GOSHEN BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Regular Meeting- June 19, 2019 Assessor's Office

The June 19, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Goshen Board of Assessors was called to order at 4:05 p.m.

PRESENT:

Board Members – Mary Wheeler & Alan Booth Assessor – Lucy Hussman ABSENT: Board Member – Jay Upton

READING OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the March 20, 2019 meeting were reviewed and approved.

REQUEST TO BE HEARD: None

ASSESSORS REPORT:

There was a 1.0% increase from the 2017 Grand List to the 2018 Grand List. Following the town budget vote in May, it was decided that the mill rate for the July 2019 tax bills will remain the same at 19.6 mills. The tax bills have been printed and they are scheduled to be mailed on June 24, 2019.

The Board of Assessment Appeals finished their hearings in March which resulted in a 194,020 assessment decrease in the Grand List. The Final 2018 Net Grand List on which taxes will be levied is 559,425,795. In May, the town received court summons from two property owners that are dissatisfied by their assessment and aggrieved by the action of the Board of Assessment Appeals. The town is being represented by Atty. Mark Connolly.

The Assessor's Office processed 15 Elderly Homeowners Tax Relief Applications this year and have a total of 37 participants in the program. Application are only required every other year. We also are in the process of collecting applications and supporting documentation for the Additional Veterans and Local Option Veterans tax exemption programs.

BUDGET UPDATE:

The budget report dated 6/19/2019 was reviewed and is on schedule at 90.17% with two weeks remaining in the fiscal year.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS: In the 19/20 fiscal year the Assessor's Office will purchase and install the Quality Data Service Personal Property Module to assist in tracking and processing the Personal Property Accounts and Declarations. In the 20/21 fiscal year it will be necessary to upgrade the Vision CAMA software to Version 8.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 4:35 P.M.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, September 18, 2019 at 4:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Attest Barbara & Bury
Goshen Town Clerk