

**Minutes**  
**Board of Assessor's Meeting**  
**March 7, 2011**

Members Present: Jason Neuman, Eugene Reed and John McSorley  
Others: Heidi Seaverns.

7:05 PM Chairman McSorley called the meeting to order.

Ms. Seaverns reminded the members that she would be out of Town on their next regularly scheduled meeting on March 21.

**Motion:** Reed, second Neuman to cancel the next scheduled meeting of the BOA on March 21, 2011.

**Vote:** 3-0 in favor. If there is anything of that needs the Board's immediate attention while Ms. Seaverns is away, Mrs. Carlson will contact the members and set up a meeting.

The Board addressed the signature file.

**Motion:** Reed, second Neuman to assess Timber Tax Levy for 2010 tax year for Map 17 Lot 17 in the amount of \$333.09.

**Vote:** 3-0 in favor. The Board signed the warrant and certification sheets for the levy.

**Motion:** Reed, second Neuman to sign 2010 deferral & corresponding abatement form in the amount of \$ 4477.00 for Map 17 Lot 8-2.

**Vote:** 3-0 in favor.

**Motion:** Reed, second Neuman to sign 2010 deferral & corresponding abatement form in the amount of \$ 3984.00 for Map 38 Lot 4A.

**Vote:** 3-0 in favor.

The Board next reviewed the correspondence file.

Ms. Seaverns informed the members that there were two abatement applications that were untimely filed. One application was received March 3 and the other was turned in to the Tax Collector on March 5. Members asked Ms. Seaverns to return the applications to the taxpayers with the letters she had prepared explaining the process.

Members reviewed the correspondence in regard to the pending case at BTLA. The Taxpayer Representative had asked the BTLA to place the Town in default for various reasons. Ms. Seaverns had written a letter to the members addressing the allegations and BTLA had subsequently issued an order denying the request.

Ms. Seaverns informed the members that there were 14 abatements filed for tax year 2010. She also informed them that the pickup & new construction work will begin the week of April 4, weather permitting. Mr. Reed asked how many pick ups there were for this year. Ms. Seaverns had printed a report for the members to review. As of today's date, there are 144 parcels scheduled for review. Ms. Seaverns reported to the members that the settlement check for the Superior Court case had been sent to the Town Attorney who will in turn forward it to the taxpayer's attorney. Ms. Seaverns gave each member some information regarding the new bill HB2, which calls for each municipality to be required to pay DRA \$150 for each yield tax bill issued as well as \$ 150 for each Intent to Excavate filed. These fees are for administration. She also provided information about the rulemaking change at DRA to require everyone to file an Intent to Excavate regardless of the amount to be taken. The rules would be changed to require the municipalities to pay \$150 for each intent filed, regardless if it generates income to the Town, if any. There will be a public hearing on the rulemaking changes on Friday March 11, 2011 at DRA. If these items are passed, revenue to the Town will be decreased.

Regarding outstanding minutes,

**Motion:** McSorley, second Neuman to accept as written the minutes of the meeting on January 24, 2011.

**Vote:** 2-0-1 (Reed not in attendance) in favor.

**Motion:** Neuman, second Reed to accept as amended the minutes of the meeting on February 7, 2011.

**Vote:** 2-0-1 (McSorley not in attendance) in favor.

**Motion:** Reed, second McSorley to accept as written the minutes of the meeting on February 22, 2011.

**Vote:** 2-0-1 (Neuman not in attendance) in favor.

Next meeting will be April 4, 2011 at 7PM.

Having no further business,

7:40 PM **Motion:** Reed, second Neuman to adjourn.

**Vote:** 3-0 in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heidi Seaverns

**Approved as written**  
**4/18/11**