# Town of Millville BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Longfellow Municipal Center

# Minutes of Meeting February 26, 2013

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Members Present:

Karin Furno, Gail Marquedant and Natalia Alward

Members Absent:

None.

#### <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

Nine (9) completed Personal Property Forms of List have been received thus far.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 29, 2013: On a motion by Alward and second by Marquedant, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes of January 29, 2013.

#### **PUBLIC FORUM**

The Board would like to eliminate one of the public forum sessions from the agenda; the Assessor Clerk will check into whether there are any requirements for having two sessions.

## **CORRESPONDENCE** (none)

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Marquedant, stating that Alward had the longer tenure on the Board, nominated Alward for Vice Chairperson. There being no objections and on a motion by Marquedant and second by Furno, the Board voted unanimously to elect Alward as Vice Chair.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

<u>Vouchers</u> – On a motion by Alward and second by Furno, the Board votes to approve and sign one (1) voucher for postage.

Motor Vehicle Excise Abatements – On a motion by Furno and second by Alward, the Board votes unanimously to sign seven (7) Motor Vehicle Excise Abatement Applications (2013-4; 2012-2; 2010-1).

Motor Vehicle Commitment Warrant Books – On a motion by Marquedant and second by Alward, the Board votes unanimously to sign the Motor Vehicle Commitment Warrant Books (2013.1 & 2012.7).

Monthly Reports – On a motion by Furno and second by Marquedant, the Board votes unanimously to sign the Motor Vehicle Abatement Turnover reports for February (4), levies of 2013, 2012, 2011 and 2010.

<u>Application for Real Estate Abatement</u> – After reviewing twelve (12) applications for Real Estate Abatements and on a motion by Furno and second by Marquedant, the Board votes unanimously, based on the advice of Ellis Withington of Mayflower, to grant and sign eight real estate abatements and deny four (4) applications.

<u>Payroll Signatures</u> – On a motion by Furno and second by Marquedant, the Board votes unanimously to ratify the email vote that had been taken to have Helen Coffin be the second signature on the Assessor Clerk's payroll voucher. On a

motion by Furno and second by Marquedant, the Board votes unanimously to have Marquedant initially sign the Assessor Clerk's payroll vouchers at the Board meetings, then have Furno come in just before payroll submission as she does now; the backup plan will remain to have Helen Coffin be the second signature on the voucher if/when the need arises.

<u>Personal Property Exemption</u> — After a brief discussion and on a motion by Marquedant and second by Furno, the Board votes unanimously to modify the previously accepted provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 54, to be effective July 1, 2013, amending it to exempt assessment of taxes for personal property accounts with valuations of \$1,000 or less, as opposed to the current amount, that being accounts of \$5,000.00, or less, and to place this proposed amendment on the Town Warrant for the upcoming Annual Town Meeting.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On a motion by Alward and second by Marquedant, the Board votes unanimously to enter Executive Session to review and discuss elderly exemption applications and then return to Open Session. Roll Call Vote: Furno, aye; Marquedant, aye; Alward, aye.

The Board reviewed and voted on the real estate exemption application (Executive Session Minutes of 02/26/13). One (1) Exemption was reviewed and granted.

On a motion by Alward and second by Marquedant, the Board votes unanimously to exit Executive Session and return to Open Session. Roll Call Vote: Furno, aye; Marquedant, aye; Alward, aye.

## NEXT MEETING

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 26, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.

FINAL PUBLIC FORUM (none)

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted,

On a motion by Furno and second by Marquedant, the Board votes unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Karin Furno, Chairperson

Gail Marquedant

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APPROVED AND SIGNED ON MARCH 26, 2013