

TOWN OF BOURNE **Board of Assessors** 24 Perry Avenue Buzzards Bay, MA 02532 (508) 759-0600 Ext. 1328 + Fax (508) 759-8026



Priscilla A. Koleshis, Chairperson Michael Leitzel, Clerk Ellen Doyle Sullivan, Member

MEETING MINUTES

Minutes from the Board of Assessors Meeting which was held on August 6, 2019

Location: Town Hall Conference Room

Meeting participants: Chairperson Priscilla Koleshis, Clerk, Member Ellen Doyle Sullivan, Director of

Assessing Bruce Cabral and Assistant Assessor Rui Pereira

Open Session Meeting called to order: at 9:03 am

The Board Reviewed the minutes from the Open Session and Executive Session Meetings of the Board of Assessors, which was held on: June 25, 2019. A motion to approve and release the minutes was made by Priscilla Koleshis seconded by Ellen Sullivan and the vote was unanimous by a roll call vote.

The Board discussed the recent increase for public records request relating to historical assessments and abutters list through the Town's website.

A motion was made by Priscilla Koleshis to enter into Executive Session at 9:45 am to review Fiscal Year 2016, 2018 and 2019 settlement agreement for TC systems (f.k.a. Teleport Communications Group), under G.L. c. 30A Sec. 21(a)(7) and to comply with M.G.L. Ch. 59, Sec. 60. The motion was seconded by Ellen Sullivan and approval of the motion was unanimous by a roll call vote.

Executive Session called to order: at 9:15 am

A motion was made by Priscilla Koleshis and seconded by Ellen Sullivan to accept the settlement agreement for Fiscal Year 2016, 2018 and 2019 between the Town of Bourne and TC systems (f.k.a. Teleport Communications Group) regarding Appellate Tax Board Litigation and Disputed Assessments of Personal Property Subject to Central Valuation. Massachusetts Department of Revenue officials participated in the negotiation of the settlement. The approved settlement refund is comprised of: \$2,048.79 for Fiscal Year 2016, \$2,110.99 for Fiscal Year 2018 and the withdrawal of an abatement application for Fiscal Year 2019. Acceptance was unanimous by a roll call vote.

A motion was made by Priscilla Koleshis to reconvene to Open Session, seconded by Ellen Sullivan, and approval of the motion was unanimous by a roll call vote.

Executive Session Adjourned: at 9:25 am

Open Session meeting reconvened: at 9:25 am

The Board discussed FY2019 Personal Property demand notices.

The Board discussed the status of the cyclical property inspections plan.

Tentative plans were discussed by the Board for the next meeting to be held in September.

Meeting Adjourned: at 9:56 am

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Cabral, MAA Director of Assessing