DUDLEY BOARD OF ASSESSORS DUDLEY MUNICIPAL COMPLEX 71 WEST MAIN STREET, DUDLEY, MA 01571

DATE: 3/10/2023

TO: ASSESSORS CC: TOWN CLERK

FROM: LISA L. BERG, PRINCIPAL ASSESSOR

ROOM: 315, 8:00 A.M.

RE: MINUTES: ASSESSOR'S MARCH 10, 2023 BOARD MEETING

Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Assessor Szymczak made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from February 10, 2023. Assessor Durgin seconded. Unanimous. Passed.

Assessor Szymczak made a motion to approve the executive board meeting minutes from February 10, 2023. Assessor Durgin seconded. Unanimous. Passed.

The Board signed various vouchers.

Assessor Szymczak made a motion to approve the motor vehicle abatements for the month of February in the amount of \$6,273.25. Assessor Durgin seconded. Unanimous. Passed.

Assessor Szymczak made a motion to approve the boat excise abatements for the month of February for \$15.00. Assessor Durgin seconded. Unanimous. Passed.

Assessor Szymczak made a motion to approve the rescinded/voided excise abatement in the amount of \$73.39. Assessor Durgin seconded. Unanimous. Passed.

Assessor Szymczak made a motion to approve the revised real estate taxes in the amount of \$151.38 for Map 236, Lot 34.1. Assessor Durgin seconded. Unanimous. Passed.

Assessor Szymczak made a motion to approve the supplemental bills in the amount of \$10,787.07. Assessor Durgin seconded. Unanimous. Passed.

Assessor Szymczak made a motion to approve the motor vehicle commitment #4 for levy 2022 in the amount of \$59,075.84. Assessor Durgin seconded. Unanimous. Passed.

Old Business:

Ms. Berg informed the board there was a joint Selectmen & FAA meeting on Monday February 27, 2023. All departments had to present their budgets showing a 10 budget cut. Town Administrator, Johnathan Ruda, held a department head meeting the following day and told staff there were going to be some hard cuts made to each department in the event the 2 ½ override does not pass.

Ms. Berg informed the Board there was also a meeting before the Board of Selectmen and FAA on March 9, 2023. This meeting was for all departments to present their regular budget without the 10% cuts. Ms. Berg stated she would give the results of that meeting at the next Board meeting.

At the February Board meeting, the Board asked Assessor Berg to place an article in the Webster Times informing the public as to what effect the 10% budget cuts would have on them. Ms. Berg informed the Board that under the new Town Policy, department heads cannot do this but they can as an individual taxpayer. The Board asked that the Town Administrator highlight that policy and submit it to the board. The Board also requested Ms. Berg revise the budget, removing the interim year adjustment line item.

New Business:

The Board agreed to hold the next meeting on April 14, 2023.

Assessor Szymczak made a motion to adjourn the public meeting at 8:19. Assessor Durgin seconded. Unanimous. Passed.

Chairman Allen made a motion to convene into Executive Session under M.G.L Chapter 30A § 21 (a)(7), to comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirement: discussion of applications for tax abatement(s) and/or exemption (s), including any necessary votes pursuant to G.L. c. 59 § 60 and/or G.L. c. 214, § 1B (as applicable). Not to re-convene into regular session.

Roll Call:

Assessor Szymczak - Aye Assessor Durgin – Aye Chairman Allen - Aye

Lisa L. Berg, MAA Principal Assessor