

TOWF OF GRANVILLE

BOARD OF ABATEMENT HEARING

November 19, 2018

Members: Nancy Demers/Chairman, Bruce Hyde, Jim Dague, Richard Poole, Robin Hagerman, Eileen Dague and Kathy Werner.

Corner School Resource Center of Granville: Roger Stauss and Kate Stauss

Nancy called the meeting to Order at 5:00 pm.

Kate recused herself from the meeting and left the table.

Bruce suggested the board hold the deliberative session open to the public.

Jim asked to go into discussion.

Roger stated he spoke with VLCT and learned the abatement can only be approved by the Board of Abatement and not at Town Meeting.

There was a discussion on the school tax portion and reconciliation of the Grand List in January with PVR. If all tax is abated the school portion would still be owed by the town to the school district. The CSRC was added to the Grand List by the process of Errors and Omission.

Bruce made the motion to abate all the taxes due to financial hardship and furthermore the town has voted historically for exemption. Richard seconded the motion. The board went back to discussion. Jim suggested abating just the town tax and not the school. Jim proposed the CSRC could petition for a warned article for town meeting to ask the voters to for funds to repay the CRSC the school tax.

The Chair asked the board to vote on the motion. All were in favor with one against. Motion passed by majority.

The board discussed meeting procedure and review of the voter checklist and decided to hold a BCA meeting in February of 2019.

Jim moved to adjourn at 5:26. Motion was seconded by Eileen. All were in favor with none opposed.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Kathy Werner

Town Clerk/Treasurer