

Norridgewock Board of Assessors Meeting Minutes August 12, 2021 9:00 AM Conference Room, Norridgewock Town Office

APPROVED 09/01/2021

MEMBERS PRESENT
James Lyman, Vice Chair
Charlotte Curtis, Secretary

STAFF PRESENT
Richard LaBelle, Town Manager
Donna Moore Hays, Assessing Agent

MEMBERS ABSENT Ronald Frederick, Chair

No members of the public were present for the meeting.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:21 AM by Mr. Lyman.

2. Discussion/Action on March 17, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Ms. Curtis made a MOTION to approve the minutes of March 17, 2021. Seconded by Mr. Lyman. MOTION PASSED.

3. Discussion/Action on 2021 Tax Commitment

Ms. Curtis made a MOTION to set the 2021 tax rate at \$13.25 per thousand, appropriating \$200,000 from the undesignated fund balance to reduce taxation. Seconded by Mr. Lyman. MOTION PASSED.

4. Discussion Regarding Uncollectable Taxes

There are two old, uninhabitable mobiles that have been taxed an 'ON' lots and no one is claiming ownership. In order to avoid issues, Assessor Hays recommends taxing these directly with the land; however, it is also recommended that previous taxes be written off as uncollectable. Ms. Curtis made a MOTION to recommend to the Select Board that the two relevant accounts be written off as uncollectable. Seconded by Mr. Lyman. MOTION PASSED.

5. Discussion/Action on Supplemental Bill in an amount of \$3,540.76 tax (RE account 1762; Ward Hill Rd.; Map 003, Lot 014)

This property is presently under a purchase and sales agreement and planned for subdivision. The property will be taken out of the Farmland program and a supplemental bill will be issued. The new owner has been advised of this penalty. Mr. Lyman made a MOTION to approve the Supplemental Bill in the amount of \$3,540.76, pending the completion of the closing transaction. Seconded by Ms. Curtis. MOTION PASSED.

6. Other Business

Ms. Hays discussed property values and assessed values. The assessed values are much lower than real market value and there are some actions that may need to be considered in the future.

7. Public Comment

None.

8. Adjournment

Mr. Lyman adjourned the meeting at 9:58 AM.