

**TOWN OF HYDE PARK
ABATEMENT BOARD MEETING**

December 7, 2020

Virtual Meeting Via Conference Call Due to COVID-19

Present: Selectboard – Roger Audet, Susan Bartlett, Dave Gagnier and Brian Shackett; Justices of the Peace – Brickett Bailey, Richard Bailey, Vicki Emerson, Ed French, Riki French, and Marilyn Zophar; Listers – Matt Reed and Assistant to the Listers, Julie Rohleder; Town Treasurer/Town Clerk – Kimberly Moulton

Others

Present: Leslie Rollins

S. Bartlett called the meeting to order at 6:05pm. It was determined there was a quorum of the board to proceed.

1) Abatement request from Leslie Rollins, Wildlife Lane:

Chairman Bartlett stated we were meeting to hear the abatement request of Leslie Rollins. Chairman Bartlett asked the tax payer if there was anything she wanted to share with the board about this request. L. Rollins stated that as indicated on her request form, she was bring taxed for a barn that is no longer on her property. J. Rohleder stated this error stems from the reappraisal not catching that the barn is now on a neighboring property and not on Leslie's property. The other owner is being taxed for the barn but the barn was not removed from the Rollins property at reappraisal.

Chairman Bartlett asked how much in taxes would be abated. K. Moulton stated the Listers Office has calculated that figure to be \$537.38.

R. Bailey asked how far back this error goes. J. Rohleder stated that this error has happened for the 2018/2019 and 2019/2020 tax years and was corrected in the 2020/2021 tax year.

E. French made a motion that was seconded by R. Bailey to abate \$537.38. Motion passed by voice vote unanimously.

Leslie Rollins left the call at 6:12pm

2) Other Business

E. French asked about other conference call options. He felt having a video component to the meeting would be beneficial. K. Moulton stated that she just discovered that the application we are using for this meeting has that capability and it will be noted on future BCA Agendas. M. Reed asked if people with internet not strong enough to support this feature would be dropped from the video calls. K. Moulton stated that with this application, people can still call in via phone but will also have the option/ability to login online.

Motion to adjourn at 6:17. The motion passed by voice vote unanimously.