

## **Minutes for BOA**

**January 24th, 2022**

**Present:** Megan LaChance, Town Clerk; Sharon Winnicki, Lister (Chair); John Berryhill, Justice of the Peace (Chair of BOA); Patricia Norton, Justice of the Peace; Steven Nicholson, Selectman; Susan Kennedy, Lister; Betsy Jesser, Justice of the Peace; Linda McGuire, Treasurer; Lee Wilson, Justice of the Peace; Aaron Korzun, Selectman (Chair); Francis Wyatt, Selectman; Edmund Hemmer, Delinquent Tax Collector; Barry Griffith, Justice of the Peace; Daniel Ewald, Attorney for the van Valkenburghs; Dirk van Valkenburgh, Requestor and Property Owner

**Requestors:** Dirk and Paula van Valkenburgh

**Call to Order:** 6:05 PM

### **Proceedings:**

Atty. Ewald explained that the closing on the property in question took place on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 which is the date the PTTR and cover letter were signed. Atty. Ewald stated that the recording documents and the tax payment were all included in the same packet, and that he mailed this on October 1<sup>st</sup> through USPS First Class. There was no tracking on the packet. At some point Atty. Ewald and the van Valkenburghs were made aware that the taxes had arrived late and an 8% fee amounting to \$539.16 was assessed.

Ed Hemmer and Megan LaChance verified that the documents arrived after October 8<sup>th</sup>, the property tax due date. They were marked as received by the Town Clerk on October 18<sup>th</sup>. The original envelope containing the postmark in which the documents arrived could not be located prior to this hearing.

There were questions and some discussion about the reasonableness of the time and manner in which the documents were sent.

Parcel ID for the property is 006-0-3773.

**Hearing Adjourned at 6:33 PM by John Berryhill.**

**Meeting reopened and Deliberative Session Entered at 6:35 PM.**

**Deliberative Session ended and Meeting Adjourned at 6:46 PM**