

**BOARD OF  
ASSESSORS  
MEETING  
MINUTES**

**January 6, 2016**

**Town Hall 1 Main St., Upton, MA 01568**

**Chairman James Earl, Assessor Kelly McElreath, Department  
Coordinator, Tracey Tardy**

1 The meeting, located at 1 Main St Upton MA, Ground floor conference room, was called to order by  
2 Chairman Earl @ 4:46 p.m.

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4 Attendees: Assessor James Earl, Assessor Kelly McElreath and Department Coordinator Tracey Tardy  
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6 Motion was made by Assessor McElreath to accept the meeting minutes from December 21, 2015.  
7 Second: Chairman Earl, majority vote by the Board.  
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9 Vouchers were approved; Motor vehicle abatement applications and certificates were approved.  
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11 Review of plan from the planning board, new map and lot numbers were approved and verified for  
12 Southboro Rd, Blueberry Ln area change lot 7C, Walker Dr./Milford St land area change and combined  
13 lots.  
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15 Reviewed 2 real estate abatement applications and approved them.  
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17 The Board approved exemption certificates  
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19 Discussion took place to let the office know that nomination papers will be ready on February 11  
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21 The property card for Mrs. Benny of 15 Powers Rd was reviewed as she wanted a board member to  
22 contact her regarding the increase in her value. Assessor McElreath will contact her on Thursday January  
23 7. It was found that the value was correct and that from last year to this year it increased as the building  
24 was not complete in Fy15.  
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26 The Trask property has been changed from chapter 61A to 61B which will give the town \$330,983 in  
27 value. This is not considered growth.  
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29 Assessor McElreath has requested that the Department Coordinator try to come up with an estimate for  
30 new growth and let the Town Manager know and the Board members know what the estimate is.  
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32 A discussion took place regarding the Hixon property located @ 108 Main St. there is an issue with the  
33 back lot that the Hixon's purchased from the town in 1984 and it was found that is didn't have a clear  
34 title. Research is being done with the Hixon's lawyer and Department Coordinator to try and rectify the  
35 error. It was found that a deed was written and not recorded. This will be brought to the Town Counsel  
36 to be rectified.  
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38 The Town Manager sent word with an update for the Chace property case. Town Counsel would like the  
39 opinion of the Board as if they feel the town should pursue this any further and expend more money to try  
40 a prove the town owns the land and not Mr. Chace. The Board feels enough of the town's money has  
41 been spent on the case and it will be left up to Mr. Chace to pursue it any further.  
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43 The meeting was adjourned @ 5:38 p.m.  
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45 Respectfully Submitted,  
46 Tracey Tardy, Department Coordinator