

**WILMINGTON BOARD OF ABATEMENT
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 2013 AT 5:30PM
MINUTES OF MEETING**

The Wilmington Board of Abatement convened at 5:30pm on June 19, 2013 in the second floor meeting room of Town Hall.

IN ATTENDANCE: Selectboard – Meg Streeter, Susie Haughwout (also as Town Clerk), Diane Chapman, Jim Burke; Justices of the Peace – Elizabeth McEwen, Tom Fitzgerald, Fred Houston, Frank Spencer; Listers – Len Chapman, Lynne Matthews, Kay Schwader, Diane Schipke; Town Treasurer – Christine Richter.

The Board heard the following cases:

ST MARY’S IN THE MOUNTAINS – Episcopal Church, 95 East Main Street

RECUSALS: Elizabeth McEwen, Diane & Len Chapman and Jim Burke who are members of the church.

Testimony heard from Patti Burke that the building suffered heavy mold damage after the flood of August 28, 2011. The church was not habitable from 9/4/2011 through the date of recent sale, 5/31/2013. They are requesting abatement of sewer tax for that time period.

MOTION TO ABATE SEWER TAXES for the period of 9/4/2011 through 5/31/13 for property owned by **ST MARY’S IN THE MOUNTAINS** and to issue a refund, made by Meg Streeter and seconded by Tom Fitzgerald. VOICE VOTE – ALL IN FAVOR

Treasurer Christine Richter presented a spreadsheet (attached) of delinquent tax amounts less than \$5 which she requested the Board to abate. She explained that for accounting housekeeping purposes, the Selectboard had adopted a policy to request abatements for amounts under \$5, rather than carrying them forward or chasing them down with the expense of staff time and postage. The .42cent stamp is often more than the delinquent amount.

MOTION TO ABATE the delinquencies listed on the spreadsheet presented by the Treasurer as of this date, made by Tom Fitzgerald and seconded by Meg Streeter. VOICE VOTE – ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION TO ADJOURN made by Tom Fitzgerald and seconded by Jim Burke.
VOICE VOTE - ALL IN FAVOR - ADJOURNED – 5:46pm

TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, INFORMATION AND BELIEF, THESE MINUTES ARE A TRUE AND OFFICIAL RECORD OF ALL ACTION TAKEN AT THE BOARD OF ABATEMENT MEETING HELD, JUNE 19, 2013.

MINUTES PREPARED ON JUNE 20, 2013.

ATTEST: _____ DATE: _____
Susan Joy Haughwout, Wilmington Town Clerk

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