

**Minutes of Board of Abatement Meeting  
Tuesday, March 17, 2015**

Board of Civil Authority Present:

Jared Cadwell, Chair, (Jared), Ed Read (Ed), Robert Vasseur (Robert), Tony Egan (Tony), Tom Bisbee (Tom), Patti Lewis (Patti), Gussie Graves (Gussie), and Peter Forbes (Peter) (Board)

Guests Present:

None

*Date of Minutes  
should be  
November 17, 2015  
(LK 10/16/17)*

10:00 a.m. – Jared called the meeting to order, noting there was a quorum.

**Parcel ID#06-100—John & Sara Bassler**

The Board read John & Sara Bassler's email dated 11/10/15.

As there was some anticipation that Kristen Maxfield might be attending, the Board agreed to pass by Agenda #2 to allow time for her to appear.

**Parcel ID#09-026—Linda Schrader**

The Board read three of Linda Schrader's emails dated 10/31/15, and the two from 11/2/15, as well as looked at the picture of the check and envelope she had sent in.

**Parcel ID#05-059—Jennifer Mygatt**

The Board read Jennifer Mygatt's email of 11/12/15.

**Parcel ID#01-061—Kristen Maxfield**

The Board read Kristen Maxfield's email dated 11/10/15.

10:20 a.m. Jared made a motion to go into deliberative session. Gussie seconded. No further discussion, all in favor, motion carried.

10:40 a.m. Ed made a motion to close deliberative session. Tony seconded, no further discussion, all in favor, motion carried.

**DECISIONS MADE:**

**Parcel ID#06-100—John & Sara Bassler**

**Jared made a motion to deny the request for abatement of penalty as the circumstances do not meet the criteria of abatement under 24VSA Section 1535(a). Robert seconded, no further discussion, all in favor, motion carried.**

**Parcel ID#01-061—Kristen Maxfield**

**Ed made a motion to deny the request for abatement of interest and penalty as the circumstances do not meet the criteria of abatement under 24VSA Section 1535(a). Gussie seconded. Discussion followed noting it was the responsibility of the taxpayer to check on their own bank accounts and that there was sufficient time to do so. All in favor, motion carried.**

**Parcel ID#09-026—Linda Schrader**

**Jared made a motion to grant the abatement of interest and penalty as there is sufficient evidence that the postal service could have made an error. Tom seconded.**

**Ed made a motion to amend the motion to grant abatement of half of the interest and penalty as Ms. Schrader should share some of the responsibility for the error. Peter seconded.**

**Jared asked for a vote in favor of the amended motion to grant abatement of half of the interest and penalty. No further discussion, all in favor, motion carried.**

**Parcel ID#05-059—Jennifer Mygatt**

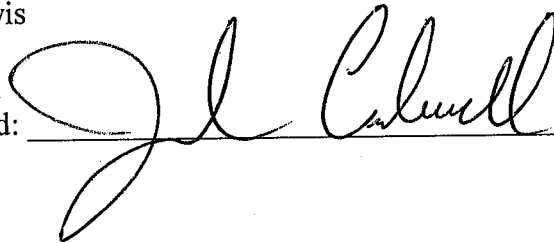
**Jared made a motion to deny the request for abatement of interest and penalty as this was not due to tardiness of payment but rather an insufficient funds return of the first check on 8/4/15 and that it is the responsibility of the taxpayer to check on their own bank accounts and that there was sufficient time to do so. Ed seconded, no further discussion, all in favor, motion carried.**

Patti Lewis recused herself from the votes to avoid any perceived conflict of interest as delinquent tax collector.

10:55 a.m. – Jared made the motion to adjourn. Ed seconded, no further discussion, all in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:  
Patti Lewis

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_



Date: 11.23.15