

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

TOWN OF WALLINGFORD

September 11, 2021

MINUTES

The Saturday September 11, 2021 regular meeting of the Wallingford Board of Assessment Appeals was held inside of the vestibule of the Town Hall Municipal Building facing Prince Street, located at 45 South Main Street, Wallingford, Connecticut.

In attendance were Thomas Vitali – Board Chairman, Robert Avery – Board Member, Kevin Coons – Chief Appraiser, and Shelley Hemenway – Recording Secretary. Board Member Carl Bonamico was not in attendance.

Chairman Vitali called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

Chairman Vitali stated that the minutes presented for the previous Board of Assessment Appeals meetings from March, 2021, will be voted on in March 2022 when all the Board Members are present.

The appeals were heard and decided on a first come, first served basis and continued until the Board moved for adjournment. Each appellant was sworn in before giving testimony. The Board heard each individual appeal. A decision was made by the Board and said decision will be sent in writing from the Assessors Office to each appellant within approximately one week.

The determination of appeals is based on the doings of the Wallingford Assessor on the Grand List dated October 1, 2020.

APPEAL MV 2020-01

Frank Ventriglio

Motor Vehicle

2007 Nissan XTERRA

Assessed Value \$ 4460

Appellant stated the vehicle has high mileage, transmission problems, rust, leaky roof, and has no trade in value.

Mr. Coons stated the appellant had been at the Board of Assessment Appeal meetings in previous years. Mr. Coons stated the Board had reduced the appellants assessed value last year to \$2450.

Appellant asked why they have to come back every year. Chairman Vitali stated the appellant will get the difference back, but appellant still has to return every year.

The Board reviewed the ruling from last year.

Mr. Avery made a motion to reduce the market value to \$ 3000. Seconded by Chairman Vitali and passed unanimously.

APPEAL MV 2020-02

Frank Ventriglio

Motor Vehicle

2009 Harley FLTC ULT

Assessed Value \$ 6800

Appellant stated the Harley has rust and body damage. It was in an accident and has high mileage.

Chairman Vitali asked for the price in the NADA book.

Mr. Coons stated the NADA book has \$9710 for a value.

Appellant stated that is what was paid for the Harley when it was purchased in 2012.

Mr. Coons looked up the mileage adjustments. A discussion was had about the mileage and type of engine.

Chairman Vitali stated the Board could make a reduction due to the mileage.

Mr. Avery made a motion to reduce the market value to \$ 6500. Seconded by Chairman Vitali and passed unanimously.

APPEAL MV 2020-03

Robert Piascyk JR

Motor Vehicle

2000 GMC Sonoma

Assessed Value \$ 2790

Appellant stated the vehicle was purchased in 2007 for \$ 2700. Appellant stated they were at the Board of Assessment Appeals last year and the assessed value was reduced to \$ 600.

The Board reviewed the application.

Mr. Avery made a motion to reduce the market value to \$ 850. Seconded by Chairman Vitali and passed unanimously.

APPEAL MV 2020-04

Michael D’Addio

Motor Vehicle

2002 Toyota 4Runner

Assessed Value \$ 4600

Chairman Vitali asked the appellant if he had been to the Board of Assessment Appeals before.

Appellant stated correct, he had been there last year.

The Board went over the previous years rulings.

Mr. Avery made a motion to reduce the market value to \$ 2000. Seconded by Chairman Vitali and passed unanimously.

APPEAL MV 2020-05

Walter Jawor

Motor Vehicle

2020 Jayco Embark Camper

Assessed Value \$ 210,000

Appellant was not able to appear before the Board and handed in an application previously to the Assessors Office.

Chairman Vitali read the application aloud, stating the appellant bought the camper for \$ 239,999 and the appellant believed they would only be taxed on 70 %.

The Board looked over the paperwork attached to the application.

Chairman Vitali stated the appellant or a representative of the appellant must be present before the Board.

Mr. Avery made a motion for NO CHANGE due to no show. Seconded by Chairman Vitali and passed unanimously.

The Board waited approximately twenty minutes until two applicants came to fill out an application.

APPEAL MV 2020-06

Dominic and Laura Ioime

Motor Vehicle

2020 Keystone Cougar 5th Wheel Camper

Assessed Value \$ 36,850

Appellant placed a market value of \$ 39,295 on the camper. Appellant stated this was based on the purchase price, not the retail price.

Chairman Vitali asked appellant for the tax bill.

Appellant stated they were being charged for \$ 52,000.

Chairman Vitali asked if the appellant had a bill of sale.

Appellant presented the bill of sale for \$ 39,295 for the camper.

Chairman Vitali asked Mr. Coons if NADA had campers in the books.

Mr. Coons stated the values are online through the NADA website.

Chairman Vitali stated the Board will consider based on the bill of sale.

Mr. Avery made a motion to reduce the market value to \$ 39,000. Seconded by Chairman Vitali and passed unanimously.

Chairman Vitali told the appellant that they have to come back every year to the Board of Assessment Appeals.

APPEAL MV 2020-07

Linda Eford

Motor Vehicle

2018 Volvo XC90 T6 Sport

Assessed Value \$ 26,650

Appellant placed a market value of \$ 28,000 on the vehicle. The vehicle has 76,962 miles.

Mr. Coons looked in the NADA book and stated the assessed value is \$ 26,650.

Appellant stated the car was purchased used in June or July of 2020.

Mr. Coons looked in the NADA book for mileage adjustments. Mr. Coons stated the mileage adjustment would be \$ 4000 off.

Chairman Vitali asked appellant what was paid for the vehicle. Appellant was not sure of the price.

Chairman Vitali stated the Board would go by the NADA book values.

A discussion was had between the Board and Mr. Coons about the NADA values.

Mr. Avery made a motion to reduce the market value to \$ 34,000. Seconded by Chairman Vitali and passed unanimously.

The Board waited 20 minutes for any new applicants.

There were no new applicants.

At 10:30AM, the Board moved on to item 5 of the Agenda.

There was no old business.

There was no new business.

At 10:30 AM, Mr. Avery made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Chairman Vitali and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted.

Shelley Hemenway

Recording Secretary

Board Of Assessment Appeals