

TOWN OF GRANVILLE
ABATEMENT HEARING

November 12, 2018

Board of Civil Authority Members: Nancy Demers/Chairwoman, Kate Stauss, Eileen Dague, Robin Hagerman, Bruce Hyde, Jim Dague, Richard Poole and Kathy Werner.

Appellant: Corner School Resource Center Members: Kate Stauss, Roger Stauss and Diane Eramo.

Meeting was called to order by Nancy at 5:00 pm.

Kate stated she would recuse herself from the Board of Abatement and left the table.

As a member of the CSRC, Kate gave a background history of the organization as being a non-profit organization that is beneficial to the Town of Granville. The funds that the organization holds is currently tied up with grant applications that they have already applied for. The town has voted their approval for tax exempt status in the past. The exempt status would've been brought to the voters at the last Town Meeting for renewal but because of oversight it wasn't. The CSRC funds are tied to grant applications and unavailable and so they are unable to pay their property taxes this year. The CSRC plans to request a Warned Article for the next Town Meeting asking for a continuation of another five year exemption from the voters.

Roger stated that their organization may be eligible for property tax exemption citing VT Title 32 Chapter 125.

The Board then went into deliberative session at 5:20 pm.

The board came out of deliberative session at 5:30.

Jim will contact the Vermont Secretary of State for more information regarding statutes for abatement and precise legal meaning of "persons".

Nancy made the motion to table the meeting until Monday November 19th at 5:00 pm. Jim seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Jim moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Robin. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Kathy Werner
Town Clerk/treasurer