# **Hearing Minutes**

### Town of Plymouth, Vermont

## **Board of Abatement Meeting**

The Board of Abatement of the Town of Plymouth, Vermont, notified and warned, met in the Meeting Room at the Municipal Building at 68 Town Office Road, in said Town on Monday, November 13, 2023, at 5:30 pm.

BOA Members Present:

Justice of the Peace:	Karen Evans Chase Morsey
Select Board:	Rick Kaminski
Listers:	Michael Coleman Michelle Pingree
<u>Clerk</u> :	Angela Kissell
Treasurer:	Norma Pauley
Appellants and/or Guests: N/A	

Abatement Hearing(s):

Pursuant to Title 24 V.S.A. § 1535, the following hearings took place to consider the abatement of real estate and personal property taxes assessed.

- 1. <u>Call Meeting to Order:</u>
  - a. Karen Evans called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm.
- 2. <u>Consideration of Any Changes, Additions, or Removals to Agenda:</u>
  - a. None
- 3. <u>Election of Officers:</u>
  - a. Michael Coleman made a motion to appoint Karen Evans as Chair of the Board of Abatement. Chase Morsey seconded the motion. The motion carried.
  - b. The Co-Chair position remains vacant.
- 4. <u>Take Oath:</u>
  - a. N/A
- 5. <u>Approve Meeting Minutes</u>:
  - a. Michael Coleman made a motion to approve the September 25, 2023 meeting minutes. Karen Evans seconded the motion. The motion carried.

#### 6. <u>Executive Session</u>:

- a. Went in to Executive Session at 5:38 pm.
- b. Came out of Executive Session at 5:46 pm.
- 7. <u>Tax Abatement Hearing:</u>

### Parcel ID: 000796 - Smith, Matthew & Kaitlin - 109 Upper Round Top Road - Residential

Karen Evans opened by stating the name of the Appellant(s), property address, and parcel ID number. Karen read that the Appellant's request for the abatement was due to a house fire that destroyed their home that was currently under renovation. There was a discussion around the value of land and then the value of the home that includes the improvements. It was asked if this is a State of a Town requirement. This is done by the Listers at the local level. The fire took place on Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023. There was no question that the home was completely lost. There was a conversation on the local tax amount. <u>Hearing was closed at 5:50 pm and deliberation began.</u>

- 8. <u>Adjournment</u>:
  - a. Michael Coleman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:03 PM. Chase Morsey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Kissell Town Clerk Board of Abatement

#### **Board of Abatement**

Karen Evans	Shawn Bemis
Rick Kaminski	Jay Kullman
Norma Pauley	Angela Kissell
Michael Coleman	Chase Morsey
Michelle Pingree	Keith Cappellini

Richard Olmstead