



Office of the
Board of Assessors

MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Tuesday December 18, 2018
6:00 p.m.
Acushnet Town Hall Meeting Room
REGULAR SESSION

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In Attendance: Marc Cenerizio, Chairman, Liberio Soares, Member, Matthew Lopes, Member
Kelly Koska, Principal Assessor and Suzanne Picard, Administrative Assistant

The meeting was opened at 6:03 p.m. with a motion made by Mr. Soares and was seconded by Mr. Lopes.

The next meeting of the Board of Assessors will be on Tuesday January 29, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room.

Agenda Topics:
New Business

1. The Certification of the Tax Rates for FY19 was approved on November 6, 2018. The Residential tax rate is \$14.18/\$1000 of value and the Commercial tax rate is \$18.20/\$1000 of value. A 25% tax shift was ratified by the Board of Selectmen for this Fiscal year.
2. The Commitment process for FY19 Actual Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes is complete as of December 14, 2018. The mailing will include third and fourth quarter actual installments for Fiscal 2019. Real Estate and Personal Property abatements may be filed with the Assessor's office starting January 2, 2019 with a deadline of February 1, 2019. Kelly reminded the public that the Abatement is challenging the value not the amount of taxes that are paid.
3. The Fiscal 2020 preliminary budget is submitted to the Finance Director. A review of matters will be discussed.
4. Fiscal 2020 is a recertification year for the Town of Acushnet. Kelly asked for a vote for the proposal to be prepared for Fiscal 2020 property tax assessment services. She will complete the draft and present it to the Board at the next meeting in January 2019.
5. The MAAO Winter School schedule is posted. Kelly would like to attend Course 200 – Principles of Assessing Procedures in March 2019 in Auburn, MA (LS, ML, MC voted and accepted).

6. The Registry of Motor Vehicles is launching the new ATLAS system for interaction with customers as well as cities and towns to provide direct access for commitment information and correction to occur electronically. As a reminder, the Registry of Motor Vehicles sends the Assessor's office a file which is then put into bills. The Assessor's office cannot make any changes to any bill, except Abate it with the right proof. No mailing address or name change can be done it has to be done at the Registry.

Old Business:

No Old Business.

Appointments:

None

Mr. Cenerizio announced that he is commencing the Open session and will go into Executive session and will reconvene in Open session.

The Board returned to Open session at 6:24 p.m.

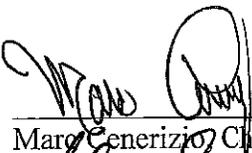
The Board voted to accept the 37A Exemption that was reviewed in Executive Session.

The Board also voted to accept the 2 Chapter applications that were reviewed and signed. A motion was made by Mr. Soares and seconded by Mr. Lopes.

The meeting was closed at 6:25 with a motion made by Mr. Soares and seconded by Mr. Lopes.

Items to Sign:

1. Minutes Open and Executive – November 20, 2018
2. End of month MV Abatement Report – November 2018
3. End of month RE Abatement Report – October 2018
4. Monthly list of MV Abatements – October 2018
5. Monthly list of RE Abatements – November 2018



Marc Cenerizio, Chairman



Liberio Soares, Member



Matthew Lopes, Member