***MINUTES OF MEETING----------------------------------------------FEBRUARY 27, 2018***

*Meeting called to order at 5:00 P.M. in the Assessor’s Office. Assessor Chairman Ken O’Brien, Assessor Kevin Rudden, and Principal Assessor Jean Berthold were present. Assessor Susan Edmonds was absent.*

*Motion made by Kevin and Ken steps down as Chairman to approve the minutes of February 6, 2018. Unanimous vote.*

*The Board discusses the FY2018 Abatement Applications.*

*Motion made by Kevin and Ken steps down as Chairman to second approving a FY18 Real Estate Tax Abatement for a property located at 93 North Avenue for a period of 194 days on the house only due to a fire. Unanimous vote.*

*The Board will schedule an appointment for a property located at 30 Miscoe Road (Assessor ID shown as 26 Miscoe Road) to view the property prior to deciding on the abatement.*

*Assessor Kevin Rudden advises that he attended the Selectmen’s meeting on February 26, 2018 to discuss the Assessors request to hire Special Counsel for ATB cases. Kevin advises that the Board of Selectmen approved the request but wishes Kevin to check with present Town Counsel to ascertain if there are any attorneys within their firm that specialize in ATB cases. Our consultant Paul Kapinos has recommended Patrick J Costello of Louison, Costello, Condon & Pfaff, LLP at as he has worked with him in the past and finds him to be very good.*

*Motion made by Kevin and Ken steps down as Chairman to hire Attorney Costello contingent upon our present Town Counsel not having a comparable attorney. Unanimous vote.*

*The Board discusses the upcoming field work. Principal Assessor Jean Berthold submits new data collection forms and request they be utilized going forward.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Kevin Rudden, Clerk*

 *MINUTES APPROVED: 3/26/2018*