

TOWN OF MORRISTOWN
43 PORTLAND STREET
MORRISVILLE, VERMONT 05661-0748

BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY MEETING
MINUTES OF BOARD OF ABATEMENT

The Board of Civil Authority of the Town of Morristown met at the Community Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, 43 Portland Street in said town on Thursday, the 4th day of February 2010, at 5:30 P.M.

Members present: Theresa Breault, Michael Cote, Margaret Demars, Francis Favreau, Donald Blake, Rhoda Bedell, Thomas Hirschak, Steve Leach, Siri Rooney, Edward Wilson, Brian Kellogg and Mary Ann Wilson.

Listers present: Charles McArthur and Duane Sprague.

Chairman Francis Favreau opened the meeting at 5:33 PM.

1. Pursuant to Title 24 V.S.A § 1535, to consider abatement of real estate and personal property taxes assessed:

- a. Evelyn Earl Geer: Parcel #11034

Clerk Wilson read appellant's letter requesting abatement. The Listers presented information and calculations regarding the percentage of the loss of property due to a fire on 09/20/09. Upon motion by Margaret Demars, with a second by Brian Kellogg, the BCA voted affirmatively to abate taxes in the amount of \$211.96 which will be credited to the final tax installment of FY10 under 24 VSA §1535(a)(5) – taxes upon real or personal property lost or destroyed during the tax year.

As voted: Yes = 9
 No = 5

- b. Miscellaneous abatements:

Clerk Wilson stated that FairPoint Communications has filed Chapter 11 Bankruptcy. In communication from Fairpoint, the bankruptcy court has allowed principal payment of tax bills, but not interest or penalty. Upon motion by M. Demars, with a second by R. Bedell, the BCA voted affirmatively to abate the following:

- Parcel #12145-04:
Accrued Interest = \$ 2.31
- Parcel #21134:
Accrued Interest = \$25.50

2. BCA members signed up to man the polls at the P.A. Gym and the Municipal Building for Town Meeting on March 2, 2010.
3. BCA members reviewed the Town Clerk's additions, removals and challenges to the voter checklist since the last update.
4. With no other business to come before the BCA, the meeting was adjourned at 6:10 PM upon motion.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Ann Wilson, Clerk.