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**MINUTES OF BOARD OF ASSESSORS' MEETING
FEBRUARY 12, 2024**

William Garreffi, Chairman called the Session to order at 4:45 p.m. in the Planning & Development Conference Room. In attendance was William Garreffi - Chairman; Andy Machado – Secretary; Mel Pauze – Board Member; R. Lane Partridge – Director; and Lisa Henderson – Clerk.

ROLL CALL

Garreffi-present; Machado-present; Pauze-present

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

DIRECTOR UPDATE: We have received approximately 355 abatement applications so far with roughly 30 coming in on the last day and we expect a little more to come in through the mail. Many abatements are for secondary home owners. We are still processing Residential Exemptions and Personal Exemptions. The total amount of abatements so far accounts for less than 1% of properties in Barnstable which is good. I have a meeting coming up with Massachusetts Municipal Association Executive Board to discuss the Governor's new municipal bill that will have an effect on Assessing across the State. We will then put out a survey out to Assessors across the State to see where they stand and proceed from there.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Board discussed accepting the minutes of the January 8, 2024 meeting.
There was a motion and a second to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2024 meeting.
Vote was **UNANIMOUS** to **APPROVE** the minutes of the January 8, 2024 meeting.

Garreffi-yes; Machado-yes; Pauze-yes

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was a motion and a second to convene Executive Session for the following reasons:

Pursuant to G.L. c. 30A §21(a)(7), to comply with G.L. c. 59 §60 the Board of Assessors may vote to go into EXECUTIVE SESSION to review, approve the minutes of the executive session held on January 8 2024 and to review and approve Monthly Reports, Motor Vehicle Commitment(s) and Warrant(s), Real Estate Commitment(s) and Warrant(s), Reassessed Tax List(s), Statutory Exemptions, Residential Exemption applications, Charitable Exemption and Chapter Land applications and abatement applications.

Pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, s. 21 (a)(3), the Board of Assessors may vote to go into Executive Session to review and discuss pending litigation strategy at the Appellate Tax Board.

If so voted, the Board will reconvene in Open Session.

Roll call vote to enter Executive Session at 4:59 PM.
Vote was **UNANIMOUS** to enter Executive Session.

Garreffi-yes; Machado-yes; Pauze-yes

The Board exited executive session at 5:20 PM.

The next Board of Assessors Meeting is tentatively scheduled for: **Monday March 11, 2024 4:45 pm in the Planning & Development Conference Room.**

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM

Minutes prepared by Lisa Henderson under the supervision of Andy Machado - Secretary


Andy Machado - Secretary