

BOARD OF CIVIL AUTHORITY

MINUTES

JULY 15, 2019

The meeting was called to order as a continuance of the June 19, 2019 meeting at 6:00 PM by Rose Keough.

Members present: James Ayrey, Sally Ayrey, Rose Keough, Connor Stewart, Rose Stone, Sally Stone and Richard Timmerman.

Listers present: Peter VanVleck.

Appellants present: Peter and Elizabeth Luca.

Rose Keough explained that there was a problem with ex parte communications between the Listers and the site visit committee. Peter Van Vleck stated that he was at the site visit to answer any questions the committee had. Elizabeth Luca issued a letter about the Listers attending the site visit and stated that it was not a public meeting so the Listers should not have been there. Rose Keough handed each board member a copy of the letter received from Elizabeth Luca.

Peter Van Vleck apologized to Elizabeth Luca and assured her no harm was intended.

A conversation then continued about how the members and listers need to know the rules and regulations.

Rose Keough explained that the board needed to make a decision on the following:

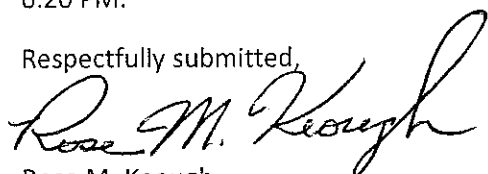
- (1) Continue with the grievance hearing.
- (2) Whether to include the ex parte communication as evidence.
- (3) Dismiss the hearing which would then grant the request of the appellants.

Sally Ayrey made a motion to dismiss the grievance due to tainted information. Rose Stone seconded the motion. The motion carried with five in favor, one opposed and one not voting.

Rose Keough stated that the Luca combined properties would be on one bill and assessed at \$612,000.00 as the Luca's grievance requested. Peter VanVleck acknowledged the amount and stated it would be corrected on the grand list. The grand list would then be completed and sent to the Town Clerk

Richard Timmerman moved to adjourn; Sally Stone seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Rose M. Keough
Sunderland Town Clerk