

TOWN OF EAST LYME
BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

SEPTEMBER 12, 2015

MEETING MINUTES

Members Present:

Michael Foley, Chairman
Ralph Napiany
Susan Graham

FILED IN EAST LYME
CONNECTICUT
Sept 16 2015 AT 8:25 AM/PM
Taven Goolcharran
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

Mr. Foley called the meeting to order at 9:00 p.m.

1. Raymond Wright – List Number: 516779, 2004 Toyota 4Runner

Mr. Wright was sworn in. He has 206,000 miles on the vehicle. The Board viewed the car.

2. Mary Hunter – List Number: 50710, 2001 Mazda Protégé LX

Ms. Hunter was sworn in. She stated the vehicle has 165,000 miles, that model year was prone to rot, which is around the wheel wells. The Board viewed the car.

3. Mary Hunter – List Number: 509676, 1999 Mercedes E300

Ms. Hunter stated she paid \$500.00 for this car. There are 249,000 miles on it, and there is some rot. The car was not at the hearing to be viewed.

4. Marie April Andreoli – List Number: 500361, 2004 Prius Hybrid

Ms. Andreoli was sworn in. She stated the battery is on its last leg. There are 212,000 miles on the vehicle. The interior is not in good condition, and there are dents all over it. The Board viewed the car.

5. Telutama D. Goolcharran – List Number: 505864, 2009 Toyota Camry LE

Mr. Goolcharran was sworn in. There are 106,000 miles on the vehicle. The Board did not view the car.

6. Chimanlall Goolcharran – List Number: 505863, 2004 Acura MDX

Mr. Goolcharran presented this vehicle for his wife, who was present. There are 249,500 miles on the vehicle. There also some scratches and dents. The Board did not view the car.

7. Norman Henry – List Number: 506671, 1994 Volvo 944

Mr. Henry was sworn in. The vehicle has 282,000 miles on it. The paint is peeling and there is a lot of wear on the interior. The Board viewed the car.

8. Rick Pine – List Number: 512061, 2006 Hyundai Elantra

Mr. Pine was sworn in. He thinks the assessed value should be \$1890.00. It has dents and a lot of scratches, and has 120,000 miles. The Board did not view the car.

9. Rick Pine – List Number: 512060, 2012 Hyundai Elantra

Mr. Pine stated there are 75,000 miles on the vehicle. The Board did not view the car.

10. Alan Barrows – List Number 500818, 2010 Hyundai Sonata

Mr. Barrows was sworn in. There are 150,000 miles on the vehicle. The Board did not view the car.

11. David Godbout – List Number: 505754, 2012 Honda Insight

Mr. Godbout was sworn in. He asked to disqualify Mr. Foley. Mr. Foley recused himself. Mr. Godbout stated he wanted to call witnesses, who were not present. He stated he believes the assessment process is improper and disagreed with the Board's use of the NADA guide for assessment purposes as it hadn't been entered into evidence. His vehicle has 24,000 miles on it. He was advised by the Board to discuss his problems with the assessment process with OPM. The Board did not view his car.

12. Bob Fatone – List Number: 504659, 1994 BMW 325i

Mr. Fatone was sworn in. He stated the vehicle has nearly 250,000 miles on it. The interior is well worn. He thinks the assessed value should be around \$550.00. The Board did not view the car, but Mr. Fatone did present pictures.

13. Bob Fatone – List Number: 504660, 1991 Chevy Truck

Mr. Fatone stated he bought the truck for \$400.00. It has just under 200,000 miles on it. He doesn't feel the assessment should be over \$500.00. The Board did not view the car, but Mr. Fatone did present pictures.

14. Bob Fatone – List Number: 504664, 1996 Lincoln Continental

Mr. Fatone thinks the vehicle should have an assessment of \$750.00. It has 159,500 miles on it.

15. David Godbout – List Number: 505753, Nissan Hybrid

Mr. Godbout was sworn in. Mr. Foley recused himself. Mr. Godbout moved to disqualify Mr. Napiany. He objected to the NADA guide as evidence. He was advised that he is asking them to make legal decisions on the process, which they stated they cannot do. Mr. Godbout asked for copies of all emails between members of the Board. He was advised that there was an email with the notice of the meeting, and reminder email to the members. Mr. Godbout stated he is doing an FOI request for all emails or texts. The Board did not view the vehicle.

