

**Minutes**  
**Town of Montague Assessors' Department**  
1 Avenue A (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor), Turners Falls, MA  
August 9, 2010

Members Present: Paul Emery, Terry Miner, Betty Waidlich

Staff Present: Barbara Miller, Director of Assessing

Meeting convened 3:30 p.m

- Approved Minutes of July 26, 2010  
Motion made by Ms. Miner, second by Ms. Waidlich vote unanimous

**SIGNATURES REQUIRED**

- Time sheets for Ms. Miller, weeks ending 7/31/2010 and 8/7/2010 signed by Mr. Emery
- Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Levy 2010 Commitments  
Motion made by Ms. Miner, second by Ms. Waidlich vote unanimous:
  1. Commitment 4 - \$37,094.44
  2. Commitment 4A - \$1,295.21
  3. Commitment 3DL - \$800.00
- Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Abatements July 2010-\$999.17  
Motion made by Ms. Miner, second by Ms. Waidlich vote unanimous
- Real Estate and Personal Property July Monthly List of Abatements and Exemptions FY2010  
Motion made by Ms. Miner, second by Ms. Waidlich vote unanimous
  1. Town-\$5432.68
  2. Town Airport Hangers (Not deducted from Overlay)-\$245.33
  3. TFFD Airport Hangers (Not deducted from Overlay)-\$40.69
  4. TFFD-\$637.47
  5. MCFD-\$171.68
  6. MLD-\$8.58
- Personal Exemption applications approved and signed. Board will vote the exemptions in their entirety when the monthly list is complete.

**ABATEMENT HEARING**

- The board met with Mr. Garry Earles of 28 Park St. Mr. Earles requested reconsideration by the Board in regards to the value of his property. On May 3, 2010 the board voted an abatement of \$9,000 from the original value of \$163,100 making the adjusted value \$154,100. Mr. Earles presented his views drawing attention to the documentation presented with the original application and that which was submitted following notification of the adjusted value. After Mr. Earles left the meeting the board members discussed the value with Ms. Miller who suggested the board visit the property. A phone call was made to Mr. Earles and a message left requesting an appointment for the board to view the property.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

- Mr. Emery appointed Ms. Miller to sign meeting agendas on his behalf

Meeting Adjourned 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Miller  
Director of Assessing

Minutes approved \_\_\_\_\_