

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Brookline, Mass.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Assessors Held March 26, 2019

The Board convened at 4:00 p.m. on March 26, 2019. Present were members of the Board Gary McCabe, Harold Petersen and Mark Mazur.

Minutes

The Board approved the minutes of their February 26, 2019 meeting as amended.

NSTAR

The Board was notified that NSTAR has appealed the recent State Court of Appeals decision in favor of the Appellee (Boston Assessors) to the Supreme Judicial Court.

Legislation

The Board was made aware of bill #H3617 in the state legislature that would make significant changes to clause 41A deferrals statewide.

Statutory Exemptions

The Board acted on five Fiscal Year 2019 statutory exemptions, denying one and granting four. The Board signed a summary sheet for those granted. The Board signed exemption certificates for each exemption granted and a denial notice for the exemption that was denied.

Residential Exemptions

The Board acted on ten Fiscal Year 2019 residential exemptions, granting nine and denying one. The Board signed a summary sheet for those granted and another summary sheet for those denied. The Board signed exemption certificates for those granted and a denial notice for the one denied.

Senior Work-Off Abatements

The Board approved five Fiscal Year 2019 senior work-off abatements and signed abatement certificates for each.

Personal Property Abatement Applications

The Board acted on three Fiscal Year 2019 personal property abatement applications, granting two and denying one. The Board signed abatement certificates for each one granted and a denial notice for the one that was denied.

Real Estate Abatement Applications

The Board acted on eighty Fiscal Year 2019 real estate abatement applications, granting sixteen and denying sixty-four. The Board signed a summary sheet for those granted and another summary sheet for those denied. The Board signed abatement certificates for those granted and authorized the use of a Board signature stamp on each of the denial notices.

Uncollectible Personal Property

Under the authority of Chapter 59 Section 71 and at the request of the Tax Collector the Board granted a Fiscal Year 2018 personal property abatement as uncollectible. The Board then signed an abatement certificate for it.

Appellate Tax Board Cases

The Board granted three Fiscal Year 2018 real estate abatements for Appellate Tax Board cases decided in favor of the appellants. The Board signed a summary sheet for the three abatements and an abatement certificate for each abatement.

Motor Vehicle Excise

The Board denied two motor vehicle excise abatements, one for 2017 and one for 2018. The Board signed the applications as denied for each.

Next Board Meetings

The Board's next two Board meetings will be at 4:00 PM on Tuesday April 9, 2019 and Tuesday April 23, 2019.

The meeting adjourned at 5:55 P.M.

A true record.

Attest: Mark J. Mazur, Clerk