Town of Sharon Board of Assessment Appeals Minutes Friday, March 15, 2024

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Chairman Tom Casey called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with the following members in attendance: Deborah Hanlon, Elizabeth Forstmann, Alt Mike Taylor and recording secretary pro tem Jamie Casey. Chairman Casey requested to change the agenda, and via motions of Hanlon/Forstmann the agenda was amended to: 3b. 92 Lambert Road – cancelled. 82 Millerton Road was scheduled in that place (due to clerical error); 3d. 84 Sharon Valley Road has been withdrawn. All were in favor. The minutes of the 3/9/24 meeting stood approved as written. There was a brief review of the scheduled appeals.

Appeals:

65 South Main Street: Attorney Peter Ebersol was in attendance to answer any questions. As he is an Officer of the Court, he did not need to be sworn in. An appraisal, submitted by Resources Valuation Group, dated 10/1/23 was part of the record. Attorney Ebersol noted that the revised request of appraisal value be changed to \$4,000,000 based on that appraisal. He noted that the percentage increase appeared to be more than normal for Sharon. No site visit was scheduled. Attorney Ebersol was thanked for coming and he will hear from this Board by the end of the month.

82 Millerton Road: Owner Steven Berger was in attendance and was sworn in. An appraisal was part of the application, prepared by Resources Valuation Group. His requested value is \$3,775,000. He noted that the percentage increase appeared to more than normal for Sharon. Board members felt a site visit was in order and it was scheduled for Saturday, March 16, 2024, at 9:15 AM. Mr. Berger agreed to this and was thanked for his attendance.

229 Amenia Union Road: Owner Allison Chase was in attendance and sworn in. She had submitted an independent appraisal prepared for NBT Bank for a Home Equity Line of Credit prepared December 2023. She also had written and explained that this home was constructed in 1950 and renovated in 2022/2023. The field card notes it as new construction. The barn is new. Chairman Casey noted that he will meet with the Assessors regarding the information on the field card. Ms. Chase was thanked for coming and will hear from this Board by the end of March.

24 Hooperfields Drive: Agent Maura Johnson was in attendance for the owner, and she was sworn in. She described the land to be very poor, many invasives and poor soils. She had no appraisal or supporting documents. She was thanked for coming.

The hearings ended at 7:25 PM.

65 South Main Street: Following discussion, motions of Hanlon/Forstmann denied the application with all in favor.

82 Millerton Road: Site visit scheduled for Saturday, March 16, 2024-- 9:15 AM.

229 Amenia Union Road: Chairman Casey will speak to the Assessor regarding information on the field card.

24 Hooperfields: Motions of Forstmann/Hanlon denied the application with no supporting documentation.

The Board adjourned via motions of Forstmann/Hanlon at 7:44 PM with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jamie Casey Recording Secretary Pro tem