

# **BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

Brookline, Mass.

## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Assessors Held May 28, 2019**

The Board convened at 4:00 p.m. on May 28, 2019. Present were members of the Board Gary McCabe, Harold Petersen and Mark Mazur.

### **Minutes**

The Board approved the minutes of their May 14, 2019 meeting.

### **NSTAR**

The Board discussed the status of our NSTAR (Eversource) personal property ATB cases. While we believe that we are in a good position to resolve these cases eventually there has been no recent movement towards a resolution.

### **Tax Deferral Flier**

The Board reviewed recent updates to the flier describing our Tax Deferral program. Changes to the interest rate and an increase in the income limit were noted.

### **Senior Work-Off Abatements**

The Board granted three Fiscal Year 2019 Senior Work-Off abatements. The Board signed a summary sheet for the abatements and abatement certificates for each abatement granted.

### **Uncollectible Abatements**

The Board granted four personal property abatements at the request of the Tax Collector and under the authority of M.G.L. Chapter 59 Section 71. Three of the abatements were for Fiscal Year 2016 and one was for Fiscal Year 2017. The Board signed abatement certificates for each abatement granted.

### **Abatement Analysis Report**

The Board reviewed and discussed at length a report that listed our Fiscal Year 2019 abatement applications by property class.

### **Water and Sewer Rates**

The Board discussed the increase of water and sewer rates and possible relief for taxpayers.

### **Town Meeting**

The Board discussed recent decisions by Town Meeting approving our budget and the doubling of exemption amounts for Fiscal Year 2020.

### **Next Board Meetings**

The Board's next Board meeting will be at 4:00 PM on Tuesday June 18, 2019.

The meeting adjourned at 4:53 P.M.

A true record.

Attest: Mark J. Mayur, Clerk