## WILMINGTON BOARD OF ABATEMENT WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2016 AT 5:30PM MINUTES OF MEETING

The Wilmington Board of Abatement convened at 5:30pm on December 8, 2016 in the second floor meeting room of Town Hall.

IN ATTENDANCE: A quorum was achieved with 10 out of 17 members present. Selectboard – Tom Fitzgerald, Diane Chapman, John Gannon, Vince Rice and Susie Haughwout (also as Town Clerk); Justices of the Peace – Tom Consolino; Listers – Len Chapman, Lynne Matthews, Diane Schipke; Town Treasurer – Christine Richter.

- 1. CALLED TO ORDER at 5:35pm by Clerk
- 2. NO CHANGES TO AGENDA
- 3. ELECTION OF CHAIR Susie Haughwout nominated Vince Rice as Chair, seconded by Tom Fitzgerald. There were no other nominations. Elect Vince Rice at Chair VOICE VOTE ALL IN FAVOR.
- 4. NO PUBLIC COMMENT
- 5. PASSED OVER APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- 6. NO CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED
- 7. Chair Vince Rice swore in the Board of Abatement
- 8. The Board heard the following requests for abatement of taxes:

## HERMAN & NANCY CRAWFORD - owner of 204 Parsons Road

Mrs. Crawford forwarded to the BOA a letter from the Wilmington Fire Department stating that the structures on the above property were a total loss due to fire on September 17, 2016.

Deb Kingsley provided the breakdown of assessed value for the property showing a value of \$105,000 for the house and garage.

Christine Richter mentioned that there was a \$300 state payment applied to the Crawford's tax bill.

9. MOTION TO GO INTO DELIBERATIVE SESSION made by Tom Consolino, seconded by Diane Chapman. VOICE VOTE – ALL IN FAVOR – MOTION PASSED. Entered 5:40pm.

While in Deliberative Session Mrs. Crawford arrived. The BOA suspended the Deliberative Session at 5:43pm to allow testimony from Mrs. Crawford. She was sworn in by the Chair. Tom Fitzgerald recapped for Mrs. Crawford that the board was satisfied that there was a fire on Sept 17, 2016 and that the house and garage were a total loss. Mrs. Crawford stated that they had begun to rebuild, experiencing some delays due to weather. The Crawford's hope to be able to move in during the summer. Mrs. Crawford exited and the Board resumed Deliberative Session at 5:45pm.

The Board of Abatement exited deliberative session at 5:55pm.

MOTION TO ABATE TAXES for property owned by HERMAN & NANCY CRAWFORD located at 204 Parsons Road, for the period of 9/17/16 through 6/30/17 on the assessed value of \$105,000, minus the amount of the State payment made by Diane Chapman, seconded by John Gannon. VOICE VOTE – ALL IN FAVOR – MOTION PASSED.

OTHER BUSINESS: none

MOTION TO ADJOURN made by Tom Consolino, seconded by Tom Fitzgerald.

VOICE VOTE - ALL IN FAVOR - ADJOURNED - 5:59pm.

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, DECEMBER 7, 2016.

MINUTES PREPARED ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2016 & SUBMITTED TO WEBMASTER ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2016 AT 6:25PM.

ATTEST:		DATE: DECEMBER 8, 2016
	Susan Joy Haughwout, Wilmington Town Clerk	<u>k</u>
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