

Town of Pawlet
Board of Civil Authority
June 23, 2015

Grievance Appeal
Glenn Thomas Callen & Laura Jean Callen
283 Sargent Hill Rd.
Parcel #0086-0283

Members Present: John Malcolm, Acting Chair; Gib Mach; Sarah Ludlam; Deb Hawkins, Clerk; Ed Cleveland; Sue LaPorte; Robert Jones
Listers: Charles Mason; Karen Folger; Elaine Decker
Others Present: Kim Ayers

Meeting called to order at 5:48 PM.

Oaths of Office administered by Deb Hawkins.

Adoption of Rules of Conduct of Meetings and Hearings Gib Mach motioned, seconded by Sarah Ludlam. Motion Carried.

Appeal to the Board of Civil Authority regarding Laura & Glenn Callen, requested by Joseph A. DeBonis, Esq. attorney for the Appellants.

Procedure outlined to those in attendance by John Malcolm.

Listers: Introduction of property

Based on a study of valid sales during 1/04 – 4/07. See L#1A – 1B which includes Grand List

Listened to message left on Lister's machine from Joe DeBonis who is representing the appellant explaining that appellants are on vacation and not able to attend the meeting tonight and that we should use his letter dated June 9, 2015 as evidence (A#1) to proceed with the meeting.

Consensus of the board to continue with the appeal meeting using Attorney DeBonis' letter.

Listers' response to information presented by the appellant L#2A -2M and L#3A-3F.

Property is currently assessed at \$851,860 which was adjusted as a result of grievance by \$44,830. Assessment prior to grievance was \$896,690.00

Discussion of possible environmental and health laws as mentioned in Mr. DeBonis' letter. None could be procured.

Listers presented Lister Influence Factor L#4

Discussion regarding possible comparables.

Committee to inspect property: Sue LaPorte, Ed Cleveland & Bob Jones.

Sue will contact Joe DeBonis regarding getting access to the property.

Reminders given by John Malcolm pertaining to conduct of Board with regard to the appeal following the hearing, including ex parte communication.

Hearing will re-convene on July 21 at 6:15 to hear report of inspection committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra A. Hawkins
Town Clerk and B.C.A. Clerk