

Board of Abatement Minutes

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

Present: Julie Smith, Kevin Dougherty, Pat Harvey, Brenda Goupee, Jessica Arsenault, Mike Harvey, Frank Severy (Zoom)

Kevin called the meeting at 6:00 pm

Kevin read the warning

Hearing for Jeremiah Bindrum- Kevin read the letter of request from Jerimiah Bindrum asking to abate the taxes on his home and property following the fire that destroyed his home on December 30, 2021, until he rebuilds. He also asked the board to abate the school taxes as well.

Kevin said his request fits the criteria of allowing for abatement of taxes.

Deliberative Session- Mike shared that it is obvious that the home was destroyed in the fire, and it was unfortunate for this family and under the circumstances and the fact that it does meet the criteria for the board to abate the taxes going forward from the date of the fire is appropriate. Kevin shared the amount of \$879.32. Kevin added the state school tax, the town is still responsible for that amount to be paid. The land, septic and water would still be separated because they would still be functional. Pat shared the foundation was ruined because of the foam block material used. This abatement would be used until April's appraisal from the lister, which would be lower. The amount of total days is 183 from December to the end of the tax year. The letter submitted from the lister show the amount is in consideration of the house and attached garage. Brenda asked if the amount of \$879.32 included the school tax. Frank and Kevin thought it was. Kevin calculated what Louis' figure was in his letter and it did include the school taxes as well.

Decision- Mike made a motion that the Board of Abatement abate taxes for the Jeremiah Bindrum property that was destroy by fire on December 30, 2021, for the amount of \$879.32. Pat seconded the motion. All in favor. So, voted. Kevin stated the vote passed to abate Jerimiah Bindrum's taxes on the dwelling and attached garage for the tax year at a value of \$879.32.

Adjourn-Jess made a motion to adjourn. Kevin seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 6:10pm

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Smith