



## TOWN OF HAMDEN

### *Board of Assessment Appeals*

**Minutes:** The Board of Assessment Appeals, Town of Hamden held a special meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 24, 2023, via virtual Zoom; the following issues were discussed:

***BAA Zoom Recording:***

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**Attending:** John DeNicola and James (Jim) Pascarella. **Absent:** Kurt Bauknecht. Also in attendance: Patrice LeMoine, Clerk for the Board.

- 1. Call to order:** At 7:13 p.m. the Board opened the meeting and reviewed the agenda.
- 2. Public Comment regarding the Agenda:** No one from the public was present.
- 3. Report from the Chairman:** Mr. Pascarella noted the recent ordinance that approved the addition of two members to the Board of Assessment Appeals by the year 2025. This is due to the upcoming re-evaluation that will be underway for the taxpayer's real estate and will affect the grand list for 2024. Appeals that will be filed for appeal will most likely increase and the year 2025 will require more board members to assist with the hearing process.
- 4. Approval of past Minutes:** Mr. Pascarella requested a motion to approve the following minutes –

J. DeNicola motioned to approve the February 22, 2023 minutes as presented. J. Pascarella seconded. The motion carried.

J. DeNicola motioned to approve the March 14, 2023 minutes as presented. J. Pascarella seconded. The motion carried.

J. DeNicola motioned to approve the March 21, 2023 minutes as presented. J. Pascarella seconded. The motion carried.

J. DeNicola motioned to approve the March 23 and 28, 2023 (hearings and deliberations) minutes as presented. J. Pascarella seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

J. DeNicola motioned to approve the March 23 minutes of the special meeting as presented. J. Pascarella seconded. The motion carried.

**5. Old Business:** Nothing to present.

**6. New Business:**

- a. Message from the Town Assessor – Nothing to present.
- b. Discuss the protocols for the upcoming hearings for motor vehicle appeals and review the schedule for hearings and decisions.

Mr. Pascarella confirmed with Mr. DeNicola the protocols and resources for motor vehicle assessments that will be coming up this September. In the past, the Board referred to NADA and Kelly's Blue Book for numbers. This year will be a challenge due to the recent increase for used auto valuations. They discussed how they will hold the deliberations either at the end of the hearings or hold a separate meeting for decisions.

Currently, two members have conflicts with attending the hearings on Thursday, September 14, 2023. The Board will contact the Assessor's office to consider moving the hearings to Wednesday, September 13, 2023. Decision will be made by August 25, 2023.

- c. Confirmation of Petitions: There is no deadline to submit appeal petitions. Taxpayers are allowed to walk-in with the appeal petitions on the evening of hearing. Ms. LeMoine will confirm with the Assessor's office if any petitions have been submitted. To-date, one taxpayer is filing an appeal.

**7. Adjournment:** By mutual agreement and with no other business to address, Mr. Pascarella adjourned the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

Submitted by:

*s/ Patrice A. LeMoine*

Clerk for the Board of Assessment Appeals

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