

BOARD OF ASSESSORS - TOWN OF PEMBROKE
MINUTES – April 18, 2023 – 4:30 pm meeting

Present:

Board Members

Elaine Boidi, MAA, Member

Mary Quill, MAA, Member

Jeanne Gigliotti, MAA, Chief Assessor

William Chenard, Town Manager

Items Signed: Real Estate Exemption(s), Real Estate Abatement(s), Monthly real estate and excise abatement totals, Deferral

Appointments: none

M. Quill opens the meeting at 4:30 p.m. 2nd By E. Boidi

W. Chenard discusses the request for a transfer of \$435,000 from the overlay account to the overlay surplus account to cover budget deficits and contract ratifications. This large request amount is anticipated to be a onetime occurrence. M. Quill motions to transfer the requested amount. E.Boidi 2nds. All in favor.

Monthly abatement totals signed by BOA.

Discussion of Veterans exemption Clause 22H. In August 2022 the office reached out to Department of Revenue, DLS Law division regarding when the full exemption would take effect. Office was told by Mark Gould of DLS Law that if the 22H exemption was adopted at the Town meeting held in October 2022, it would first become available for Fiscal Year 2024. On March 23, 2023, DLS Law was again reached out to for clarification on when the exemption would take effect, as there was conflicting information received by the office. John Gannon of DLS Law responded with a voicemail stating that once approved at town meeting, the Veterans Clause 22H full exemption would immediately take effect, thus being available for the current fiscal year.

At 4:50 PM on a motion by M. Quill and seconded by E. Boidi, the Board voted unanimously to go into executive session under MGL c30A, Sec 21(a) 7, to comply with, or act under the authority of MGL c59, Sec. 60.. The Board took up the consideration of FY2023 Property Tax Exemption Applications, Abatement requests, and 3ABC applications for charitable organizations.

Exemption Application(s) acted on
Abatement Application(s) acted on.

Upon completion of the executive session at 5:05 p.m., M. Quill motions to affirm the votes in open session. E. Boidi 2nds. All in favor.

Discussion of excise abatements for vehicles registered out of state. Emily Izzo of Depart of Revenue, DLS Law division has stated that registering a vehicle out of state can be used to abate excise bills. Office policy will now be to base the abatement date (cancellation) on the date the vehicle was registered out of state as seen on the out of state registration, once Massachusetts registration has been cancelled.

Chapter 61 Forestry Application discussed. New owner purchased property classified under Chapter 61 on 10/26/22 and submitted altered forest management plan for recording at Registry of Deeds. Property previously appearing as forest now appears to have major changes as seen on Nearmap. BOA requests J. Gigliotti reach out to Philip Benjamin who previously submitted the forest management plan for guidance.

At 5:30 pm, M. Quill motions to accept the minutes of the 3-24-23 BOA meeting.
E. Boidi 2nds. All in favor.

Next BOA meeting to be held on Monday May 15, 2023.

M. Quill motions to adjourn at 5:40 p.m. E. Boidi 2nds. All in favor.

BOA MEETING MAY 15, 2023 5:30PM