BOARD OF ASSESSORS
Brookline, Mass.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Assessors
Held January 14, 2020

The Board convened at 4:00 p.m. on January 14, 2020. Present were members of the Board Rachid Belhocine, Harold Petersen and Mark Mazur. Taxpayer Gerry Oster was also present for most of the meeting.

Minutes

The Board approved the minutes of their December 17, 2019 meeting.

ATB Related Abatements

The Board of Assessors granted four Fiscal Year 2019 abatements in final settlement of Appellate Tax Board cases. The Board signed a summary sheet for the abatements.

FY2020 Abatement

The Board granted one Fiscal Year 2020 abatement as part of a settlement agreement for a Fiscal Year 2019 Appellate Tax Board case. The Board also signed a summary sheet for the abatement.

Residential Exemptions

The Board granted nineteen Fiscal Year 2020 Residential Exemptions and signed a summary sheet for them.

Uncollectible Abatements

At the request of the Tax Collector the Board granted a total of four uncollectible personal property abatements under the authority of Chapter 59 Section 71. One of the abatements was for Fiscal Year 2017, one was for Fiscal Year 2018 and two were for Fiscal Year 2018.
Personal Exemptions

The Board granted two Fiscal Year 2020 Personal Exemptions and signed a summary sheet for them.

Senior Work-Off Abatements

The Board granted fifteen Fiscal Year 2020 Senior Work-Off abatements. The Board signed abatement certificates for each abatement that was granted.

Taxpayer Discussion

The Board met with taxpayer Gerry Oster to consider his concerns about assessing methodology.

Office Organization

The Board discussed a revised staffing structure for the office.

Next Board Meeting

The Board’s next Board meeting will be at 4:00 P.M. on Tuesday January 28, 2020.

The meeting adjourned at 5:13 P.M.

A true record. Attest: [Signature]