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**Board of Assessors** Garrett Boles Jenifer Evans Donald R. Black

**Principal Assessor** 

Rena E. Swezey

Oct. 11, 2016 **Minutes** 7:00 P.M. **Assessor's Office** 

Present: Garrett Boles, chair Don Black, member Jenifer Evans, absent

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

Since member Evans was not present Mr. Boles suggested that I send to the board a copy of the Res-Com report to all members. This report has all the fields contained on the property record card For valuation purposes for the board to review.

The board will take up the next step in the revaluation process at another meeting.

Ms. Swezey mentioned to the board a problem on a parcel of land at the lake. The owner of the property passed away leaving the home to his wife. It was discovered that the house is on a parcel of land owned by the town abutting the land of the present owner of 50 Valley Rd. He purchased the property in 1979 with a structure. As no title search required by a cash sale the problem was not discovered. Swezev explained that prior to his death the owner wanted to buy the parcel of land from the town. The owner passed away before any arrangement could be made. Swezey was approached by Atty. Collins to see if the town would turn the parcel over to Mrs. Linda Gray as they had been paying taxes on the buildings as well as the 4 parcels they owned on Whitney Pond. The board advised Swezey to take up the matter with K & P. It would be an article on the Spring **Town Meeting.** 

A second article Swezey asked the board to consider for the Fall Town Meeting was to reduce the residency requirement for service connected veterans from 5 years to 1 year. Swezey has the language another town that has adopted this article. The board agreed to place both articles before town meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

No date was set for another meeting.

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Rena Swezey