

**Minutes
Bethel Board of Assessors
Drafted 3.31.10**

March 3, 2010 8:00 AM

Town Office

Members Present: Stan Howe, Robert Everett, David Luxton, Donald Bennett
Members Absent: Bob Blake
Staff Present: Sarah S. Tucker, Assessing Assistant, Jake Van Tuinen,
Assessors Agent
Others Present: None

There is a full recording of the meeting in Windows Media Audio file format

1. Call to Order

At 8:00 am Chairman Howe called the meeting to order and declared a quorum.

2. Approval of Minutes: February 3, 2010

Don Bennett made the motion to approve the minutes, Robert Everett seconded the motion; it was unanimously approved.

3. Requested Abatements & Supplementals:

1. Keith, Robert D., Jr.

Jake Van Tuinen explained that a camp trailer had been demolished and that the account should have been deleted; he recommended abatement.

Robert Everett made the motion to approve the abatement; Don Bennett seconded the motion; it was unanimously approved.

Don Bennett made the motion to refer the matter to the Board of Selectmen for the abatement of prior years, David Luxton seconded the motion; it was unanimously approved.

2. Williamson, Julia

Jake Van Tuinen explained that the parcel had been sold and was taxed to Williamson in error; he recommended abatement.

Don Bennett made the motion to approve the abatement, Robert Everett seconded the motion; it was unanimously approved.

Robert Everett later made the motion to refer the matter to the Board of Selectmen for the abatement of prior years, Don Bennett seconded the motion; it was unanimously approved.

3. Walker, Stanley

Jake Van Tuinen explained that Stan Walker had a recent appraisal for a refinancing with a lower value than his assessment; he recommended that the abatement be denied.

Don Bennett made the motion to deny the abatement; David Luxton seconded the motion; there was considerable discussion. After discussion the motion was unanimously approved.

4. Approval of Veterans Exemptions

1. Everett, Robert A.

Dob Bennett made the motion to approve the exemption, David Luxton seconded the motion; it was unanimously approved. Robert Everett abstained from voting on the application.

2. Kuzyk, Peter

Robert Everett made the motion to approve the exemption, Don Bennett seconded the motion; it was unanimously approved.

5. Other Business

The Board briefly revisited the Williamson abatement.

6. Adjourn

Robert Everett made the motion to adjourn; it was unanimously approved.