

Corinth Board of Abatement Meeting Minutes of August 19, 2014 (UNAPPROVED)

Members Present: Nancy Ertle, Linda Weiss, Amy Peberdy, Bonnie Blodgett, Steve Long, Susan Fortunati, Karen Galayda, Chris Groschner, Allen Locke, Russ Pazdro

Guests: Jeff and Judy Slack

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm

Linda nominated Steve for chair Susan seconded. There was talk. Susan withdrew her second and Amy nominated Linda Susan seconded. The ayes have it.

Chris moved to accept the Oct. 8, 2013 meeting minutes, Karen seconded. Susan asked to have the % sign put after the numbers. Chris moved to accept minutes with change, Susan seconded the ayes have it.

Judy and Jeff spoke about the abatement. They didn't know they would be taxed on the house which burnt April 26th, so they asked for abatement of taxes on it.

Susan said she thought we should abate between the dates of July 1st and June 30th. Linda asked if she calculated what the tax would be for that time. Susan did one both on the full tax rate and one without the school rate. Residential rate at 65 days at \$8.7664 per day for a total of \$569.82. Then based only on town tax rate with no school tax and only on the house at \$2.8168 per day for 65 days for a total of \$183.09.

Amy asked what we had done in the past and Allen said we abated the whole amount. Steve said we have already set a precedence for it. Russ asked why we as the town would have to pay the school taxes if we abated them for the Slacks. Susan read what taxes maybe abated and that school taxes still have to be paid.

Russ moved to abate \$569.82 for taxes paid for April 26th to June 30th for the 2103-2014 tax year. Steve seconded. The ayes have it.

From July 1st forward: Judy thinks they will have the house back early October. There was talk about the new house and the value of it. Susan read a case study #3 from the tax appeal book to the board to take into consideration. Karen said they value on the building as of April 1st. Taxes based on the old house.

Susan said the value of the new house vs. the value of the old house and could abate the difference beginning in July. Linda asked if the Lister's could change the house value mid- stream. Karen said no. The Slacks were asked if they would come back next year and request an abatement again for the rest of the taxes, from the new tax year. They said yes.

Judy asked if the \$569.82 could be deducted from their current bill, Susan said yes. There was the question if this should be a postponement of the meeting or if the Slacks should ask for another abatement. Linda asked the Slacks if they would write another request to the Board of Abatement after they moved back into their house in Oct. for the rest of the taxes. The Slacks said they would write another letter at that time.

Chris moved to adjourn, Russ seconded the ayes have it. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm