

TOWN OF CASTLETON
BOARD OF ABATEMENT MEETING
August 5, 2019 7:00PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Scott Lobdell, Debbie Rosmus, MaryBeth Hadeka, Frank Giannini, Pat Albin-Diercksen, Gerard Ashton, Mike Bethel, Robert Grace, Joe Mark, Dick Combs, Jim Leamy, Mark Brown, Zack Holzworth, Nancy Trudo and Nedra Boutwell, Clerk.

OTHERS PRESENT: Mary Jo Teetor, Assessor

Meeting was called to order at 7:25pm by Scott Lobdell.

Election of Officers was first on the agenda, Gerry A nominated Scott L, Debbie R seconded. Pat A moved that Bob G be elected Vice-Chair for the Board of Abatement, Zack H seconded. Debbie R made a motion to close the nominations, Zack H seconded. All in favor, Motion Passed. Dick C made a Motion for the secretary to cast one ballot to elect Scott as Chair and Bob G as Vice Chair. Pat A seconded. All in favor, Motion Passed.

Jim L made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2018 BOA meeting. Dick C seconded. Zack, Mary Beth and Joe abstained as they were not present at the September 10, 2018 meeting. All in favor, Motion passed.

Nedra presented the first abatement: **Kevin Haskins Parcel #37500023-B**
Mr. Haskins had a mobile home, located at 2622 Route 30 North. He purchased it in March of 2017 and stated he would be moving it to Wells. When the tax bills came out the next year he contacted us and let us know he moved it on August 14, 2017. We are asking for an abatement of 952.60 for the 2018/19 tax year as the trailer was not here for that year. Nedra spoke with Kevin on 7/29/2019 and explained that he still owed \$380.64 for the 2017/18 tax year. This was an unlanded mobile home that has been moved to Wells. The taxes to be abated are \$843.96 with 108.64 in Penalties and Interest. Bob G made a motion to abate \$952.60, Mike B seconded. All in Favor, Motion Passed.

Nedra presented the second abatement: **Ralph Fuller Parcel # 05030040T.33**
Mr. Fuller had a mobile home in the Fort Warren Trailer Park on lot #33. Mr. Fuller mailed his tax bill for 2017/18 back to use with a note stating "This trailer is no longer located at 81 Cramton Rd Lot #33" He also called on 9/5/17 and stated he paid \$1,400.00 to get rid of the trailer, has nothing to show for the sale, the trailer is gone and he is not going to pay for something that's not here. This was an unlanded mobile home. There is no trailer to sell at a tax sale. The tax amount to be abated is \$73.52 with \$16.24 in Penalties and Interest. Mark B made a motion to Abate \$89.76, Zack H seconded. All in Favor, Motion Passed.

Nedra presented the third abatement: **Mary Meier Parcel #08020003T-23**
Mary Meier owned a mobile home located at 525 River Street, Lot 23. The home was 100% loss due to a fire. Both residents passed away as a result of the fire, there is no mortgage that we know of on the home and no other recourse to collect on taxes. This was an unlanded mobile home. The taxes due for 2018/19 are \$1,025.40 with \$132.00 in Penalties and Interest. There

are also back taxes for year 2014/15 of \$139.52 and year 15/16 of \$167.34. Mark B made a motion to abate \$1,464.26, Zack H seconded. All in Favor, Motion Passed.

Bob G called for a motion to adjourn. MaryBeth H seconded. All in favor. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:40.

Respectfully submitted:

Nedra Boutwell, Town Clerk

Approved:

Date:

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