## BOARD OF ASSESSORS MEETING MINUTES April 19, 2016

PRESENT: Jeanne Cunningham, Chairman Frank Danisienka, Jim Coffey

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Office.

The Board reviewed and approved the following:

- The Minutes of the April 5, 2016 Meeting.
- Timber Tax Warrant for Altman Rev. Trust, lot 4/12, \$5.96.
- Excavation Tax Warrant for Koivula, Iver J. Rev. Trust, lot 6/20B Gravel, \$621.10.
- Excavation Tax Warrant, Bruce White, lot 1/15 Gravel, \$66.14.
- Excavation Tax Warrant, Robert L. Kuusisto, lot 9/2 Gravel, \$129.86.
- Blind Exemption for Jason Rodenhiser, lot 5B/14-1, \$15,000
- Veteran's Exemption for Michale Gorsch, lot 13/40, \$500.
- Tax Abatement for Carl M. & Kara Traffie, Abatement # 15-22, \$1353.64.
- Elderly Exemption for Ralph Kelly, lot 3/38, \$50,000.
- The Board denied a Veterans' Tax Exemption for Charles Jackman, the reason being: did not serve during a qualifying period.

The Board met with Joe Fionda, lot 11/55, regarding a discrepancy in the lot acreage. Mr. Fionda states his property consists of 13 acres, not 20. The assessment card for the property indicates 20 acres and tax map 11 indicates 13 acres. The Board will review the map with Southwest Region Planning Commission to determine the correct acreage. The Board suggested Mr. Fionda have his land surveyed. Mr. Fionda does not feel the expense of the survey should be on him.

John Bellevue, Craig Dudley, Matt Oiveria and a large group of residents met with the Assessors to discuss the recent decision by the Board to tax solar panel systems. There objection is the potential savings investing in Solar Panels will be offset by the increase in taxes. The group brought up the Warrant Article that was passed in 1990 "to encourage the Select Board to exempt solar panels." Jim stated the warrant article was not binding.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30. BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Jeanne M. Cunningham, Chairman

James Coffey

Frank Danisienka