

MINUTES
TOWN OF MONTAGUE ASSESSING DEPARTMENT
1 Avenue A (2nd Floor) Turners Falls, MA
October 21, 2019

A meeting of the Montague Board of Assessors was held on Monday, October 21, 2019. Assessors present: Chairman Paul Emery, Terry Miner, Ann Cenzano and Karen Tonelli, Director of Assessing. The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. The Board voted unanimously.

Karen expressed concern regarding the lack of response from FirstLight counsel regarding withdrawal documentation for the pending litigation. Attempts will be made to reach out to officials at FirstLight directly.

The Board signed the final new growth report for FY2020 showing a total of \$564,663. The Board also signed a final assessment report (pending the FirstLight issues) which indicates a total of 907,320,213 real and personal property taxable value.

The Assessors signed a Tax Agreement under Chapter 59 Section 38H(b) relative to FirstLight's agreed upon assessment pursuant to our Settlement Agreement. This agreement was sent to FirstLight's counsel on September 25, 2019.

Board members reviewed and approved 64 Statutory Veterans Exemptions for FY2020 for individuals indicated on the attached list. Ann Cenzano did not participate in taking any action on her application.

The FY2020 tax classification hearings for the districts may be on November 4, 2019 if values are approved this week. Karen will inform the board members next week as there will be no Assessors meeting on Monday, October 28, 2019.

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:_____

Karen M. Tonelli, M.A.A.

List of Documents

LA4/LA13 FY2020

Tax Agreement dated 10/21/19 between Montague and FirstLight MA Hydro
Veterans FY2020 Exemption Applications