

**Town of Needham
Board of Assessors
Minutes of Monday April 01, 2024**

Present: John Bulian, Michael Niden, Arthur Tzouros, Melissa Motta Director of Assessing

Absent: None

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 9:05am. All votes taken during this meeting were by roll call.

1) Approve minutes of prior meeting;

- a. No updates at this time

2) New Business

- a. The Board reviewed the Schedule of Uncollectible Taxes – Personal Property which was submitted by Treasurer/Collector Ellyse Glushkov. The Schedule was accompanied by a list of 698 accounts to be abated for a total of \$ \$488,952.36. The Board voted to certify the abatement of the personal property taxes listed in the Schedule. This certification discharges the collector from any further obligation to collect the abated tax at this time. When polled, the members voted as follows: Bulian - Aye, Niden – Aye, Tzouros - Aye.
- b. Ms. Motta noted that an Application For Statutory Exemption had been received from NC Wyeth Research Foundation and Reading Libraries, Inc (Applicant), and would be presented and discussed in Executive Session.
- c. Board Member Michael Niden announced that he was an employee of the Applicant, that he would not be present during nor participate in any discussion regarding the application and that he would leave the meeting prior to entering into Executive Session.

3) Executive Session; a. Review Abatement and Exemption Applications;

- a. A motion was made by Mr. Bulian and seconded by Mr. Tzouros to enter into Executive Session to comply with the provisions of any general or special law; specifically, to discuss Real Estate and Personal Property exemption and/or abatement applications which are not open to public inspection (per M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 60) and to discuss Returns of Property Held for Charitable Purposes which are not open to public inspection (per M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 32); and to return to open session afterward. When polled, the members voted as follows: Bulian - Aye, Niden – Not Present, Tzouros - Aye.

4) Adjourned in Executive Session

- a. A motion was made by Mr. Bulian and seconded by Mr. Tzouros to Adjourn. When polled, the members voted as follows: Bulian - Aye, Niden – Not Present, Tzouros - Aye.

5) Schedule Next Meeting

- a. Next meeting scheduled for April 8, 2024 from 9:00am to 10:45am.

6) Adjourn 10:12am