

BOARD FOR THE ABATEMENT OF TAXES
April 26, 2018

The Board for the Abatement of Taxes was called to order on April 26, at 7:39 P. M., in the Selectboard Meeting Room of the Municipal Center by Town Clerk Hilary Francis. Members present included Justices of the Peace: Jane Buckingham, Franklin Chrisco, Diane Cooke, Elliott Greenblott, Mary Ann Holt, Lee Madden, Sharry Manning, Robert Oeser, Gail Speno and Veronica Wheelock; Selectboard Member: Brandie Starr; Listers: Marshall Wheelock, Eric Annis and Kathy Dowd; Assessor: Jenepher Burnell, and Town Clerk: Hilary Francis. Also present: Edward Higley

With 14 members in attendance and a quorum achieved, the meeting proceeded.

Oaths were administered to all members and the appellant.

Nominations for Chair of the Abatement Board were opened by Clerk Hilary Francis. Elliott Greenblott was nominated as Chair of the Board. There being no other nominations, Mr. Greenblott was elected Chair.

The Chair outlined the procedures of the meeting. Elliott Greenblott moved to edit the procedures by switching the order and putting #3 before #2, and to otherwise accept the procedures. The motion was 2nded and they were adopted unanimously.

ABT 18-02, The Meadow Corp, Polarex-VTLLC/Maple Farms LLC, Buildings & 3.00 Acres/Buildings & 3.42 Acres. Edward Higley was present to give testimony. He explained to the Board that on February 1, 2017 a building on the property was lost due to a fire. That building did not get removed from the assessment and taxes were paid on it. He would like to abate those taxes.

Jenepher Burnell explained that at the time of the fire, the property was owned by Polarex. Building 86 burnt down, and Building 55 was removed in error instead of #86. She handed out a spreadsheet of calculations prepared by the Treasurer's office.

Sharry Manning moved to abate the taxes in the amount recommended by the Treasurer's office of \$1,587.24 per 24 VSA §1535 Subsection 4. The motion was seconded.

Sharry asked Mr. Higley if these figures seemed accurate to him and he agreed.

The motion then passed unanimously.

ABT 18-03, Town of Brattleboro Request – See attached requests

Franklin Chrisco moved to abate the the taxes in the amount of \$3,407.01 per 24 VSA §1535 Subsection 2. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

There being no further requests for abatement of taxes and no additional business for the evening, the Board for the Abatement of Taxes adjourned at 8:01 P. M.

Attest:

Town Clerk and Clerk, Board of Abatement