

MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF ASSESSORS
March 8, 2010

Attending: John Prentiss, Chairman, Vincent Ritchie, Diane Lanney

6:45 p.m. – Entered into Executive Session to discuss ATB strategy with intent to return to open session.

7:40 p.m. - Returned to Open Session.

Approved two Farm Animal Excise Assessments.

DA updated BOA regarding Reserve Fund Transfer and Budget email from Town Administrator regarding DA wage account deficit. Mr. Ritchie asked how many more times does the BOA have to provide the details of why and how this account fell into deficit beginning with the FY09 budget cuts. Also, why the Selectboard is unwilling to correct the calculation error after the DA has already forgone \$377.78 compensation for FY09 and FY10 as well as vacation and sick accrual time for FY09.

DA reiterated a conversation with the Town Administrator who informed her that she has inserted the corrected wage amount for FY11.

Approved November 23, 2009 meeting minutes.

Discussed 3 Reserve Fund Transfer Requests submitted October 26, 2009, December 14, 2009, January 7, 2010 still with no action. DA requests for meeting minutes have not been responded to. Therefore, the BOA has no idea if the Requests have been on the agenda or discussed. The DA did have a conversation with Dave Simmerer, acting Fin Com Chair, who stated Fin Com had initially received the request and although they did not have a quorum, they did discuss and had questions, to which the DA had not only provided all answers, but had stated she would attend their next meeting if Mr. Simmerer believed necessary. She contacted him the afternoon of their meeting and Mr. Simmerer stated she need not attend; however, she left her home phone number with him just in case. Mr. Ritchie and Mr. Prentiss unable to attend the next Fin Com meeting. Mr. Prentiss will contact Mr. Simmerer tomorrow and try to meet with him March 11, 2010, or if not, March 15, 2010 to ascertain what has gone on with Fin Com.

Discussion regarding State Statute Hardship Exemption age limit. DA reported there is pending legislation to change the "Age 60 *and* Infirm." to Age 60 *or* Infirm." *DA will check status.

Budget: DA presented FY11 Budget as developed for BOA. Unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Next meeting scheduled for March 22, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.