

**Minutes**  
**Town of Montague Assessors' Department**  
1 Avenue A (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor), Turners Falls, MA  
March 5, 2012

Members Present: Paul Emery, Betty Waidlich

Absent: Teresa Miner

Staff Present: Barbara Miller, Director of Assessing

Meeting convened 3:30 p.m.

- Approved Minutes of 02/27/2012

Motion to approved made by Ms. Waidlich, second by Mr. Emery, vote unanimous

**SIGNATURES REQUIRED**

- Time sheets for Ms. Miller, weeks ending 02/12/2012, 02/25/2012 and 03/03/2012
- Personal Exemption applications approved and signed. Board will vote the exemptions in their entirety when the monthly list is complete
- Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Recommitment
  - 2002-\$17.19
  - 2003- 18.75
  - 2008- 33.75
- Motion to approve made by Ms. Waidlich, second by Mr. Emery, vote unanimous
- Request for authority to abate local tax under MGL c.58 § 8 – 29-0-136
  - 2011-\$564.07
  - 2010- 555.61
  - 2009- 584.25

Motion to approve made by Ms. Waidlich, second by Mr. Emery, vote unanimous

- Ms. Miller updated the Board regarding her conversation with Mr. Vale, representative for TF Hydro, during which he requested a meeting the next day. She informed him of the necessity to discuss it with the Board, and informed Mr. Vale that it would be taken up at the meeting and she agreed to call him Tuesday, March 5, 2012 to arrange a meeting. An email from Attorney Hutchinson recommended she be included in the meeting via telephone. Ms. Miller to arrange a meeting with Mr. Vale and Mr. Clark preferably during the next scheduled board meeting. Attorney Hutchinson to be present via telephone.
- **Parcel Id 30-0-039, 4 Veterans Street**– Motion made by Ms. Waidlich to abate \$13,200 from the original value of \$102,800 making the adjusted value \$89,600. Second by Mr. Emery, vote unanimous.
- **Parcel Id 29-0-136, Federal Street**– Motion made by Ms. Waidlich to abate \$38,500 from the original value of \$42,900 making the adjusted value \$4,400. Second by Mr. Emery, vote unanimous.
- **Parcel Id 29-0-134, Federal Street**– Motion made by Ms. Waidlich to abate \$3,100 from the original value of \$3,100 making the adjusted value \$0. Second by Ms. Miner, vote unanimous.
- Topics not anticipated covered in the 48 hour posting requirements
  - Ms. Miller informed the Board of a phone call from Mr. Roman of First Light. Mr. Roman told her his last day is June first; the financial operations are being moved to Texas. Discussed First Light Agreement, board agrees value to remain at the FY2012 amount for FY2013 unless an amount is agreed upon in advance.

Meeting Adjourned 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Miller  
Director of Assessing

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