TOWN OF CASTLETON BOARD OF ABATEMENT MEETING February 26, 2018 6:30PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lilian Sheren, Jim Leamy, Pat Albin-Diercksen, Frank Giannini, Joe Bruno, Bob Spaulding, Zack Holzworth, Robert Grace, Judi Forbes, Nedra Boutwell, Mary Beth Hadeka, Scott Lobdell.

Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Robert Grace.

Nedra noted an amendment to the agenda, Roshan Sivagnanam Parcel #32-50-15.1 withdrew his request for abatement.

Joe B made a motion to elect Robert G as the Chair, seconded by Zack H. All in favor, Motion passed.

Joe B made a motion to elect Scott L as the Co-Chair, seconded by Robert S. All in favor, Motion passed.

Minutes from the April 24, 2017 Board of Abatement meeting were reviewed. Joe B made a motion to accept the minutes as written, Jim L seconded. All in favor, Motion passed.

Nancy Eagan Gennaro Parcel # 35-51-29

Nancy was not present for this meeting, she sent in a letter asking for abatement based on her being taxed for property that she never owned. Nancy and her sister inherited property when their mother died in 2015. When they sold the property in 2017 it was brought to their attention that this one small parcel, 35-51-29, was not theirs. She has been paying the taxes for two years. Nancy has worked with Lisa, in our Assessor's office, and Lisa has marked the parcel owner unknown.

As Lisa does not work for the Town of Castleton at this time she could not be present to explain her research. Nedra spoke with Lisa before she left and was told the parcel was marked owner unknown after a title search revealed Nancy does not own the parcel. This parcel was also marked as owner unknown at the time of the reappraisal. It was assessed at \$2,900 in 2007/2008 and \$4,500 for 2015/2016.

After some discussion, Jim L made a motion to abate taxes paid in the amount of \$181.88 for 2015/16 and 2016/17 and issue Nancy Eagan Gennaro a check. Zack H seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Joe B. made a motion to adjourn, Zack H seconded. All in favor. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6.43.

Respectfully submitted:

Nedra Boutwell, Town Clerk Approved:

Date: