

**TOWN OF SOMERS
BOARD OF ASSESSORS
REGULAR MEETING**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2008

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Robert Loubier, Co-Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the downstairs conference room of Town Hall, 600 Main Street, Somers, CT. Also present were David Olsen, Co-Chairman, Joanna Wheeler, Member, and Patricia Juda, Assessor. Present in the audience were William Glover representing PBS Systems LLC, Richard Romano, from Vision Appraisal, Richard Nagle from Appraisal Resource, and William Gaffney from Municipal Valuation Services, LLC.

2. OPEN AND READ ALL PROPOSALS FOR THE REAPPRAISAL UPDATE SERVICES OF REAL PROPERTY FOR OCTOBER 1, 2009.

The following proposals were received for the 2009 Revaluation:

Tyler Technologies, Inc.	\$154,800
Option for web hosting set-up	2,400
Option for web hosting per year	1,500
Appraisal Resource	\$ 89,500
P.B.S. Systems LLC	\$127,500
Option Web Browser display	3,500
Municipal Valuation Services, LLC	\$115,000
Vision Appraisal Technology, Inc.	\$120,000

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 10, 2008.

Joanna made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2008 meeting. This motion was seconded by Dave Olsen and unanimously approved.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence.

5. ASSESSOR'S REPORT

- August sales ratio forms were mailed to the State of Connecticut on September 2, 2008. September sales ratio forms were mailed on October 1, 2008.
- The median sales ratio for August was .58, and September was .62.
- M-35C – Renters Tax Relief Claims were filed on July 31, 2008, August 29, 2008, & September 30, 2008.
- On September 2, 2008 all new owners of land that had previously been classified as farm, forest or open space were notified that they had the opportunity to classify their land as such by the end of October.
- On September 15, 2008, we contracted Anthony Lennon to conduct 88 property inspections.
- On September 26, 2008 Personal Property Declarations were mailed.
- October 2, 2008, a legal notice for personal property reporting was sent to the Journal Inquirer.

Joanna made a motion to accept the Assessor's report as one of progress. This motion was seconded by Dave and unanimously approved.

6. 2009 REVALUATION

Assessor and Board members agreed to review the 2009 Revaluation proposals in an effort to make a recommendation to the Board of Selectmen at their meeting on October 20, 2008.

7. BILLS TO BE PAID

The following bills were approved for payment:

McNair Business Machines, Inc.	
For a Rebuilt Minolta Copier	\$595.00
Transferred from Printing & Supplies to Map Updates	\$300.00
Adkins Printers	
For Personal Property Declaration Forms	\$167.16
NADA Appraisal Guide	\$ 15.00

CAAO Education Committee

Fall Symposium for Assessor

\$ 50.00

Dave made a motion to accept payments as specified. This motion was seconded by Joanna and unanimously approved.

8. OLD BUSINESS – No discussion.

9. NEW BUSINESS

Pat presented the following meeting schedule for 2009:

January 8, 2009

February 5, 2009

March 5, 2009

April 2, 2009

May 7, 2009

June 11, 2009

July 2, 2009

August 13, 2009

September 3, 2009

October 1, 2009

November 5, 2009

December 3, 2009

Joanna made a motion to accept the meeting schedule as presented. This motion was seconded by Dave and unanimously approved.

10. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – Representatives from the four firms listed above were available for clarification on bid specifications.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Dave made a motion to adjourn at 7:34 p.m. This motion was seconded by Joanna and unanimously approved.

Patricia J. Juda
Secretary

Robert Loubier
Co-Chairman

Minutes are not official until approved at a subsequent meeting.