

Middlefield Board of Assessors Meeting

August 15, 2013

Open Meeting

Board members present:

Gita Jozsef, Chair

Laura Lafreniere, Secretary

Janine Savoy

Others present:

Sherri Venditti

Minutes:

Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm.

Reviewed the mail.

Gita discussed specialty workshop she attended at UMass on "Statistics and Applying the Mass Appraisal Approach" sponsored by MAAO. She also addressed concerns about our sales in this revaluation year. Most of our sales this year are parcels that are in Chapter, which the state does not recognize as valid sales. Gita plans to discuss this with Duane from Mayflower.

Reviewed the July 18th minutes. Gita made a motion to approve the minutes. Laurie seconded, and both Gita and Laurie voted to approve. Janine abstained since she did not attend the July meeting.

Discussion continued on the Data Collection Manual (DCM). Janine said that this is still a rough draft. Gita pointed out that it should be applicable to our town - we don't have condominiums and we have our own percentage complete breakdown - and suggested that Janine use the Framingham DCM as a model, as voted on in the July meeting.

Discussion led to residence inspections. When we go out to do inspections and find the homeowners not home, it was decided that some form of card or door tag should be left to inform them that the Assessors were there.

Gita motioned to adjourn the meeting. Laurie seconded, and all approved.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Lafreniere, Secretary