

**Groton Board of Assessors
Town Hall
173 Main St.
Groton, MA 01450**

*Garrett Boles, Member
Jenifer Evans, Chair
Rena Swezey, Clerk*

*March 11, 2013
6:30 P.M.
Minutes*

The chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

The first order of business was to sign the commitments in the following amounts:

<i>MVE Commitment # 7 of 2012.....</i>	<i>\$8,748.83</i>
<i>MVE Commitment #1 of 2013.....</i>	<i>\$1,093,313.7</i>

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<i>CPA Abatements to be exempt for Low and Moderate Income.....</i>	<i>\$597.69</i>
<i>Tax Deferrals for Clause 41A.....</i>	<i>\$26,451.08</i>
<i>Exemption Logs for all clauses.....</i>	<i>\$4,150.00</i>
<i>CPA Abatement Log for to be exempt for Low and Moderate Income & All Claus.....</i>	<i>\$1,656.63</i>
<i>Real Estate Abatement Log.....</i>	<i>\$2,228.68</i>

The town had received a motion to compel for an ATB case for Verizon New England abatement on the Personal Property taxes for Fiscal Year 2009. Verizon made a settlement with all the cities and towns in the commonwealth that if abatement is granted for FY 2009 the cases for all the previous years would not be litigated.

In order to cover the abatement monies for Personal Property from 2003 to current have been held in the overlay account pending the outcome of the ATB. Ms. Evans made a motion to release, seconded by Mr. Boles, all in favor, from Overlay Surplus the following amounts to be used for payment to Verizon New England.

FY2003.....\$49.80

FY2005.....\$6,996.92

FY2006.....\$27,536.16

FY2009.....\$63,526.93

FY2010.....\$20,000 (Partial Release of FY2010 Overlay)

For a total to be released \$118,109.81

<i>The abatement for FY 2009 Verizon ATB Settlement will be</i>	<i>\$77,257.18</i>
<i>Work in Process</i>	<i>\$187.33</i>
<i>Interest</i>	<i>\$23,747.58</i>

The board reviewed all abatement applications and voted on the following:

54 Off Prescott St.....Denied

344 West Main St.....Denied previously abated for wetlands issue for a pond.

48 Redskin Trail.....Denied the issues dealing with the lake weeds and home businesses are not under the board's jurisdiction.

46 Redskin Trail.....Denied the issues are the same as stated above.

45 Arbor Way.....Denied

82 Whiley Rd.....Denied

12 CanterburyLn.....Approved

53 Pleasant St.....Denied previous abated to adjust for ongoing construction still not completed

174 Shelters Rd.....Approved for one year for 5% adjustment on access

176 Shelters Rd.....Approved to adjust the percentage of completion (Mr. Boles did not vote on this application as an abutter.)

31 Fitch Bridge Rd.....Approved to correct acreage

365 Lost Lake Dr.....Approved for one year

8 Pine Trail.....Approved for one year

Crystal Springs Subdivision.....Approved for lots not yet built on for well and septic

Ms., Evans made a vote to act on the applicants as stated, seconded by Ms. Swezey, all in favor.

The date for the next meeting is March 25, 2013.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted:

Rena Swezey

