

**TOWN OF DERBY, VERMONT
BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY
TAX ABATEMENT HEARING
MINUTES
March 21, 2022**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Elizabeth Bumps, Frank Davis, Karen Jenne-Chair, Clerk-Faye Morin, Loren Shaw, Brian Smith, Doug Spates, Grant Spates & Lona Stuart

OTHERS PRESENT: Listers: Mark Linton & Mike Marsh & Delinquent Tax Collector: Maryann Tetreault

CALLED TO ORDER: Karen Jenne called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

TAX ABATEMENT:

Karen said that we need to add to the Agenda - Reorganize the Board of BCA. Doug made a motion to appoint Karen Jenne to remain Chair for the BCA, Brian Smith seconded. Doug made a motion to appoint Grant Spates to remain Vice Chair for the BCA, Elizabeth Bumps seconded.

Karen swore in Maryann and the Board of Civil Authority members and Listers.

MARYANN TETREULT: Presented a letter for the Board and read it to them.

STANLEY WARNER MHO 0000TTPK084B01 2477 RT 5 LOT B01

Maryann wants the BCA to abate the taxes on the mobile home owned by Stanley Warner whom is now deceased; the property is a 1994 mobile home which was deemed uninhabitable in 2019. Taxes were abated in 2019 but no paperwork was received by the Town stating that the mobile home was now Housing Foundations Inc. With no paperwork received from the town the mobile home remained on the Grand List and now the taxes for 2020 and 2021 are delinquent, the mobile home was moved out of Town without the Taxes ever being paid. The Housing Foundation and their Attorney says they are not responsible for any property taxes.

Brian Smith – If the BCA disputes this, it will cost the Town a lot of money for Attorney fees.

Karen reviewed the reasons for abatements and discussed with the BCA which to check off.

Maryann is asking the Town to abate the taxes for the years 2020 for \$601.03 and the taxes for 2021 in the amount of \$524.73, for a total amount of \$1,125.76 and to be removed from the Grand List so it is no longer charged.

Doug motioned to abate the taxes of \$1,125.76 and to send the Housing Foundation a letter explaining the laws about mobile homes and the taxes need to be paid in full before moving out of Town. Brian seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carries.

Karen asked if there was any other business – no other business.

Doug Spates made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:43 p.m. All in favor; Meeting Adjourned.

Faye Morin

BCA Clerk

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