

The Board of Assessors met on Wednesday, October 18, 2017 at 6:03 PM. Present were Chairman McCarthy, Member Bunker and Principal Assessor Donahue. Daniel and Denise Reyes were in attendance.

The Board of Assessors reviewed the mail folder, which consisted of a copy of the West Bridgewater Planning Board's Minutes of its 09/20/17 Meeting.

The Principal Assessor reported that Bob Ellia, Director of Education for the Massachusetts Association of Assessing Officers (MAAO), passed away earlier in the day. Bob was a friend and mentor to many members of the MAAO.

Chairman McCarthy made a motion to accept and approve the open session minutes of 10/04/17. The motion was seconded by Member Bunker. Motion approved 2-0-0.

The Board reviewed and signed warrants in the amounts of \$65. 51 (mileage) and \$10,000.00 (record preservation), respectively.

The Board deferred discussion of a Public Records request until its next meeting.

Principal Assessor Donahue reported that he offered to host the Massachusetts Department of Revenue (DOR) Course 101 – Assessment Administration and Classification Training - at the West Bridgewater Council on Aging Senior Center. Mr. Donahue stated he made arrangements with the Director of the Council on Aging to the Senior Center and is coordinating the offering with representatives of the DOR.

The Principal Assessor updated the Board regarding a pending Chapter 61B Right of First Refusal Notification. The subject property is located on North Elm Street behind the Hockomock Plaza.

The Principal Assessor presented a draft copy of a proposed Public Participation Policy for the Board's consideration and discussion at a subsequent meeting.

Chairman McCarthy made a motion for the Board to enter into Executive Session, under Purpose 7, to discuss Applications for Abatement and pending Appellate Tax Board (ATB) cases, and not to reconvene into open session at the conclusion of the Executive Session. The motion was seconded and a roll call was taken as follows: Chairman McCarthy = affirmative, Member Bunker = affirmative. The Board then entered Executive Session at 6:22 PM. The Board exited Executive Session at 6:42 PM.

I certify that the minutes of this meeting are true and accurate to the best of my recollection.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Stephen W. McCarthy, Chairman and Acting Clerk

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