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DATE: May 7, 2024

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April 24, 2024

The Board of Assessors met at 7:45 A.M. Mr. Laverty Mr. Reardon and Mr. Murphy were present.

The Board opened the session to public participation.

Representatives from Belmont Hill joined the meeting once again regarding properties that make up what will be a parking lot. The properties were formally single-family homes purchased by Belmont Hill and recently razed to construct the parking lot. The properties will transfer from taxable to exempt shifting a significant amount of tax burden to the residents in town.

There were no questions from the public.

The minutes of the previous session were read. On motion by Mr. Laverty, seconded by Mr. Murphy, passed unanimously, the minutes were accepted as read.

The Board Discussed the outstanding bills associated with litigation associated with the Belmont Country Club. The Town Administration is no longer providing reimbursement for ongoing litigation at the Appellate Tax Board. The outstanding bills are being addressed by transferring operational funds from the department to fund the amount due.

Additionally, Town Council is billing the department for all trusts that are reviewed for exemptions filed by residents.

The Board discussed how this change in policy will seriously impact charges against the Overlay and jeopardize the ability of the town to defend assessments at the Appellate Tax Board.

The Board will be adding legal costs as a budget item to the Fiscal Year 2026 budget in order to provide litigation expenses in defense of the Belmont.

The following bills/vouchers were approved for payment:

Ambriano Anthony (FY24 Legal fees)	dated 11/01/2023
Ambriano Anthony (FY24 Legal fees)	dated 01/23/2024
Ambriano Anthony (FY24 Legal fees 2 invoices)	dated 03/02/2024
Crystal Rock (water delivery)	dated 04/01/2024

The Board signed the Invoice Report dated 5/2/2024 for five invoices amounting \$19,594.15.

The weekly list(s) of taxes exempted or abated was (were) signed: 4/5/2024, 4/12/2024 and 4/19/2024 The taxes exempted totaled \$9,976.58.

The Board signed the Assessors Warrant to Collector for Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise for the Eighth Commitment of 2023, in the amount of \$ 5.00.



The Board signed the Assessors Warrant to Collector for Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise for the Second Commitment of 2024, in the amount of \$ 485,828.56.

On motion by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Reardon, passed unanimously, the Board went into executive session at 8:35 a.m. for the purpose of acting on applications for exemptions. The following applications were acted upon: *

Clause 17D	0	Clause 22	0	Clause 41A	6	Clause 42	1
Clause 18	0	Clause 37A	1	Clause 41C	2	CPA	2

On motion by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Reardon, passed unanimously, the Board came out of executive session at 9:30 a.m.

The Board voted to hold the next meeting on May 7th, 2024 at 7:45 am.


Charles R. Harvey, III

Robert P Reardon
Secretary

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Cert	Bill	Owner	Location	Class	41A	17D	18	22	22A	22B	22D	22E	37A	41C	42	
379	8644	ZUCCARELLO TE GUY JR	78 ELIZABETH RD	101									X			1,000.00
380	1835	CULLINANE TR MARGARET	85 WINN ST	101											X	12,587.52
381	363	ARMEN VERA G	221 CLAFLIN ST	101										X		2,000.00
382	403	ASIMAKOPOULOS DEMETRIO	31-33 HAMILTON RD	104										X		2,000.00
383	7145	SHEA KATHLEEN V	66 TROWBRIDGE ST	101			X									2,000.00
384	8203	WILLIAMS CAROLE A	3 STABLES WAY	102			X									2,500.00
385	7004	SCANLON MADELEINE C	26 MYRTLE ST	101			X									7,500.00
386	1166	BURNS LE HELENA F	39 BETTS RD	101			X									2,000.00
387	4074	KOTZOBALDIRIS IRAKALIS P	368 PLEASANT ST	334			X									2,000.00
Exemptions Granted			9													33,587.52

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT TAXES WERE EXEMPTED DURING THE
WEEK OF 4/26/2024, AS SPECIFIED BY THE ABOVE SCHEDULE

BELMONT Abatements For 4/26/2024

4/29/2024 8:24:30AM

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Bill	Owner	Location		Abated Taxes	Class
2247	DUKAS TE THEODORE	236	PAYSON RD	\$1,098.24	101
2707	GALLAGHER SIOBHAN	7	BROAD ST	\$1,161.60	101
Abatements Granted		2		\$2,259.84	

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT TAXES WERE ABATED DURING THE WEEK OF 4/26/2024, AS SPECIFIED BY THE ABOVE SCHEDULE