

Middlefield Board of Assessors Meeting
August 16, 2012

Open Meeting

Board members present:

Gita Jozsef, Chair
Laura Lafreniere, Secretary
Janine Savoy

Others present: David Edwards

Minutes:

Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm.

Meeting was taped by Janine Savoy.

Janine questioned why Tom Austin was in the building. Gita explained that she had requested the Chief of Police or Town Constable to be in the building during our meetings. There are too many disruptions at our meeting, with people interrupting and speaking out of order.

Reviewed and approved the July 21st minutes as read.

Reviewed the mail.

Gita proposed revision to BOA schedule. Janine asked why the schedule had to be changed. Gita explained that the Treasurer and Town Collector were not comfortable, since there was too much noise and disruptions in the office during the Assessors' meeting. Attendees had blocked the Treasurer's desk, so she was not able to get to her work.

The proposed new schedule:

- Every third Thursday, meeting at 6:30pm
- Saturdays, 9-11am office hours, 11am -Noon by appointment
- Thursdays, 5-7pm by appointment
- Fridays, 2 – 4pm, Assessors' Assistant (Clerk) hours

All voted in favor.

Laura Lafreniere will inform the Webmaster of the updated schedule.

David Edwards interrupted with a question. Gita told him he was out of order and that this is a business meeting. He interrupted again; Gita told him that there will be no public input at this meeting.

Janine questioned why the meeting wasn't posted at the Post Office, because it is in the town bylaws. Gita explained that the Post Office is a Federal Agency and the town bylaws pertain to the posting of the Annual Town Meeting and Special Town Meeting Warrants and that the meeting was posted on the Town Hall outside bulletin board and on the town website.

Janine questioned that since Mayflower will be going to Azure Green, shouldn't they also be going to the stone cutting business (Bedrock) to check its equipment and to Left Field Farm? Laura explained that Azure Green still has an open permit on their building and that Bedrock's building permit is closed. Laura also explained that equipment is Personal Property and Bedrock does fill out a business Form of List.

David Edwards requested to be put on agenda for an open meeting. Laura suggested that he come to the office during business hours with his questions.

Gita made a motion to close meeting. All voted in favor.
Meeting adjourned at 7pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Lafreniere, Secretary