

BOARD OF ASSESSORS MEETING
MAY 7, 2013

PRESENT: Jeanne Cunningham, Chairman, George Slyman, Jim Coffey

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

At 6:15 p.m. the Board met with Mr. H. Curtiss Priest regarding his property located at 72 Academy Road, lot 11/131A, the former Appleton School. Mr. Priest applied for an educational exemption. He plans to open a museum on the site and teach K-12 students robotics and related electronic skills as museum interns by placing selected artifacts to be observed, live via the internet, to educate learners worldwide.

An apartment may be made in one of the upper floors. The gym may be used for town purposes. Nothing is proposed to be done to the building at this time.

Mr. Priest was asked to fill out the A-12 form. An exemption from the State is required. He may be required to go to the Planning Board and/or Zoning Board once final plans are made.

The Board approved and signed the Dog License Warrant.

An appeal of a timber yield tax by Albert Jenks for lot 2/7 was reviewed and the appeal denied. The Board believes that they followed the correct procedure for determining the timber values. Had Mr. Jenks bid the sale and furnished the Board with two or three bids, they could have used the higher bid as a value basis.

A letter was received from Avitar Associates of New England, Inc. stating they are unable to bid on the RFP for statistical and general assessing at this time.

The Board received and reviewed the A-12 form from New Ipswich Historical Society and the A-9 form from New Ipswich Congregational Church.

The Board received RFPs for general assessing services from Municipal Resources and from KRT Appraisal. No action was taken.

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