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BOARD OF ABATEMENT MEETING OF NOVEMBER 2, 2017

The Board of Abatement of the Town of Morristown, notified and warned, met in the Conference Room at the Municipal Office Building, 43 Portland Street in said town on Thursday November 2, 2017 at 6:30 P.M.

BOA Members present: Rhoda Bedell, Donald Blake, Margaret Demars, Francis Favreau, Brian Kellogg (Selectboard), Steve Leach, Monte Mason, Charles McArthur (Lister), Shelley Nolan, Brent Paine, Duane Sprague (Lister), Ronald Stancliff, Richard Tomlinson (Lister), Edward Wilson, and Sara Haskins (Clerk)

Appellants present: Graham Mink

Guests present: Scott Thompson

- The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.
- There were no changes and additions to the posted agenda.
- Upon motion by Duane Sprague and seconded by Rhonda Bedell the minutes of the August 7, 2017 were approved.
- Pursuant to Title 24 V.S.A § 1535, to consider abatement of real estate and personal property taxes assessed.
 - Graham Mink (#21013): Steve Leach offered to reclude himself as he sold the property to Graham Mink. The Board voted to allow him to stay in the meeting. Letter of request was read asking for abatement due to the complete loss of the rental building by fire on October 19, 2017. After testimony by appellant and Listers, the board debated the facts. Upon motion by Edward Wilson with a second by Margret Demars, the board voted affirmatively to abate \$2407.92 of FY17-18 property taxes under abatement criteria #5 – property destroyed during the tax year.
 - Small balances due- Clerk Haskins presented two delinquent personal property tax accounts that are past due and the Town attorney will not be including in the upcoming tax sale: #90604 Catalina Marketing Corporation for the amount of \$53.56 and #90114 Hudson Auto Body Shop for the amount of \$19.78. After testimony by the Clerk and Listers, the board discussed personal property tax bills and their collection. Upon motion by Richard Tomlinson with a second by Ronald Stancliff, the board voted affirmatively to continue to carry balances and try to collect the delinquent taxes on these two accounts.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 PM upon motion by Brian Kellogg and seconded by Edward Wilson.

Respectfully submitted,
Sara Haskins, Clerk- Board of Abatement