

**Minutes of the Board of Assessors
Meeting of September 13, 2007**

A meeting of the Board of Assessors was held on Thursday, September 13, 2007 in the Auditorium at City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 8:15 AM by Chair Marylou Blaisdell.

Members Present

Kevin Moriarty	Dominic D'Antoni	Marylou Blaisdell
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Assessing Staff Present

Robert Lakeman	Gary Turgiss	Greg Turgiss
Douglas Dame	Cheryl Walley	

Minutes of the Meeting:

Minutes for the meeting held on August 23, 2007 were approved unanimously.

Appointments: none

Abatement Requests Presented:

Approvals/denials are available in the Assessor's Office.

Ms. Louise Brown, Supervisor of Assessing Administration, advised the Board that six of the lots removed from current use for which warrants were signed at the last meeting, need to have their bills rescinded. The original decision to remove them from current use was based on aerial photos taken December, 2006. The owner came in after receiving the bills and discussed the situation with Chief Assessor Angelo Marino. The owner advised that the change had occurred before he purchased the land. This was verified by viewing the 2004 and 2005 maps and Mr. Marino doing a site inspection. Following this verification, it was decided that only two lots should be removed from current use and the rest of the land should remain. This land together with the owner's land in Hollis, which is contiguous, continues to qualify for the current use status.

The appraisers presented each of the abatements being presented for residential and commercial properties. Discussion ensued on how the State's ratio is used when determining the revised assessments for abatements filed. It was decided that this item be held until the next meeting when Chief Assessor Angelo Marino will be available to join in this discussion.

The Board was reminded of the public meeting scheduled for Monday, September 17, 2007 at which Mr. Marino will be discussing the 2007 update of assessments with the Board of Aldermen. This is scheduled just before the Board of Aldermen meeting at 7:30, in the Aldermanic Chambers.

MOTION BY Marylou Blaisdell to adjourn at 10:10 AM.

SECONDED BY Kevin Moriarty.

MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Transcribed by
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