

**Minutes**  
**Town of Montague Assessors' Department**  
1 Avenue A (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor), Turners Falls, MA  
June 3, 2013

Members Present: Paul Emery, Teresa Miner, Betty Waidlich  
Staff Present: Barbara Miller, Director of Assessing  
Meeting convened 3:30 p.m.

- Approved Minutes of May 20, 2013  
Motion to approve made by Ms. Waidlich, Second by Mr. Emery, Vote unanimous
- Approved Executive Session Minutes of May 20, 2013  
Motion to approve made by Ms. Miner, Second by Ms. Waidlich, Vote unanimous

**SIGNATURES REQUIRED**

- Time sheets for Ms. Miller, weeks ending 05/25/2013 and 06/01/2013 signed by Mr. Emery
- Assessor to Collector Certification of Abatement of Uncollected Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise  
Motion to approve made by Ms. Waidlich, Second by Ms. Miner, Vote unanimous

**UPDATES TO BOARD**

- Ms. Miller provided a summary regarding a letter received from Doherty, Wallace, Pillsbury and Murphy, P.C. which is informing the 40 communities in Massachusetts with property owned by New England Forestry Foundation, Inc. (NEFF) that they sought a charitable exemption in the Town of Hawley. The ATB found for Hawley and NEFF appealed. The Supreme Judicial Court has taken the case for direct review. This is a very significant case as Montague has considerable property which is owned by different conservation foundations.
- Summer Schedule is as follows:
  - July 8, 2013
  - July 22, 2013
  - August 12, 2013
  - August 26, 2013
  - September 9, 2013
  - September 23, 2013
- Topics not anticipated covered in the 48 hour posting requirement
  - Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Warrant to Collector Levy 2013
    - Commitment #3 - \$58,755.12
    - Commitment #99 - \$2,551.25

Meeting Adjourned 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Miller  
Director of Assessing

Minutes approved \_\_\_\_\_