

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

Thursday, March 16, 2023

6:30 PM

Called to Order:

Meeting of BAA called to order at 6:35 PM by chairman Tim Richmond.

Members present were: Tim Richmond, Ann Crane, Tom Jagoda.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Amendment to March 8, 2023 minutes: Tom Jagoda made motion to rescind motion made on Ives property on Riggs St. because of miscommunication between assessor & appellant. Motion was seconded by Ann Crane. Motion carried unanimously. New date to hear appeal on March 16, 2023 at 7:00PM.

Old Business:

David & Bernice Schlian, 350 Niblick Lane: didn't have proper square footage; assessment based on 70% of new assessment. Went up \$4,000. \$298,000 in March, 2023; in July, 2022, was \$294,000. Based on finished part of basement & square footage, assessment seemed fair as seen by BBA. Ann Crane made a motion to deny appeal, seconded by Tom Jagoda. Motion carried unanimously.

Robert Ives – Ives Farm, Riggs St.: Mr. Ives, trustee of land, represented by Attorney John Spoonheimer, P.O. Box 151, Ansonia, CT 06401. Forestland since over 10 years. BBA questioned why switching to farmland? Mr. Ives stated now working on honey bees venture. Had to file prior to Oct.1, 2022, to get land declared as farmland. Application made out by Sept. 13, 2022. Assessor records revealed farming not taking place; application for sugaring not taking place. Appellant stated that he was working with Assessor in 2022. Mr. Ives appealing to BBA because of decision of Assessor: Change from forestland to farmland & was verbally denied by Assessor; claims that no written reason was given by Assessor. BBA felt application form was well within Oct. 1, 2022 deadline; form was received by Sept.13, 2022. Ann Crane made motion to approve appeal of Mr. Ives to change forestland to farmland. Motion was seconded by Tom Jagoda. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business: None

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

Adjournment: Tim Richmond made a motion, seconded by Tom Jagoda to adjourn meeting.
Motion carried unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 7:32PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lois Caprio

Lois Caprio, BAA Secretary

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TOWN CLERK

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