

Assessor Meeting
September 13, 2023

Assessors present: Danial Barker
Robert Farrar
Ben DeFrosia
Sue Howe, Treasurer/Tax Collector
Joanne Bean, Town Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: Bob made a motion to accept minutes as read with one spelling correction. Dan 2nd. All approved.

Public Hearing to adopt the 2023-2024 General Assistance Ordinance Appendices A-H: Bob motioned to open public meeting to adopt the 2023-2024 General Assistance Ordinance Appendices A-H. Dan 2nd. All approved. Bob motioned to approve Appendices A-H. Ben 2nd. All approved. Bob motioned to close public meeting. Ben 2nd. All approved.

Written Communications: Joanne submitted an email regarding PFAS, after reading it was decided that Dan will contact Edward V. Stamborski, as Assessors would like to know if this is close to any residential areas. Assessors reviewed and signed the Franklin County mitigation Plan.

Dan filled out then 2023 Tree Growth Tax Roster for Joanne to mail in.
(Mailed 9/20/2023)

GA Compliance Discussion: Discussed Compliance issues with Ben. Ben stated that he has been in contact with Judi Noll and will contact Joanne when all set and back in compliance.

Treasurer/Tax Collector: Sue stated that she had done an abatement for Beau Henry. She presented it to the Assessors and they signed it. Sue stated that taxes are coming in well and that people seem happy that taxes went down this year. Sue stated that she paid the first half of the County and Eustis taxes. She also paid the last installment of the Town Office lease and stated that we will need a new lease agreement come March of 2024. She received the invoice form Absolut for the 2023-2024 plowing season. Bob made a motion to approve the first payment of \$20,000.00. Dan 2nd. All

approved.(**Note: located contract which is for 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 seasons**).

Warrants: Warrants were presented by Sue, reviewed and signed by the Assessors.

Other: Dan received a letter from LUPC regarding meetings with Town Officials. Bob thought it would be beneficial to invite LUPC representatives to either our October or November assessors' meetings. Dan stated that Libby's Tree Service is done with removing dead trees and brush from area roads. He also stated that Absolut Services is doing well with road work. He stated that the Kennebago Rd. will not be upgraded as planned this year due to the large amount of fallen trees, etc. from this summer's damaging storms. Bob stated that the tax rate for next year has been finalized at \$9.90 slightly higher than the preliminary \$9.52.

Executive Session: None

Adjourn: Dan made a motion to adjourn, Ben 2nd. All approved. Meeting adjourned 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Bean, Clerk