

**MINUTES
BOARD OF ASSESSORS MEETING
REGULAR SESSION
January 3, 2011
Veterans Memorial Building, Room 106
900 Main Street, Millis, MA 02054**

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Bouret called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. The following persons were present: Lawrence Bouret, Stephanie Bravoco, David O'Brien, Robert Finnegan, Teresa Cousens, Jennifer Cederberg and Kathleen LaPlant.

REORGANIZATION:

Motion by Mr. Bouret, seconded by Mr. O'Brien, to appoint Stephanie Bravoco as Vice Chairman. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Bouret, seconded by Ms. Bravoco, to appoint David O'Brien as Clerk of the Board. The motion passed unanimously.

MEETING MINUTES:

Motion by Mr. Bouret, seconded by Ms. Bravoco, to approve the minutes of the Nov 1, 2010 BOA meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

FUTURE MEETINGS: Mr. Finnegan suggested Jan 24, 2011 at 5:30 PM as the next BOA meeting, and the morning of Jan 30, 2011 for an in-field session in which he and the members could do curbside review of several Abatement applications.

FY 2011 ASSESSMENTS: Mr. Finnegan mentioned that the FY 2011 increase in revenue to be derived from the Millis Property Tax is approximately 1%, and that he would confirm this to the Members by email. He also mentioned that the FY 2011 Tax Rate has increased by 13%, and that the increase was essentially a result in the 7% decrease in property values.

CORRECTIONS: Mr. Finnegan amended two statements he had made at the Dec 6, 2010 meeting.

COURSE 101: Mr. Finnegan noted that the DOR Course 101, which Ms. Bravoco and Mr. O'Brien are required to take, will be held in the Natick, MA Public Library, and that he would again contact Donna Quinn (DOR) for further details. Once these become available, they will be emailed.

SIGNINGS:

Motion by Mr. Bouret, seconded by Mr. O'Brien, to sign the FY 2011 Real and Personal Property Tax Commitment. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Bouret, seconded by Ms. Bravoco, to sign Commitment no. 989. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Bouret, seconded by Ms. Bravoco, to sign Commitment no. 990. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Bouret, seconded by Mr. O'Brien, to sign Commitment no. 6. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Bouret, seconded by Mr. O'Brien, to sign Commitment no. 12. The motion passed unanimously.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 6:25 p.m.,

Motion by Chairman Bouret to enter into Executive Session to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, if such discussions may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the governmental body and a person, firm or corporation, to emerge only for the purpose of adjournment . By Roll Call Vote: Bouret – aye; Bravaco – aye; O’Brien – aye.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theresa M. Cousens
Administrative Clerk