

**Town of Fair Haven  
Board of Abatement  
Hearing Minutes**

August 5, 2024

**Members Present:** Glen Traverse, Danielle Roberts, John (Jack) Adams, Sharon Adams, John Lulek, Lorrain Brown, Judy Gevry, John (Tracy) Adams, Michael Doran Jr., Richard Greenough

**Others Present:** Wayne Rochon

Meeting called to order by Glen Traverse at 7:55

**Election of officers:** Dani Roberts nominated Glen Traverse as Chair, second by Sharon Adams, passed unanimously.

John Lulek nominated Mike Doran Jr. as Vice Chair seconded by Jack Adams, passed unanimously.

**BOA oath** – self administered

**Lister's oath** – self administered

Witness oath: Given to Wayne Rochon

Wayne Rochon Property located at 6 Muscovy Dr., Parcel ID 23.01.72 request for overpay of taxes due to Lister error in entering Homestead.

Lister Jack Adams handed out the *Board of Abatement Deliberation*. This gives the reasons for an abatement by Statute.

Mr. Rochon explained that he purchased the house in July of 2020. He filed his Homestead Declaration each year after that which is not disputed. This year he received a change in his Homestead Valuation from the Lister's Office. This is when he realized that he had not previously received the Homestead rate.

**Appellant Exhibit 1 Request for Abatement**

Sharon Adams spoke for the Listers. She believes a "box" wasn't checked correctly at the time Mr. Rochon purchased the property. This year while checking Homestead reports the "valuation box" was changed to "yes". The overpayment is in the amount of \$966.29. Tracy Adams asked about interest, Mr. Rochon said that he would be happy to receive the principal only.

There was discussion about how to refund the overpayment. Mr. Rochon indicated that he would prefer a check. This is possible.

Tracy Adams made a motion to refund \$966.29 in total for the tax years 21-22, 22-23 & 23-24, second by Sharon Adams, and passed unanimously.

**Other business: None**

Meeting adjourned 8:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Danielle L Roberts

Clerk