

Board of Assessment Appeals – Wallingford, Connecticut

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS TOWN OF WALLINGFORD SPECIAL MEETING

MARCH 26, 2009

MINUTES

The Thursday, March 26, 2009, Special Meeting of the Wallingford Board of Assessment Appeals was held in Room 109 at the Town Hall Municipal Building, 45 South Main Street, Wallingford, CT.

In attendance were members: William J. Pello, Chairman and Holly Lafond, Member. Also in attendance were Wallingford Assessor Shelby P. Jackson, III and Chief Appraiser Dennis Hlavac. Gerald Labriola, Member was unable to attend, and Chairman Pello noted that the two made a quorum. Chairman William J. Pello called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

An appointment was scheduled for the appellants. Each appellant was sworn in before offering testimony. The case was decided at the conclusion of the hearing.

The determination of the appeal from the doings of the Wallingford Assessor on the Grand List dated October 1, 2008, was as follows:

APPEAL # RE-2008-53

Arnold & Geraldine Tuck of 8 Ridgeland Road, made an appeal to reduce the assessment of their real estate. Holly Lafond brought up the fact of this being a special meeting because Mr. & Mrs. Tuck's appeal application, which was documented by Mrs. Tuck as being faxed on February 10, 2009, had become missing. Therefore, no regular hearing notice had been issued. Mr. Jackson concurred.

Mr. Jackson stated that earlier in the year the Assessor's Office had, at the request of the Tucks, inspected and reduced the assessment of the property based on the fact that there was no finished basement in the dwelling as had been improperly coded on the property record card. The Assessor's Office also adjusted the assessment for the three previous Grand List years as specifically allowed by state statute.

The Tucks were requesting that the assessment be adjusted back to the time that the error first occurred. Mrs. Tuck

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stated that she had previously made a phone call reporting the error, but never followed up on it.

Chairman Pello stated that the Board of Appeals only has jurisdiction over the 2008 Grand List for real estate. Ms. Lafond asked the Tucks if they had any other testimony regarding their property value. Mrs. Tuck stated that she was satisfied with the current assessment.

Ms. Lafond made a motion for no change, which was seconded by Chairman Pello.

Vote was unanimous.

Motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Lafond and seconded by Chairman Pello and passed unanimously.

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