



Town of Ludlow Board of Assessors

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Ludlow, Massachusetts 01056

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Minutes of the Board of Assessors Meeting held Wednesday, October 25, 2023, at 12:00 p.m. in the in the Selectmen's Conference Room.

Board of Assessors Members:

Antonio Rosa - Chairman (Absent)

Michael O'Rourke - Clerk (Present) John Urban - Member (Present)

Also in Attendance:

Jose Alves - Assistant Assessor

Maria Fernandes - Associate Assessor

Mr. O'Rourke acting as chairman, called the meeting to order at 12:09 p.m.

Appointments:

12:00 P.M. – WMECO representatives to discuss Solar Pilot for Fiscal Year 2024. Cancelled. Meeting to be rescheduled.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Board to enter executive session to discuss Statutory Exemptions. Motion made by Mr. Urban and seconded by Mr. O'Rourke to go into executive session at 12:11 p.m. and resume regular session once finished. Motion passed 2-0.

Roll call:

Mr. Urban – Yes Mr. O'Rourke - Yes

90. Motion made by Mr. Urban and seconded by Mr. O'Rourke to review, approve, and sign Tax Rate Documentation for Fiscal Year 2024. Motion passed 2-0.

- Motion made by Mr. Urban and seconded by Mr. O'Rourke to review, approve and sign (NEW) FY2024 Application for Statutory Exemption under Clause 37A (Blind). Motion passed 2-0.
- 92. Motion made by Mr. Urban and seconded by Mr. O'Rourke to review, approve and sign 2023 Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Abatement Applications. Motion passed 2-0.
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- 94. Motion made by Mr. Urban and seconded by Mr. O'Rourke to review, approve and sign minutes from the meeting of September 27, 2023. Motion passed 2-0.
- Motion made by Mr. Urban and seconded by Mr. O'Rourke to review, approve and sign
- invoices. Motion passes 2-0.
- 96. The Board noted Death notices Clerk's office

Discussion:

Next Meeting - November 29, 2023, at 11:00 a.m.

Motion made by Mr. Urban and seconded by Mr. O'Rourke to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 2-0.

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Antonio Rosa, Chairman

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Executive session began at 12:11 p.m. in the Selectmen's Conference Room.

Mr. Urban MOVED to go into Executive session to discuss Statutory Exemptions, approve new exemption and to resume into regular session once adjourned. Second Mr. O'Rourke – 2-0 in favor.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Urban, yes

Mr. O'Rourke, yes.

The applicant transferred ownership of the property (06/23) to a Trust, and he is not the Trustee, co-trustee or holds a Life Estate. The Board denied the application at their prior meeting based on ownership as of 07/01/23.

The Board reviewed new paperwork submitted by the applicant, but the paperwork did not prove legal residency as of July 1, 2023. It was suggested that the applicant inquire about Mass. Gen. Laws Ch. 59 Sec. 55, Cl 22G and to contact Mr. Segundo, Director of the Ludlow Veterans Services. If accepted by the town, this option allows the veterans to be treated as owners for exemption purposes if they meet all eligibility criteria except legal title to their domicile when title is held by trustee, conservator, or other fiduciary for their benefit.

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Executive session ended at 12:17 p.m.

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