

Board of Assessors' Meeting Minutes

7 Brattleboro Rd. Leyden, MA 01301

February 10, 2025

Present: Kenneth "Kenny" Spatcher, Robert "Bob" DePalma and John Rodgers.
Others Present: Alice Wozniak, Assistant Assessor.
Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:11 PM.
Minutes: **John Rodgers moved to approve the Minutes of December 2ND; Bob DePalma seconded. Passed unanimously.**

Real Estate: Monthly List-The RE/PP Monthly List for January is as follows:
• January \$ 5,437.50

Kenny Spatcher moved to approve the RE/PP Monthly List for January in the amount listed above. John Rodgers seconded. Passed unanimously.

Motor Vehicle: Monthly List-The MV Monthly List for January is as follows:
• January \$ 82.02

Kenny Spatcher moved to approve the MV Monthly List listed above. Robert DePalma seconded. Passed unanimously.

Warrants to Collect-The most recent MV Commitments has been reviewed and are ready to warrant in the following amounts:
• 2025 MV Commitment #1 \$ 96,016.50
• 2024 MV Commitment #7 \$ 804.50

Kenneth Spatcher moved to approve the previously listed Motor Vehicle Commitments. Robert DePalma seconded. Passed unanimously.

Abatements-The following people submitted MV abatement applications with supporting documentation for 2024.
• Rene Bernard \$ 215.28

Kenny Spatcher moved to approve the previously listed abatements. John Rodgers seconded. Passed unanimously.

Budget: Budget-The Fiscal Year 2026 budget is reduced \$1,200 from 2025. The office is in revaluation for FY26 and the consultants fee will come out of the Assessor's Revaluation Expense in proximity of \$4K (including utility appraisal). Alice has done a substantial amount of the preparatory work so that the consultant can spend their time on the valuations. Kenny recommended that the office send notification to the Selectboard that Alice, Assistant Assessor get the annual COLA. This was not done one year due to questions on who has jurisdiction on the Assistant Assessor position. *See budget worksheet attached.*

Ken Spatcher made a motion to approve the FY26 Budget; John Rodgers seconded. Passed unanimously.

Motion to go into Executive Session under MGL CH30A, Section 21(a), under Rule #7 and not return to our regular meeting.

Ken Spatcher-aye
Bob DePalma-aye
John Rodgers-aye

Adjourn:

John Rodgers moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:29 PM. Kenny Spatcher seconded. Passed unanimously. Entered Executive Session.

Respectfully Submitted,



Alice Wozniak, MAA