.

Abatement: The Board reviewed the recommendation from MRI to grant abatement to: Daniel & Christine Pollack, E2-02-08. They issued two checks for their first and second half property taxes in November of 2018 and the checks were misplaced in the Town Office. The abatement would be for interest, fees and penalties pertaining to this account. Scott Marsh stated that this was to clear the Tax Collector's books.

The motion was made by Bryan Clark and seconded by Mary LaValley to grant the abatement to Daniel & Christine Pollack, lot E2-02-08 as recommended by Municipal Resources, Inc. The vote was all in favor; motion passed.

Timber Tax: The following documents were reviewed, approved and signed by the Board:

- Report of Wood Cut: for Travis Luksza and Alex Schroeder, 56 Stark Lane, Dunbarton, NH. Lot G2-05-16.
- Certification of Wood Cut: for Luksza and Schroeder, (above)
- Tax Warrant for Luksza and Schroeder in the amount of \$351.29.
- Correspondence from DRA, regarding Equalization process.

Petition Article: Example of the petition article was reviewed.

- Petition Article: for adoption of RSA 72:28-b, adopt Veteran Credit for anyone serving 90 days of active service.

Annual Report for the Town Report: The Annual report to be printed in the 2018 Town Report was reviewed by the Board.

Application for Veteran's Credit: The application received from Brandon Bishop; A5-02-01, 219 Kimball Pond Road, Dunbarton, NH was reviewed by Municipal Resources, Inc. Their recommendation to the board was to grant the Veteran's Credit based on the information supplied.

The motion was made by Jacques Belanger to accept the application for Veteran's Credit for Brandon Bishop as recommended by MRI. The motion was seconded by Mary LaValley. The vote was all in favor; motion passed.

Discussion with Scott Marsh from Municipal Resources, Inc.

- **The Statistical Reval** scheduled for the year 2020 was discussed. Mr. Marsh suggested that the Board put this out to bid as soon as possible, stating that it is always a good idea to get the word out early in case the town has to send out a second bid. The board agreed, stating that they would send out the RFP's after the March town meeting.
- Scott Marsh discussed the use of **Vision software**, saying that the town would be wise to stick with Vision. They are coming out with an updated version soon.
- **Assessing properties with Solar equipment.** Mr. Marsh stated that when it comes to assessing homes with Solar equipment there is not enough data that says that solar would add value because most of the equipment is leased. The amount of payback to the home owners is minimum, 1 or 2% the most, and it would take many years to break even. Most people would never get back what they put into it. Statistics show that most people are not paying more for homes with solar energy but are paying more for homes with generator systems installed. MRI does keep track of those who have solar by putting a notation on their property cards. He went on to say that most towns use solar exemptions which results in a wash. He felt that those with solar equipment on their homes would not contribute enough value for the town to bother with.
- **Contract with MRI:** It was noted that the contract with MRI needs to be put out to bid soon. The board will follow up on that as soon as possible.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Mary LaValley, Chair

Bryan Clark

Jacques Belanger
Dunbarton Board of Assessors

Recorded by: Janice VandeBogart