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DRAFT MINUTES: BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY MEETING

The Board of Civil Authority of the Town of Morristown, notified and warned, met in the Upstairs Conference Room at the Municipal Office Building, 43 Portland Street in said town on Thursday, June 1, 2017 at 6:30 P.M.

BCA Members present: Judy Bickford, Donald Blake, Francis Favreau, Claire Hinds, Steve Leach, Monte Mason, Shelley Nolan, Brent Paine, Siri Rooney, Ronald Stancliff, Edward Wilson, Brian Kellogg and Sara Haskins, Clerk

Listers present: Richard Tomlinson

Appellants present: Eleanor Randall, Joanie Newton and Kevin Newton

- The meeting was called to order at 6:32 PM.
- Abate small balances due was added to the agenda. Clerk Haskins presented small balances totaling \$44.89 due to late tax payments in November that have continued to accrue interest and penalty to the Board for consideration of abatement.

parcel	name	principal	interest	penalty	total
90101	Hess, Charles	\$ 0.89	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.97
08021	Valley Ridge Property	\$ 1.26	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.10	\$ 1.37
	Total	\$ 2.15	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.17	\$ 2.34
08062	Tatro, Eunice	\$ 22.34	\$ 0.22	\$ 1.79	\$ 24.35
09032	Tatro, Eunice	\$ 5.83	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.47	\$ 6.36
08035-02	Tatro, Eunice	\$ 2.63	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.21	\$ 2.87
08039	Tatro, Eunice	\$ 1.93	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.15	\$ 2.10
08047	Tatro, Eunice	\$ 6.31	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.50	\$ 6.87
	Total	\$ 39.04	\$ 0.39	\$ 3.12	\$ 42.55
	Total	\$ 41.19	\$ 0.41	\$ 3.29	\$ 44.89

Upon motion by Edward Wilson and seconded by Brian Kellogg the board voted to abate the taxes, interest and penalty on Parcel ID#90101 and #08021 for a total of \$2.34. The Board instructed the Clerk to mail delinquent tax notices to the Estate of Eunice Tatro for the five above listed delinquent accounts in her name. Upon motion by Shelley Nolan and seconded by Donald Blake the Board voted to abate these five accounts in the name of Eunice Tatro Estate if they are not paid in full at the time the taxes are to be turned over to the attorney for collection.

- Upon motion by Donald Blake and seconded by Edward Wilson, the minutes of May 8, 2017 were approved as presented.
- Pursuant to Title 24 V.S.A § 1535, to consider abatement of real estate and personal property taxes assessed.
 - 6:40 PM – Eleanor & Marvin Randall (21005) Letter of request was presented to the Board and Mrs Randall was present. Hearing requested by property owners, per letter (attached) seeking abatement for FY15-16 and FY16-17 taxes plus penalty and interest for the property they acquired at 182 Upper Main Street at tax sale. This is a continuation of the May 8, 2017 meeting. Steve Leach offered to reclude himself as being an employee and friend of the Randalls. Monte Mason offered to reclude himself as cousin to the Town Tax Attorney. The Board voted to allow the two to remain at the meeting.

Clerk Haskins presented the Board with a letter from Sarah Jarvis, VLCT attorney regarding tax sales and liabilities. She also presented the Board with a letter from Mary Ann Wilson, former Delinquent Tax Collector and Angela Ross, Town attorney regarding what took place at the tax sale when the Randalls obtained the property in question and how the additional funds were distributed above what was owed to the Town in taxes. Clerk Haskins also submitted updated figures on current balances due because of additional interest and penalty accrued since the previous meeting. The Randalls had no additional information to present since the last meeting.

Motion was made by Brian Kellogg and seconded by Edward Wilson to abate \$2,261.45 (\$1,123.64 for FY15-16 and \$1,137.81 for FY1617) based on the taxes assessed for the building on the property. Monte Mason voted against. Motion passed.

Motion made by Judy Bickford and seconded by Brian Kellogg to abate all interest (\$67.66) and penalty (\$198.08) that was applied on May 15, 2017 while the Board had recessed making a decision. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Donald Blake and seconded by Shelley Nolan to abate all interest (\$672.46) and penalty (\$392.94) that has been applied to date on FY15-16 and FY17-18 on this account. Monte Mason voted against. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Edward Wilson and seconded by Donald Blake that the above abatement decisions regarding parcel ID#21005 now owned by Eleanor & Marvin Randall were made under Title 24, VSA 1535 (5). Motion passed.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:41 PM upon motion by Steve Leach and seconded by Ronald Stancliff.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Haskins, Clerk- Board of Civil Authority