



Minutes of the March 13, 2024 Special Meeting of the Board of Assessment Appeals

Members Present: C. Mathieu, R. Higley, F. Gerratana, P. Buttero (from 5:35).

Staff Present: David Gardner, Assessor and Marcy Miller, Assistant Assessor

Appellants

Beginning at 5:32 PM, the board met in the Board of Education conference room.

The meeting began at 5:32 PM hearing from Mark DeBonee, CFO of CE Passionist HFRC LLC, on its solar array and exemption application, and the assessor's denial of the exemption as not complete. C. Mathieu made and R. Higley seconded a motion to reverse the assessor's decision and approve the solar exemption, and it passed 4-0.

The board heard from Jeffrey Donofrio, Esq., authorized agent of AT&T Mobility on the late filing penalty that the assessor had applied to its personal property assessment. Discussion of postmark requirements ensued. The board voted 4-0 in favor on a motion made and seconded (Mathieu/Gerratana) to waive the late filing penalty.

Current Boating Education, LLC, scheduled for 6:00 PM and Farmington Storage, LLC, scheduled for 6:15 PM did not appear.

The board next heard the appeal of 372 Scott Swamp Road, LLC, represented by Brian Mulready, a certified general appraiser, on its property at 372 Scott Swamp Road. Mr. Mulready opined that the property was worth \$1,300,000 and the assessor had revised the property record card for the 2024 grand list accordingly. The board unanimously approved a motion made and seconded (Mathieu/Gerratana) to accept the assessor's card as amended (\$1,300,000 market value.)

The board heard the appeal of The Launch at Farmington, LLC, represented by Charles Kaoud on its land at 8237 Farmington Avenue. Abraham Kaoud participated remotely. The board voted 4-0 to approve a motion made and seconded (Mathieu/Higley) to reduce the market value to \$1,975,000.

Mr. Higley did not participate in the final item of business, a proposed assessor's correction to exempt property of Miss Porter's School (113 Garden St) used as faculty housing. The board approved a motion made and seconded (Gerratana, Mathieu) 3-0 to exempt the property at 113 Garden Street.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded (Mathieu/Higley) and the board adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

David Gardner, Assessor (as clerk for the board)

March 15, 2024 2:55 PM (subject to approval)

Minutes Approved by BAA March 23, 2024

