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MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION – NOVEMBER 15, 2023 4:30 P.M. ROOM 14

PRESENT: Chairman Joshua Lioce, Members Paul Simas and Steven Borges, and Assessor/Administrator Jennifer Sclar.

Mr. Lioce called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m.

GENERAL BUSINESS

The Board expressed their gratitude to former Chairman of the Board of Assessors, Joe Arcudi, for his many years of service, leadership, and friendship.

A motion was made by Mr. Simas to approve the minutes of the July 26, 2023 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Borges. The motion passed unanimously.

The following bills were reviewed for fiscal year 2024:

Corinne Sanborn	\$141.15
Corinne Sanborn	\$91.64
Corinne Sanborn	\$128.25
Corinne Sanborn	\$101.72
MA DOR	\$100.00
MA DOR	\$100.00
Worcester Registry of Deeds	\$8.00
Worcester Registry of Deeds	\$18.00
Worcester Registry of Deeds	\$24.00
WB Mason	\$23.99
WB Mason	\$26.98
WB Mason	\$134.99
WB Mason	\$28.98
WB Mason	\$32.09
WB Mason	\$16.58
WB Mason	\$37.18
WB Mason	\$57.96
WB Mason	\$28.99
Embroidery Bar	\$128.00
CoStar	\$512.18
CoStar	\$512.18
CoStar	\$512.18
IAAO	\$240.00
Joanne Dillon	\$44.96
Jennifer Sclar	\$52.64
Catalis	\$14,336.00
Catalis	\$7,344.00
Catalis	\$27,295.20



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NEW BUSINESS

Jennifer informed the Board that she attended the Select Board meeting on November 6, 2023, where the Board voted to increase the senior work-off abatement earnings to \$2,000.00.

A motion was made by Mr. Simas to include water, sewer, and income/expense liens to with the actual tax bill files as listed. The motion was seconded by Mr. Borges. The motion passed unanimously.

Water Liens	\$ 25,374.09
Committed Interest	\$ 1,400.76
Sewer Liens	\$222,906.05
Committed Interest	\$ 26,802.41
Income/Expense Liens	\$ 41,850.00
Total	\$318,333.31

The Board reviewed three price quotes for a 2023 Ford Escape and three quotes for a 2024 Hyundai Tucson. The Board suggested requesting the quotes include extended warranties and the vehicle be white, which is typical of municipal fleets. The Board also preferred the Ford over the Hyundai.

The Board reviewed the value changes among all classes of property and the approved new growth for FY2024. The Board also reviewed the tax rate recap and proposed tax rate shift options. This data will be presented at the Classification Hearing on November 20, 2023 where the tax rate and shift will be chosen.

Jennifer informed the Board that if the tax rate shift remains the same as last year, the payments in lieu of tax payment for the Milford Power Company will be approximately \$190,000 and for the Milford Housing Authority will be approximately \$10,900. Letters will be sent once the tax rate is set.

The Board signed the annual assessors notice, state tax form 1, to be posted in the office on by January 1, 2024.

The Board signed the real estate and personal property commitment book statements for FY 2024.

Jennifer informed the Board of recent legislation changing the deadline to file Chapterland applications from October 1 to December 1 annually. Letters were sent to applicants notifying them of this change.



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SET MEETING DATES

The next Board meeting is scheduled for November 29, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Simas at 6:15 p.m. to adjourn the open session and enter executive session pursuant to G.L. c.30A section 21(a) purpose number 7 and the Board will not reconvene to open session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Borges. By roll call, Mr. Simas – yes, Mr. Borges – yes, Mr. Lioce - yes. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Sclar, Clerk

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Exhibits: Minutes 7/26/2023
Fiscal year 2024 bills payable
Tax Rate Recap FY2024
Classification hearing presentation FY2024
Memo to Select Board regarding the small commercial exemption
Senior Tax Work Off Booklet
List of Water, Sewer and Income/Expense Liens to tax bills FY2024
Memo to Chapterland owners regarding new filing deadline dated 10/2/2023
Commitment Book statements for real estate and personal property FY2024
Annual assessors notice, state tax form 1