



Norridgewock Board of Assessors
May 12, 2022
9:00 AM
Conference Room, Norridgewock Town Office

APPROVED
08/11/2022

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ronald Frederick, Chair
James Lyman, Vice Chair
Charlotte Curtis, Secretary

STAFF PRESENT

Richard LaBelle, Town Manager
Donna Hays, Assessing Agent

No members of the public were present for the meeting.

1. Call to Order

Clerk LaBelle called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

2. Election of Officers

Clerk LaBelle called for nominations for Chair. Mr. Lyman NOMINATED Mr. Frederick; Ms. Curtis seconded. There were no other nominations. Mr. Frederick was ELECTED CHAIR, 2-0-1 (Curtis, Lyman in favor; none opposed; Frederick abstained).

Mr. Frederick called for nominations for Vice Chair. Ms. Curtis NOMINATED Mr. Lyman; Mr. Frederick seconded. There were no other nominations. Mr. Lyman ELECTED VICE CHAIR.

Mr. Frederick called for nominations for Secretary. Mr. Frederick NOMINATED Ms. Curtis; seconded by Mr. Lyman. There were no other nominations. Ms. Curtis ELECTED SECRETARY.

3. Discussion/Action on October 28, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Lyman made a MOTION to approve minutes of October 28, 2021, as presented. Seconded by Mr. Frederick. MOTION PASSED.

4. Discussion/Action on Supplemental Action for the Elroy C. Chartrand Living Trust, Constance M. Chartrand Living Trust, and Eric C. Chartrand in an amount of \$2,427.80 tax for Farmland Program Removal (RE account 341; Smithfield Rd.)

The owners have proposed removing 32.7 acres of qualified land from the farmland program.

Mr. Lyman made a MOTION to approve a supplemental tax to the Elroy C. Chartrand Living Trust, Constance M. Chartrand Living Trust, and Eric C. Chartrand in the amount of \$2,427.80; seconded by Ms. Curtis. MOTION PASSED.

5. Discussion/Action on 2022 Valuations, Adjustments

Ms. Hays discussed valuations with the Board. She explained that current valuations are too low and this will impact the Town's ability to provide 100% of the exemptions applied for. She recommended that an increase of 10% for 2022 be adopted and again in 2023. The Board agreed.

6. Other Business

Mr. Lyman inquired about the taxation of solar development as personal property. Ms. Hays explained that solar development under a certain size is eligible for tax incentive under the BETE program. The Town will ultimately receive 50% from the State under the program.

7. Public Comment

None.

8. Adjournment

Mr. Lyman made a MOTION to adjourn at 10:06 AM. Seconded by Ms. Curtis. MOTION PASSED.