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Members present

Tom Ayres, Norm Blais, Vince Brennan (phone), Sharon Bushor, Selene Colburn, Dave Hartnett, Jane Knodell, Bianka Legrand, Chip Mason, Karen Paul, Rachel Siegel, Max Tracy, Kurt Wright, Joan Shannon, Miro Weinberger, John Vickery

Meeting called to order at 8:10 PM

1. Agenda

Action, Procedural: 1.01 Motion to amend/adopt agenda

Adopt the Agenda with an Amendment to move item 2.04 to the Deliberative Agenda as item 3.06

Motion by Sharon Bushor, second by Joan Shannon.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Aye: Tom Ayres, Norm Blais, Sharon Bushor, Selene Colburn, Dave Hartnett, Jane Knodell, Bianka Legrand, Chip Mason, Karen Paul, Rachel Siegel, Max Tracy, Kurt Wright, Joan Shannon, Miro Weinberger, John Vickery

Not Present at Vote: Vince Brennan

2. Consent Agenda

Action (Consent), Procedural: 2.01 Motion to amend/adopt consent agenda taking the following actions as indicated

Adopt the Consent Agenda and Take the Actions Indicated

Motion by Tom Ayres, second by Dave Hartnett.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Aye: Tom Ayres, Norm Blais, Sharon Bushor, Selene Colburn, Dave Hartnett, Jane Knodell, Bianka Legrand, Chip Mason, Karen Paul, Rachel Siegel, Max Tracy, Kurt Wright, Joan Shannon, Miro Weinberger, John Vickery

Not Present at Vote: Vince Brennan



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Action (Consent), Communication, Information: 2.02 Communication: C/T Office, re: Notice City of Burlington Full Board of Abatement of Taxes

waive the reading, accept the communication and place it on file

Motion by Tom Ayres, second by Dave Hartnett.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Aye: Tom Ayres, Norm Blais, Sharon Bushor, Selene Colburn, Dave Hartnett, Jane Knodell, Bianka Legrand, Chip Mason, Karen Paul, Rachel Siegel, Max Tracy, Kurt Wright, Joan Shannon, Miro Weinberger, John Vickery

Not Present at Vote: Vince Brennan

Action (Consent): 2.03 Request to Abatement Taxes: Duff & Phelps, 199 Main Street, PPP256811

Resolution: grant the abatement of taxes

Motion by Tom Ayres, second by Dave Hartnett.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Aye: Tom Ayres, Norm Blais, Sharon Bushor, Selene Colburn, Dave Hartnett, Jane Knodell, Bianka Legrand, Chip Mason, Karen Paul, Rachel Siegel, Max Tracy, Kurt Wright, Joan Shannon, Miro Weinberger, John Vickery

Not Present at Vote: Vince Brennan

Action (Consent): 2.04 Moved to Deliberative Agenda as item 3.06 Request for Abatement of Taxes: Rene & Arlette Ball, 193-195 Elmwood Avenue, 044-3-017-000 and 90-94 Loomis Street, 045-1-248-000

This item was moved to the deliberative agenda.

3. Deliberative Agenda

Action: 3.01 Eagle Oakcrest LP, 173 Plattsburgh Avenue, 024-1-053-000

Councilor Brennan joined the meeting.



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Deny the Abatement

Motion by Chip Mason, second by Dave Hartnett.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes (roll call vote)

Aye: Tom Ayres, Norm Blais, Vince Brennan, Sharon Bushor, Selene Colburn, Dave Hartnett, Jane Knodell, Bianka Legrand, Chip Mason, Karen Paul, Max Tracy, Kurt Wright, Joan Shannon, Miro Weinberger, John Vickery

Nay: Rachel Siegel

Action: 3.02 985 Associates LTD, 985 North Avenue, 033-1-127-000

Deny the Abatement

Motion by Chip Mason, second by Dave Hartnett.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes (roll call vote)

Aye: Tom Ayres, Norm Blais, Vince Brennan, Sharon Bushor, Selene Colburn, Dave Hartnett, Jane Knodell, Bianka Legrand, Chip Mason, Karen Paul, Rachel Siegel, Max Tracy, Kurt Wright, Joan Shannon, Miro Weinberger, John Vickery

Action: 3.03 Patricia Preseault, 174 Killarney Drive, 033-1-020-000

Deny the Abatement

Motion by Chip Mason, second by Dave Hartnett.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes (roll call vote)

Aye: Tom Ayres, Norm Blais, Vince Brennan, Sharon Bushor, Selene Colburn, Dave Hartnett, Jane Knodell, Bianka Legrand, Chip Mason, Karen Paul, Rachel Siegel, Max Tracy, Kurt Wright, Joan Shannon, Miro Weinberger, John Vickery

Action: 3.04 Patricia Preseault, 0 Killarney Drive, 032-4-001-000

Deny the Abatement

Motion by Chip Mason, second by Dave Hartnett.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes (roll call vote)



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Aye: Tom Ayres, Norm Blais, Vince Brennan, Sharon Bushor, Selene Colburn, Dave Hartnett, Jane Knodell, Bianka Legrand, Chip Mason, Karen Paul, Rachel Siegel, Max Tracy, Kurt Wright, Joan Shannon, Miro Weinberger, John Vickery

Action: 3.05 Eagle North Street LP, 188 North Street, 044-3-003-000

Deny the Abatement

Motion by Chip Mason, second by Dave Hartnett.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes (roll call vote)

Aye: Tom Ayres, Norm Blais, Vince Brennan, Sharon Bushor, Selene Colburn, Dave Hartnett, Jane Knodell, Bianka Legrand, Chip Mason, Karen Paul, Rachel Siegel, Max Tracy, Kurt Wright, Joan Shannon, Miro Weinberger, John Vickery

Action: 3.06 Request for Abatement of Taxes: Rene & Arlette Ball, 193-195 Elmwood Avenue, 044-3-017-000 and 90-94 Loomis Street, 045-1-248-000

Councilor Bushor stated the reason the payment was late was because the individuals came to make payment on the day that taxes are due. They came after business hours and were recalling that the Clerk/Treasurer's Office no longer remains open until 7pm on tax day. She inquired if there was a notice on the door telling the taxpayers of their options. She does not believe this change was well publicized to the community. Many people have been caught in this scenario. She inquired if there was a drop box available. John Vickery, City Assessor, stated he does not know the answer to the question. Councilor Bushor stated she understood that this was a move to save some money by not keeping the office open. She was not opposed to that so long as it was well publicized and there was an option for those people who came in later in the day expecting the office to be open.

Councilor Siegel requested an explanation of the Committee's recommendation. Councilor Mason stated the Clerk/Treasurer's Office closes at 4:30, and not at 4:00 as the request stated. There has been testimony that this change has been advertised and has been in effect for a few years. They have drawn a firm line that late means late.

Deny the Abatement

Motion by Chip Mason, second by Dave Hartnett.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes (roll call vote)

Aye: Tom Ayres, Norm Blais, Vince Brennan, Selene Colburn, Dave Hartnett, Jane Knodell, Bianka Legrand, Chip Mason, Karen Paul, Rachel Siegel, Max Tracy, Kurt Wright, Joan Shannon, Miro Weinberger, John Vickery

Nay: Sharon Bushor



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4. Adjournment

Action, Procedural: 4.01 Motion to adjourn

Without objection, Mayor Weinberger adjourned the meeting at 8:26pm.