



Board of Assessors
John R. Fisher, Chair
Richard J. Zaccaro, Member
Denise Ellis, Clerk

TOWN OF WALPOLE
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Phone (508) 660-7315 Fax (508) 906-3598
E-mail: Assessors@walpole-ma.gov

Town Hall
135 School Street
Walpole, MA 02081

Minutes of Meeting September 01, 2022

The Board of Assessors on Thursday, September 01, 2022, at 5:00 pm, via zoom. The following Board members were present: John Fisher, Chair, Richard Zaccaro, Clerk, Denise Ellis, Member, also participating Dennis Flis, Director of Assessing.

Executive Order on Remote Participation Thursday March 12, 2020 Governor Baker issue and “Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting G.L. c 30A Section 20. That order, which was effective immediately and until it is rescinded or the State of Emergency is terminated. Chair to announce that all members will be participating remotely during the meeting due to unprecedented time in history of the Commonwealth. The Governor has authorized remote Participation for all public boards due to the Emergency declaration order that was issued on March 12, 2020. Every vote taken will be taken by roll call vote.

The Board review the resume of Jennifer Florio, a finalist candidate for the Deputy Assessors position in the Assessor’s Office.

The Board after a review and a discussion concerning the Allowance for Abatement and Exemption Account, voted 2-1 to transfer \$250,000 to Overlay Surplus. Mr. Zaccaro voted in the minority.

The Board continue its review and discussion from the preceding months, on the Mutual Benefit Society application regarding whether the Italian American Club (“the Club”) qualifies for tax exemption status pursuant to G.L. c. 56, 5, clause 3rd. At this time the Board will seek a legal opinion from Town Council on this subject.

The Massachusetts Assessors Association will be having its fall educational conference October 11th and 12th in Southbridge, MA.