

Town Of Sandwich

THE OLDEST TOWN ON CAPE COD

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS
ASSESSING DEPARTMENT



April 6, 2021

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SANDWICH BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Board of Assessors meeting is called to order at 4:31 p.m.

PRESENT via Zoom: Nick Fernandes, Chair; Larry Harrington, Vice Chair; Robert James, Member; Ed Childs, Director of Assessing; Ben Styche, Assistant Assessor and Laura Watts, Recording Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. James motions to approve the minutes from the meeting held 3/16/2021 as written. Mr. Harrington seconds. Mr. Fernandes, Mr. James and Mr. Harrington approve the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

PUBLIC FORUM: NONE

ASSESSING DEPARTMENT UPDATES:

Mr. Styche tells the Board that Mr. Childs is back in the office. Motor vehicle excise abatements have slowed down since the first commitment was issued. The office will begin ramping up for the preliminary billing.

SIGN SIGNATURE ITEMS:

The Board will be into sign signature items over the next few days.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. James motions to enter into Executive Session at 4:35 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 and to comply with M.G.L. Ch. 30A § 22(f) for the review, potential approval and potential release of Executive Session meeting minutes from 3/16/2021. Mr. Harrington seconds. Mr. Fernandes, Mr. Harrington and Mr. James approve the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

The Board reconvenes in Open Session at 4:40 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

OTHER MATTERS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED: NONE

ADJOURNMENT:

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



The meeting adjourns at 4:41 p.m.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "L. Watts".

Respectfully submitted,
Laura C. Watts, Recording Secretary
Cc: Town Clerk

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The following personal property and real estate abatements were reviewed and recommended for approval as they meet all the criteria for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on FY'21 real estate tax bills. (See Abatement Log dated 4/6/2021 Bill #5672-5685)

Mr. James motions to approve the real estate and personal property abatements. Mr. Harrington seconds. Mr. Fernandes, Mr. James and Mr. Harrington 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'21 real estate tax bills. (See Exemption Log dated 4/6/2021 Bill #3037-9527)

The following exemptions were reviewed and recommended for denial as they did not meet all the criteria for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on FY'21 real estate tax bills. (See Exemption Log dated 4/6/2021 Bill #7266-10345)

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

Mr. James motions to approve and release the Executive Session meeting minutes from the meeting held 3/16/2021 as written. Mr. Harrington seconds. Mr. Fernandes, Mr. James and Mr. Harrington approve the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

Mr. James motions to return to open session at 4:40 p.m. Mr. Harrington seconds. Mr. Fernandes, Mr. James and Mr. Harrington approve the motion unanimously by roll call vote.

Respectfully Submitted,


Laura C. Watts, Recording Secretary

Cc: Town Clerk



Supporting Documents:

1. Sandwich Assessing Abatement Log, Bill #5672-5685, dated April 6, 2021 (1 page)
2. Sandwich Assessing Exemption Log, Bill #3037-9527, dated April 6, 2021 (1 page)
3. Sandwich Assessing Exemption Denial Log, Bill #7266-10345, dated April 6, 2021 (1 page)