

**Waterford Board of Abatement
Town Clerk's Office
Monday, September 9, 2019
7:00PM**

Attendees:

Board of Abatement: Bill Piper, Gary Allard, Fred Saar, Kevin Gillander, Dave Morrison, Bernard Willey, Charlie Lawrence, Marcia Martel, Leslie Blodgett, Howard Remick, Michael Keach, Jessy Pelow

Others: Steve Eddy

Opening: Fred opened the Board of Abatement meeting at 7:00PM.

Bill made the motion to nominate Fred Saar as the Chair of the Board of Abatement. Gary seconded the motion. All approved.

Diane Price, acting as agent for Rick Powers, presented a letter to the Board requesting abatement of Mr. Powers 2019 property taxes that are due on October 15, 2019; the letter was countersigned by Rick Powers.

The Board reviewed the criteria of 24 V.S.A. § 1535 and discussed the requested abatement. The Board of Abatement feel that Rick Powers has land equity that could be sold to cover the cost of his taxes due.

Gary noted that The Board of Abatement, to maintain equity among all the residents, does not abate taxes unless there is reason to believe that the problems that have led to the request for abatement are temporary

Marcia made the motion to deny the abatement request from Rick Powers. Howard seconded the motion. The motion passed 11 Yes and 1 No.

Adjourn: Charlie made the motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:28pm.