



**Board of Assessors Meeting
November 9, 2022
Chelsea Town Office
Agenda
6:30PM**

Selectboard members in attendance: Chair Michael Pushard, Vice-Chair Sheri Truman, and Selectboard Member Jason Mills.

Call the Meeting to Order

Chair Pushard called the meeting to order at 6:02PM.

I. Abatement Request: Account #1211 | Multiple years

This abatement request was to address the computer assessment of the rail property that had reappeared on the rolls. Total amount equals \$6,452.57.

Action: Vice-Chair Truman motioned to grant the abatement for account 1211, in the amount of \$6,452.57. Selectboard Member Mills seconded. An attendee asked about the ownership of that property. Town Manager Landes explained that this abatement just removes it from the books and that research is still being conducted on the ownership. 3-0-0.

II. Abatement Request: Account #730 | \$421.75

This abatement is to remedy a homestead exemption that was inadvertently removed from account 730 in the amount of \$421.75.

Action: Selectboard member Mills motioned to grant the abatement to account 730 in the amount of \$421,75. Vice-chair Truman seconded. No discussion. 3-0-0.

Adjourn

Board of Assessors meeting was adjourned at 6:38 pm.

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I. Call Meeting to Order | Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Pushard called the meeting to order at 6:38 pm.

II. Public Comment on Items Not on Agenda

There was a question about when the plow contractors were going to arrive with their equipment in town. It was asked when Patterson Road would be graded. The Town Manager will look at the list and review it in the spring.

III. Public Hearing:

A. None

IV. Adjustments to the Agenda

None

V. Approval Consent Agenda Items:

- A. Payroll Warrant #25 in the amount of **\$8,742.91**
- B. A/P Warrant #23 in the amount of **\$839.53**
- C. A/P Warrant #24 in the amount of **\$753.50**
- D. A/P Warrant #26 in the amount of **\$274,518.79**

Action: Vice-chair Turman motioned to approve the consent agenda as presented. Selectboard member Mills seconded. No discussion. 3-0-0.

VI. Scheduled Items:

A. New Business:

- 1. Discussion with Joel Alexander, Planning Board Chair (via Zoom) and Jake Soucy regarding Solar Moratorium

Planning Board Chair Alexander briefed the board on what is being completed at the planning board level. He was concerned that they will not be able to complete work on the solar ordinance prior to the conclusion of the current moratorium. The Town Manager explained the process of extending a moratorium. Planning Board Chair Alexander also detailed how power banks can potentially affect the town and the ordinance. The extension of the moratorium will be an agenda item at the next board meeting.

Action: None taken

2. Discussion with CEO Lumbert and Fire Chief Ramage regarding recreational vehicle occupancy

Vice-chair Truman asked for a discussion surrounding individuals living in recreational vehicles while building a home or more permanently. CEO Lumbert felt it would be a hard issue to enforce. There was a question posed as to where black water for these recreational vehicles is being dumped. Chief Ramage was concerned about the possibility of carbon monoxide poisoning. Several individuals expressed concerns regarding the safety of people living in campers. Chair Pushard mentioned the possibility of having a separate ordinance regarding recreational vehicles.

Action: None taken

3. Discussion with Fire Chief Ramage regarding possible truck purchase

Chief Ramage discussed with the Board the possibility of viewing a truck from the town of Cape Elizabeth. This would replace one of the current engines and is about twelve years newer than the truck it would replace. It is estimated to be a 1998-1999 and the cost will be about \$15,000. The Board told Chief Ramage that he didn't need their permission to look at a truck. Selectboard member Mills will try to accompany Chief Ramage to see the truck.

Action: None taken

B. Old Business:

1. NONE

VII. Legal:

- A. NONE

VIII. Written Communication:

- A. **Town Manager Report**
The Town Manager briefly reviewed her report that was provided in the package materials.
- B. **Town Clerk Report**
None provided
- C. **Code Enforcement Report**
CEO Lumbert has been very busy dealing with violations. His focus is on 329 Togus Road. The Board thanked him for a job well done.
- D. **Animal Control Report**
The report was in the package materials. The Town Manager will secure a back-up.

IX. Verbal Communication:

- A. **SVRSU #12 School Board**
None provided.
- B. **Boards and Committees**
The Age Friendly members gave an update surrounding the tree lighting. The Heart & Soul committee will submit a proposed resolution for the next board meeting. The Planning Board gave a brief update on what they have been working on.
- C. **Municipal Officers/Assessors Comments and Concerns**
The municipal officers were in agreement to reschedule the 23rd of November meeting to the 30th of November.

X. Executive Session:

- A. None

XI. Adjournment

Action: Selectboard member Mills motioned to adjourn. Vice-chair Truman seconded. 2-0-0.

Adjourned at 8:17pm.

Selectboard Meeting Minutes November 9, 2022

Respectfully submitted:

Christine M. Lande

Town Manager

Signed this _____ day of _____ 2022.

Chair Michael Pushard

Vice-Chair Sheri Truman

Selectboard Member Jason Mills

A true copy, Attest:

Cheryl Mitchell, Town Clerk