Board of Assessment Appeals Meeting Minutes Thursday, September 13, 2018 6:30pm Brooklyn Town Hall

Present: Robert Simons, Loni Wright, Buddy Conroy, and April Lamothe; Recording Secretary **Also Present:** Public seeking appeals

- 1) **Roll Call:** Robert Simons called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.
- **2) Approval of Previous Minutes:** Buddy Conroy made a motion to accept the minutes of March 22, 2018. Loni Wright seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.
- 3) Review of Real Properties Seeking Review:

BAA913-1 Edward Mortimer – 36 Mason Hill Rd

Property: 2006 GMC Canyon 4-Wheel Drive

Reason for Appeal: Edward Mortimer felt that his motor vehicle tax bill is too high for 322,000 miles and the condition of his truck (rust). The Board viewed the truck and made a visual conformation of the mileage. Discussion ensued.

Action: Loni Wright made a motion to reduce the assessment from \$8,050 to \$4,410. Buddy Conroy seconded the motion. Discussion: Edward Mortimer felt that assessment should be lower. The Board explained the reasons for the assessment. No further discussion. Motion passed.

Reason for Action: The reduction in assessment was due to the high mileage and condition of the vehicle. The reduction was calculated by using a rough trade in (plus 4-wheel drive) and subtracting high mileage.

BAA913-2 David Martin – 42 Creamery Brook Rd

Property: 2002 Toyota Tacoma 2-Wheel Drive

Reason for Appeal: David Martin felt that his motor vehicle tax bill is too high for 230,685 miles and the condition of his truck (dents). He commented that the truck is only used for dump runs. The Board viewed the truck and made a visual conformation of the mileage. Discussion ensued.

Action: Buddy Conroy made a motion to reduce the assessment from \$4,030 to \$1,925. Robert Simmons seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.

Reason for Action: The reduction in assessment was due to the high mileage and condition of the vehicle. The reduction was calculated by using an average trade in and subtracting high mileage.

BAA913-3 Judy Shea – 16 Oakridge Dr

Property: 2004 Ford Explorer 4-Wheel Drive

Reason for Appeal: Judy Shea felt that her motor vehicle tax bill is too high for 276,973 miles and the condition vehicle (rust). The Board viewed the vehicle and made a visual conformation of the mileage. Discussion ensued.

Action: Loni Wright made a motion to reduce the assessment from \$3,470 to \$610. Buddy Conroy seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.
Reason for Action: The reduction in assessment was due to the high mileage and condition of the vehicle. The reduction was calculated by using a rough trade in and subtracting high mileage.

- 4) New Business: Robert Simmons drafted an outline of the responsibilities of the chairperson. Discussion ensued on the outline. Loni Wright suggested emailing the outline to Kathy Thornton for her to look over. Discussion ensued on the 2019 meeting dates. It was decided that March 14 and 18 (if needed) would be date for real estate and supplemental motor vehicle appeals and September 12 would be the date for motor vehicle appeals.
- 5) Election of Chairperson for the Board of Assessment Appeal for 2019: Robert Simmons nominated Buddy Conroy for Chairperson. Loni Wright seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.
- **6) Adjournment:** Robert Simmons made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm. Loni Wright seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted, April Lamothe Recording Secretary