

Town Of Sandwich

THE OLDEST TOWN ON CAPE COD

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS
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SANDWICH BOARD OF ASSESSORS

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The Board of Assessors meeting is called to order at 4:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Robert James, Chair; Nick Fernandes, Vice Chair; Ben Styche, Assistant Assessor and Laura Watts, Recording Secretary

ABSENT: Larry Harrington, Member

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes from the meeting held on January 21, 2020 cannot be approved as there is not a quorum of the Board. Mr. James was not in attendance at that meeting.

PUBLIC FORUM: NONE

DIRECTOR OF ASSESSING REPORT:

To date, a total of ninety abatement applications have been received for FY'20, sixty-nine for real estate and twenty-one for personal property.

REVIEW & SIGN ANY SIGNATURE ITEMS:

- Month Ends – January 2020
- 2019 Motor Vehicle Commitment #7 - \$7,168.36
- 2019 Motor Vehicle Commitment #8 - \$14,751.09
- 2020 Motor Vehicle Commitment #1 - \$2,747,516.96
- 2019 Motor Vehicle Recommitment #84 - \$1,544.52
- 2018 Motor Vehicle Recommitment #89 - \$226.25

REVIEW ABATEMENTS/EXEMPTIONS:

Mr. Fernandes motions to enter into Executive Session at 4:40 p.m. to comply with M.G.L. Ch. 30A § 21(a)(7) and M.G.L. Ch. 59 § 60 for the purpose of discussing abatements and exemptions. Mr. James seconds. Mr. Fernandes and Mr. James approve the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

The Board reconvenes in Open Session at 5:16 p.m.

OTHER MATTER NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED: NONE

Mr. Harrington motions to adjourn. Mr. Fernandes seconds. The vote is unanimous.

The meeting adjourns at 5:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "L. Watts", written in a cursive style.

Laura C. Watts, Recording Secretary

Cc: Town Clerk

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EXECUTIVE SESSION SANDWICH BOARD OF ASSESSORS

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The following exemptions were reviewed and recommended for approval as they meet all the criteria for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on FY'20 real estate tax bills. (See Exemption Log dated 2/4/2020 Bill #1061-9587)

Mr. Fernandes motions to approve the exemptions. Mr. James seconds. Mr. Fernandes and Mr. James approve the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

The following exemptions were reviewed and recommended for approval as they meet all the criteria for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on FY'20 real estate tax bills. (See Exemption Log dated 2/4/2020 Bill #136-136)

Mr. Fernandes motions to approve the exemptions. Mr. James seconds. Mr. Fernandes and Mr. James approve the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

The following real estate abatements were reviewed and recommended for approval as they meet all the criteria for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on FY'20 and FY'19 real estate tax bills. (See Abatement Log dated 2/4/2020 Bill #868-8932)

Mr. Fernandes motions to approve the abatements. Mr. James seconds. Mr. Fernandes and Mr. James approve the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

After a brief discussion, the FY'20 real estate abatement applications for 7 & 8 Brightside Lane will be reanalyzed and discussed at the Boards next meeting.

Mr. Fernandes motions to return to open session at 5:16 p.m. Mr. James seconds. Mr. Fernandes and Mr. James approve the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura C. Watts, Recording Secretary
Cc: Town Clerk



Supporting Documents:

1. Sandwich Assessing Exemption Log, Bill #1061-9587, dated February 4, 2020 (1 page)
2. Sandwich Assessing Exemption Log, Bill #136-136, dated February 4, 2020 (1 page)
3. Sandwich Assessing Abatement Log, Bill #101162-8932, dated February 4, 2020 (1 page)