16. Susan Bracht – List Number: 2004 Ford Explorer

Ms. Bracht was sworn in. She stated the vehicle has 175,000 miles and is in poor condition. The Board did not view the vehicle.

17. Kevin and Cecilia Bradley – List Number: 2006 Volvo XC70

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley were sworn in. They stated the vehicle has no all-wheel drive. It has 152,676 miles. They think it is worth \$3178.00. The Board did not view the vehicle.

DELIBERATIONS

1. Raymond Wright – List Number: 516779, 2004 Toyota 4Runner

Motion (1) Ms. Graham moved to change the actual value to \$7600.00

Seconded by Mr. Foley.

Motion Passed 3-0.

2. Mary Hunter – List Number: 50710, 2001 Mazda Protégé LX

Motion (2) Mr. Foley moved to adjust the actual value to \$900.00.

Seconded by Mr. Napiany.

Motion Passed 3-0.

3. Mary Hunter – List Number: 509676, 1999 Mercedes E300

Motion (3) Ms. Graham moved to adjust the actual value to \$1800.00.

Seconded by Mr. Napiany.

Motion Passed 3-0.

4. Marie April Andreoli – List Number: 500361, 2004 Prius Hybrid

Motion (4) Ms. Graham moved to adjust the actual value to \$2850.00

Seconded by Mr. Foley.

Motion Passed 3-0.

5. Telutama D. Goolcharran – List Number: 505864, 2009 Toyota Camry LE

Motion (5) Ms. Graham moved to adjust the actual value to \$8025.00.

Seconded by Mr. Foley.

Motion Passed 3-0.

6. Chimanlall Goolcharran – List Number: 505863, 2004 Acura MDX

Motion (6) Mr. Foley moved to adjust the actual value to \$4375.00.

Seconded by Mr. Napiany.

Motion Passed 3-0.

7. Norman Henry – List Number: 506671, 1994 Volvo 944

Motion (7) Mr. Foley moved to adjust the actual value to \$1000.00.

Seconded by Ms. Graham.

Motion Passed 3-0.

8. Rick Pine – List Number: 512061, 2006 Hyundai Elantra

Motion (8) Ms. Graham moved to adjust the actual value to \$2650.00.

Seconded by Mr. Napiany.

Motion Passed 3-0.

9. Rick Pines – List Number: 512060, 2012 Hyundai Elantra

Motion (9) Mr. Foley moved to adjust the actual value to \$9250.00.

Seconded by Mr. Napiany.

Motion Passed 3-0.

10. Alan Barrows – List Number 500818, 2010 Hyundai Sonata

Motion (10) Mr. Foley moved to adjust the actual value to \$6615.00.

Seconded by Mr. Napiany.

Motion Passed 3-0.

11. David Godbout – List Number: 505754, 2012 Honda Insight

Motion (11) Ms. Graham moved to take no action.

Seconded by Mr. Napiany.

Motion Passed 2-0-1 (Mr. Foley abstained)

12. Bob Fatone – List Number: 504659, 1994 BMW 325i

Motion (12) Mr. Foley moved to adjust the actual value to \$550.00.

Seconded by Mr. Napiany.

Motion Passed 3-0.

13. Bob Fatone – List Number: 504660, 1991 Chevy Truck

Motion (13) Mr. Napiany moved to adjust the actual value to \$450.00.

Seconded by Ms. Graham.

Motion Passed 3-0.

14. Bob Fatone – List Number: 504664, 1996 Lincoln Continental

Motion (14) Ms. Graham moved to adjust the actual value to \$1525.00.

Seconded by Mr. Napiany.

Motion Passed 3-0.

15. David Godbout – List Number: 505753, Nissan Hybrid

Motion (15) Ms. Graham moved to take no action.

Seconded by Mr. Napiany.

Motion Passed 2-0-1 (Mr. Foley abstained)

16. Susan Bracht – List Number: 2004 Ford Explorer

Motion (16) Mr. Foley moved to adjust the actual value to \$3925.00

Seconded by Ms. Graham.

Motion Passed 3-0.

17. Kevin and Cecilia Bradley – List Number: 2006 Volvo XC70

Motion (17) Mr. Foley moved to adjust the actual value to \$3795.00.

Seconded by Mr. Napiany.

Motion Passed 3-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Karen Miller Galbo". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Karen Miller Galbo
Recording Secretary**