

March 7, 2023

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

TOWN OF WALLINGFORD

MARCH 7, 2023

MINUTES

The Tuesday, March 7, 2023 regular meeting of the Wallingford Board of Assessment Appeals was held in room 315, Town Hall Municipal Building, and 45 South Main Street, Wallingford, Connecticut.

In attendance were Thomas Vitali – Board Chairman, Carl Bonamico – Board Member, Jared Liu – Board Member. Kevin Coons – Town Assessor, and Shelley Hemenway – Recording Secretary.

Chairman Vitali called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

The Board reviewed the minutes from the September 10, 2022 meeting. The Board noted a typographical error. Mr. Liu made a motion to approve the minutes with one correction. Seconded by Mr. Bonamico and passed unanimously.

Appointments were scheduled for each appellant and each appellant was sworn in before giving testimony. The entire Board heard each individual appeal. A decision was made by the Board and said decision will be sent in writing from the Assessors Office to each appellant within approximately one week.

The determination of appeals is based on the doings of the Wallingford Assessor on the Grand List dated October 1, 2022.

**APPEAL 2022-003**

Jamie Del Gallego

DBA – Belle Belle Esthetic LLC

24 Center St

Personal Property

Assessed Value \$12,500

Chairman Vitali stated this was in regards to the appellants Personal Property Declaration that was filed late. Chairman Vitali asked the appellant if he had filed in the past. Appellant stated no, this was his first time filing.

Chairman Vitali stated that the appellant had worked with the Town to fill out the information on the Personal Property. Appellant stated that yes, he had worked with someone in the Assessors office. Chairman Vitali told the appellant they wanted to make sure he understood what he has to do now and

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in the future. Chairman Vitali stated the current assessed value is \$12,500, which includes \$2,500 penalty.

Chairman Vitali asked Mr. Coons what the Assessors Office recommended. Mr. Coons stated that based on what the appellant filled out on his Personal Property Declaration, the new assessed value would be \$5,849.

Chairman Vitali stated that it had been recommended by Rhonda from the Assessors Office to reduce the assessed value to \$5,849. Chairman Vitali told the appellant he was glad he worked with the Assessors Office and got it all sorted out.

Mr. Bonamico made a motion to reduce the assessed value to \$5,849 including penalty. Seconded by Mr. Liu and passed unanimously.

Chairman Vitali and Mr. Coons told the appellant the Personal Property Declaration had to be filled out every year and the people in the Assessors Office could help him fill it out in September or October.

#### **APPEAL 2022-09**

Daniel Hyman

DBA – Able Equipment Rental Inc.

5 Alexander Dr

Personal Property

Chairman Vitali stated the Board was going to vote on Appeal 2022-09. There was an email dated that day, March 7, 2023, in the packet. The email stated the appellant was withdrawing their appeal.

Mr. Bonamico made a motion to accept the withdrawal. Seconded by Mr. Liu and passed unanimously.

#### **APPEAL 2022-02**

Joel Cramer

DBA- Remarcable Arms

29 Ward St 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl

Personal Property

Chairman Vitali stated the appellant wrote an email to the Assessors Office stating the appellant wanted to cancel his tax appeal hearing and withdraw his appeal.

Mr. Liu made a motion to accept the withdrawal. Seconded by Mr. Bonamico and passed unanimously.

At 6:19, there were no appellants waiting for appeal hearings. Mr. Coons left to call the appellants that were scheduled for that evening.

At 7:24 PM, Valerie Glynn arrived for her appeal.

**APPEAL 2022-06**

Valerie Glynn

2013 Volvo XC 90

Personal Property

Assessed Value \$ 30,930

Appellant stated her appeal was a lengthy file.

Chairman Vitali stated the appellant has been in Town Hall and worked with Rhonda from the Assessors Office.

Appellant stated that she filled out paperwork, Rhonda was not in the Office at that time, and they never came to an agreement. She had worked with Rhonda previously.

Chairman Vitali stated that because it was Personal Property, there was a 25% penalty added to the value.

Appellant stated she had a lot going on, and when she received her notice to appeal, she went to the Assessors Office to fill out Personal Property.

The Board discussed with the appellant the recommendation from Rhonda.

Mr. Liu made a motion to reduce the assessed value to \$10,212. Seconded by Mr. Bonamico and passed unanimously.

The Board waited until 8:00 PM for any other appellants scheduled to appear.

At 8:00 PM, the meeting was resumed.

**APPEAL 2022-01**

Dylan Moynihan

1979 Ford F250

MV

Assessed Value \$ 15,470

Chairman Vitali stated the appellant was scheduled between 6 and 7:00 PM and the appellant had not shown.

Mr. Bonamico made a motion of No Show/ No Change. Seconded by Mr. Liu and passed unanimously.

**APPEAL 2022-07**

Melissa Mercado DBA- Skin and Body Network 329 Main St Suite 207

Personal Property Assessed Value \$ 12,650

Chairman Vitali stated the appellant was scheduled between 7:00 and 8:00 PM and the appellant had not shown. She also notified the Assessors Office she would not be available.

Mr. Bonamico made a motion of No Show/ No Change. Seconded by Mr. Liu and passed unanimously.

**APPEAL 2022-08**

Corey & Alejandra Donath 2012 Volkswagen Passat

MV Assessed Value \$ 6,440

Chairman Vitali stated the appellant was scheduled at 8:00 PM and it was now 8:10 PM.

Mr. Bonamico made a motion of No Show/ No Change. Seconded by Mr. Liu and passed unanimously.

There was no old business.

There was no new business.

At 8:15PM, Mr. Liu made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Bonamico and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted.

Shelley Hemenway

Recording Secretary

Board of Assessment Appeals