

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

DATE: 2/22/2019

TO: ASSESSORS
CC: TOWN CLERK
FROM: LISA L. BERG, PRINCIPAL ASSESSOR

RE: MINUTES: ASSESSOR'S FEBRUARY 22, 2019 MONTHLY MEETING

The Dudley Board of Assessors held its meeting at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, February 22, 2019. Chairman Allen, Assessor Szymczak and Principal Assessor, Lisa Berg were in attendance. Assessor Brousseau was not present.

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m.

Assessor Szymczak made a motion to approve the January 11, 2019 meeting minutes. Assessor Allen seconded. Passed.

The Board signed various vouchers and payroll.

Assessor Szymczak made a motion to approve the Levy 2019 motor vehicle commitment #1 in the amount of \$1,198,822.50. Assessor Allen seconded. Passed.

Assessor Szymczak made a motion to approve the Levy 2018 motor vehicle commitment #7 in the amount of \$10,762.81. Assessor Allen seconded. Passed.

Assessor Szymczak made a motion to approve the motor vehicle abatements for the month of January in the amount of \$159.69. Assessor Allen seconded. Passed.

Assessor Szymczak made a motion to approve the following real estate exemption applications in the total of \$4,375 for the months of January and February:

Applicant A	Map 112, Lot 105	CL22	Veteran	\$400.00
Applicant B	Map 112, Lot 114.12	CL18	Infirmity	\$500.00
Applicant C	Map 123, Lot 84	CL41C	Elderly	\$500.00
Applicant D	Map 229, Lot 86	CL22	Veteran	\$400.00
Applicant E	Map 234, Lot 8	CL41C	Elderly	\$500.00
Applicant F	Map 110, Lot 164	CL41C	Elderly	\$500.00
Applicant G	Map 126, Lot 24	CL17D	Widow	\$175.00
Applicant H	Map 121, Lot 99	CL41C	Elderly	\$500.00
Applicant I	Map 120, Lot 96	CL22	Veteran	\$400.00
Applicant J	Map 111, Lot 41	CL18	Infirmity	\$500.00

Assessor Allen seconded. Passed.

Assessor Szymczak made a motion to approve the following real estate and personal property abatements applications in the amount of \$4,268.79:

Applicant K	Map 236, Lot 2	PP Not in Business 1/1	\$ 378.81
Applicant L	Map 215, Lot 25	45% Complete not 50%	\$ 240.30
Applicant M	Map 113, Lot 86	Very Poor Condition	\$ 156.60
Applicant N	Personal Property	Billed in Error (Exempt)	\$ 150.48
Applicant O	Map 121, Lot 124	2 Bedrooms not 4	\$ 106.65
Applicant P	Map 205, Lot 12.1	Grade Good +10 to Good	\$ 477.90
Applicant Q	Map 115, Lot 133	No Wdk, FP, Xtra FP	\$ 31.05
Applicant R	Map112, Lot 97	Avg Condition to Fair	\$ 560.25
Applicant S	Map 220, Lot 9	10% Ext Func	\$ 372.60
Applicant T	Map103, Lot 82	Avg to VP Depreciation	\$ 535.95
Applicant U	Map220, Lot 48	Good+10 to Good	\$ 612.90
Applicant V	Map 113, Lot 110	Avg to Fair Depr	\$ 214.65
Applicant W	Map 112, Lot 118.27	5 Func-Water in Bsmnt	\$ 56.70
Applicant X	Map 112, Lot 92	4 Bedrooms to 1	\$ 99.90
Applicant Y	Map 112, Lot 6	Basement only Partial Fin.	\$ 52.65
Applicant Z	Map 118, Lot 210	Good to Avg Depr.	\$ 221.40

Assessor Allen seconded. Passed.

Assessor Szymczak made a motion to deny the real estate abatement application for Map 117, Lot 103. This taxpayer stated they had no hardwood floors. Upon inspection, there were hardwood floors. Assessor Allen seconded. Passed.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Ms. Berg informed the Board that there is a farmer in Town who would like to file under 61A Agricultural/Horticultural to grow and harvest Hemp. Ms. Berg explained she spoke with the Department of Revenue's attorney. The attorney stated there is currently no allowance for hemp under 61A. There is no class code. The lawyer stated there is something currently in legislature for this. She stated the Board could vote to allow Hemp under 61A and calculate a "per acre" fee. Ms. Berg recommended the Board not vote for this. The Department of revenue is currently working on this and it seems the legislature is moving quickly and we should wait. The Board suggested contacting the USDA in Springfield for more information regarding this matter.

Assessor Szymczak made a motion to deny the real estate abatement for Applicant AA. Per Attorney John Lynch, this was filed in error. He requested his application be withdrawn. Assessor Allen seconded. Passed.

Assessor Szymczak made a motion to approve the real estate abatement application for Applicant AB, Map 122, Lot 88 in the amount of \$1,371.60. This property was over-assessed. Assessor Allen seconded. Passed.

Assessor Szymczak made a motion to hold the next Board meeting on March 8, 2019. Assessor Allen seconded. Passed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:24.

Lisa L. Berg, MAA
Principal Assessor