

Board of Assessors

October 31, 2000 – **Minutes**

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PRESENT: Assessor Peter S. Barney, Chairman, Assessor Marty Treadup, Clerk, Assessor Robert Pacheco, Norman A. Bergeron, Administrative Assistant, Marianna M. Penha, Recording Clerk

Meeting called to order at 9:00 A.M.

Assessor Barney: Mr. Berthiaume has filed to move his case to December 20 as he wishes to go to Boston with his neighbors. We will receive and place on file.

Noting for the record, every day that we do not hear from Boston on the Revaluation is one day that is going to become much tighter as we get closer to November & December.

I have a Bristol County Executive Board meeting next Wednesday noon time at White's.

Mayor Kalisz is having a coat drive for the Porcupine School in Pine Ridge, South Dakota. You may or may not be aware that Mr. Bergeron entertained some of the people from the Pine Ridge School about a month ago. They certainly are in need of any assistance that we can give them. Items may be dropped off at the Mayor's office between November 3 & 9.

A couple of sales from last week include:

Location	Assessed	Sold
40 Jonathan Street	\$77,700	\$125,000
1027 Marion Street	\$103,100	\$163,000
137 Rounds Street	\$104,000	\$119,900

Assessor Barney: Last Wednesday, Carlos & I attended the Bristol County Assessors meeting, which was basically on T.I.F. Agreements and also on those communities that are not part of the original T.I.F. Agreement. They have an economic opportunity that they can apply for, which is not part of the T.I.F. It was a two-hour meeting with different people from the region, especially for those towns that are not involved with T.I.F. There was some give and take on the benefits of T.I.F., depending on how they are used. The meeting did count for two credits, which was unbeknownst to everyone, so, it was well worth it for us to attend.

Mr. Bergeron has begun developing a new map for this coming classification session, stressing especially the differences in the market and valuations in classes 101's, 104's

and 105's, for this coming classification hearing that will be held a month from now. We are trying to use the G.I.S. system and all the code maps to their list.

47-1 Fiscal 1999 - Fleet has accepted the negotiations from Mr. Bergeron & Mr. Amado, so we need a motion to ratify the offer and grant the abatement of \$117,200 in value on their building.

Assessor Treadup: Move to approve as offered and abated for fiscal 1999.

Assessor Pacheco: Second.

All in favor? "Aye"

Assessor Barney: Mr. Kearney has withdrawn on two of his cases, 59/204 & 59-209.

100/123 1 Riverside Avenue Century LLC

Fiscal 2000 Accepted offer to abate \$178,400. Motion will be to offer and grant the abatement pending his acceptance of the offer by signature.

Assessor Treadup: So moved.

Assessor Barney: Second.

All in favor? "Aye"

Assessor Barney: 98-253 211 Deane Street Taber Mill

Fiscal 2000 Recommendation is to abate \$252,800. Motion will be to offer and grant the abatement pending his acceptance of the offer by signature.

Assessor Treadup: So moved.

Assessor Pacheco: Second.

All in favor? "Aye"

Assessor Barney: 46-74 651 Purchase Street Olympia Towers

Fiscal 2000 Recommendation is to abate \$356,400. Motion will be to offer and grant subject to signature.

Assessor Treadup: So moved.

Assessor Pacheco: Second.

All in favor? “Aye”

Assessor Barney: Mr. Bergeron, do you have any updates for us?

N. Bergeron: As you know, as of this date we still haven't heard anything concerning the Re-Val. I'm a little reluctant to call, but following this Thursday, a call is definitely in order to them. By then, it will have been three weeks since they left the office. They had indicated when they left here that it would be at least two weeks. I think a call is necessary to the extent that until they indicate that our information has been forwarded to Boston. We will call on potential tax rates for this year. Dan was in this morning speaking to me about it and I gave him one copy, but I told him to be very careful and to make absolutely sure that whoever he showed it to or discussed it with, to explain that those were proposed numbers subject to some change. He wanted it because it did show the full range based on certain givings. Anything else is not applicable

What we ended up with the Mike Kearney cases that you acted on this morning was a total abatement of \$16,396. When you consider that he had 15 cases that wasn't a big amount.

N. Bergeron: As far as the remaining cases with the Appellate Tax Board goes, we still have 5 cases that exist, and those are with Atty. John Lynch, and that represents The Grinnell Mansion and Bedford Towers. Those are scheduled for the 29th of November. Lynch is aware that we have decided that we are not going to do anything at all with the values; they were remaining where we were. We will have to wait and see what he does. He may postpone these cases.

We also have four cases scheduled for a week from tomorrow with Skip Carter. He has been notified, but we have not heard from him yet, but I do expect to hear from him before Friday.

All we have remaining after that is all of Killeen's cases, which are scheduled for December 14. These are the 1997 & 1998 Mutual Oil cases, which are still sitting here. Decisions have been rendered against three cases. I believe there was an appeal, and they're waiting for the result of the appeal before they move with us.

We have three residential cases that have requested speedy hearings, and they are asking to be transferred from March 28, 2001 to December 20, 2000. Whether those will be held on that day or not will depend on where we are with the Re-val and getting everything done before the end of the year, because that takes precedence. Somewhere around the middle of November, I do intend fully to get certified letters to the three taxpayers indicating that we are requesting appointments for site visits in each of the three residential properties.

B.H.R. is being considered for a site visit on November 13.

Note: (Mr. Bergeron is displaying the G. I. S. map that he has been working on to the Board and explaining that the map will show the increases on the class codes 101, 104 & 105 areas, using different color codes.)

N. Bergeron: Larry (from M.I.S.) is still working with me on this and there will be some changes, such as bolder lines on the outlines of the neighborhoods and larger headings that will be more visible. This map is a start, we are not sure if it is going to be the final or if it's going to be used at all, but for my purposes, I think that because John & Carlos work on this every single day with every parcel and sometimes work in groups, they have a good idea mentally and can visualize this.

N. Bergeron: The value books will be ready and will be at various locations throughout the City for the public to see.

Assessor Barney: That concludes our agenda for today.

Assessor Treadup: Move to adjourn.

Assessor Pacheco: Second.

All in favor? "Aye"

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 A.M.

Marty Treadup, Clerk