

**BOARD OF ABATEMENT
&
BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY
February 24, 2016**

Present: Carol Howrigan
Dennis Angiono
Bob Bancroft
Caroline Brown
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Christine O'Donnell
Nanette Rogers

Guests: Scot & Kimberlee Phillips

The Board of Abatement/Civil Authority met on Wednesday, February 24, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Office.

Nanette Rogers nominated Christine O'Donnell as Chair, seconded by Bob Bancroft. Motion passed: 7:0.

SCOT & KIMBERLEE PHILLIPS – TAX ABATEMENT

Scot and Kimberlee Phillips submitted a request for tax abatement on February 12, 2016. The Phillips are requesting an abatement on a portion of their 2015 property taxes. In July 2015, tax bills were sent to Scot & Kimberlee Phillips and Frena Phillips. Scot and Kim submitted a Homestead Declaration for their property and Frena submitted one for her property. The August and November installments on each property were paid as billed.

Caroline Brown submitted a timeline of the events up to January 2016.

In January 2016 the Current Use department advised the Listers of an error in the Grand List with regard to Scot and Kimberlee's property. Based on a deed filed in November 2014, Frena conveyed a portion of her property to Scot and Kimberlee (the remainder was conveyed to Charles Phillips).

Unfortunately, the Town's tax mapper interpreted the deed as Frena having a life estate, which is why she received a tax bill in July for the property. Upon being advised of the error, the Listers corrected the Grand List to reflect the deed that was filed in November 2014 and a revised tax bill was sent to Scot and Kimberlee, which included the property they received from Frena.

When Scot and Kimberlee received their revised tax bill they contacted the Town. The Town explained what had happened. Scot and Kimberlee's tax bill increased by almost \$7,850. Even though separate tax bills were mailed to Scot and Kimberlee and Frena, Scot and Kimberlee paid the August and November tax installments on both tax bills. The bill Frena received had a State credit of \$4,930 based on the Homestead Declaration filed. This credit did not transfer to the revised bill that Scot and Kimberlee received. They said the new bill was quite a shock for them and do not have time to save up money to pay the new amount due March 15th. They are requesting an abatement of \$4,900 or a portion thereof.

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The Board advised Scot and Kimberlee that they will deliberate and notify them of the Board's decision.

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS AND CHALLENGES TO CHECKLIST

The town clerk supplied a list for the board to review of additions and deletions made to the checklist since the last election, as well as voters to send challenge letters to.

Additions

Amanda Adams
Scott Baker
Lucille Barrette
Robin Barrette
Rebecca Barwin
Alan Benoit
Daniel Blum
Brenda Bolio
Jason Brunelle
Jodey Byers
Charles Cobb
Caila Corcoran
Brandon Cote
Katherine Craig
Elliott Cross
Patricia Currier
Robert Currier Jr
Isabel Dunkley
Kathi Echelberger
Lauren Echelberger
Michelle Echelberger
Thomas Echelberger
David Forbes
Jillian Frenette
Courtney Gabaree
Amy Goodrich-Riley
Patrick Grant
Bayley Greer
Marissa Guidry
Lisa Gunn
Lance Hanlon
Barbara Hauzinger
Laurie Herr
India Hoover
Alexandra Hoppe
Sally Jablonski
Jeffrey Jewell

Seth Kirschner
Lillian Kolbenson
Avery Lamphere
Damien Larose
Mandy Larose
Jon Leblanc
Bethany Lemnah
Molly Lovelette
Nancy Lynch
Amy Mcfaun
Spencer Perkins
Kelsi Powers
Morgan Quimby
Corey Rainville
Heather Ransom
Megan Ratajczak
Allen Reynolds Jr
Olivia Root
Kelly Saunders
Kevin Scott
David Smith
Jeffrey Spencer
Meryl St John
Patrick St John
Patrick Stearns
Suzanne Tomlinson
Carl Treadway
Daniel Treadway Jr
Kathleen Treadway
Sean Vanzo
Thomas Vanzo
Andrew Wagner
Caleb Weinhagen
John Wiggins
James Williams
Clara Winfield

Deletions

Cheryl Ahokas
Michael Albert
Alyssa Baker
Deborah Balon

Chester Balon
Dana Bibb
Scott Brochu
Richard Cassano

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Alise Certa
John Duby
Anthony Elmore
Amy Fleming
Katie Fortin
Matthew Golden
Frank Hassler
M Hathaway
Daniel Hill
Sarah Himes
Helene Jorschick
Joanne Kilburn
Sherwin Kilburn
Jordan Larson

Evangeline A Morin
Michelle Noble
Thomas Noble
Loretta O'connor
Jamie O'donnell
Amanda Quinlan
Julia Russell
Emily Santaw
Lauren Tessier
Douglas Tuck
Jennifer Tucker
Bridget Vanzo
Robin Weber

Letters of Intent

Aspden, Donald
Aspden, Lucinda
Edson, Matthew
Edson, Mia
Gauthier, Mary
Gregoritsch, Albert
Gregoritsch, Tia
Hardy, Linda
Hardy, James
Hibbs, John

Hill, Ray
Leach, Janice
Lichtenstein, Eisha
Lichtenstein, Elias
Lichtenstein, Sarah Rose
Meltzer, Jason
Pelkey, Kathryn
Smith, Emily
Tassie, Heather

Bob Bancroft made a motion to approve the additions and deletions and send letters of intent to the voters above, seconded by Dennis Angiono. Motion passed: 7-0.

MINUTES

Bob Bancroft made a motion to approve the October 29, 2015 minutes as written, seconded by Carol Howrigan. Motion passed: 7-0.

TOWN MEETING & PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY

The Board and Nanette discussed the new checklist and how to set up given that a voter had to identify which ballot he/she wanted for the Presidential Primary, Democratic or Republican. It was decided there would be three people checking voters in and handing out the requested ballots. If a voter requests a Presidential Primary ballot, a D or an R will be noted on the checklist. The same process will be done with the exit checklist.

Nanette reminded the Board that 17 year olds who will be 18 by the General Election may vote in the Presidential Primary however they cannot vote on the local ballot. There are five 17 year olds who registered to vote prior to the deadline.

DELIBERATIVE SESSION

The Board deliberated the Phillips tax abatement request. The Board granted an abatement in the amount of \$2,465.

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ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine O'Donnell, Chair
Board of Civil Authority

Nanette Rogers
Town Clerk