

Town of Colchester
Board of Assessment Appeals
March 9, 2021 –6:30 p.m.
Virtual Meeting

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Members in Attendance: Chairman Andrew Cournoyer, Jeffrey Brainard, Christos Stravoravdis
Members Absent: None
Others Present: None

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TOWN CLERK

1. **Call to order:** Chairman Cournoyer called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. **Approve minutes from meeting on December 15, 2020:** J. Brainard motioned to approve minutes from December 15, 2020 meeting, seconded by A. Cournoyer. Vote was unanimous. **MOTION CARRIED**
3. **Citizens comments:** There were no citizens present for comment.
4. **Conduct scheduled hearings for taxpayers that filed a written appeal petition with the Board by February 20, 2021, which were approved. Such appeals pertain to the October 1, 2020 Real Estate and Personal Property Grand Lists.**

The following appeal hearings were held March 9, 2021:

Stephen Klusek 161 Lake Hayward Rd PP: 1970 Chrysler Newport	Mr. Klusek sworn in. Received assessment letter dated February 8 which believe includes ramp van, two weeks later received letter just related to 1970 Chrysler Newport dated February 23. 1970 Chrysler vehicle hasn't been operated in 30 years. Previously had been assessed at a scrap price of \$500 but Mr. Klusek thinks his assessment notice indicates the assessment increased this year. Vehicle is considered a classic car, but never been restored and there's been no improvements to it.
Michael Clark 180 Prospect Hill Rd PP: Ford F-150 1998	Mr. Clark sworn in. Appealing Ford F-150 that is not operational. Assessment was \$1,400 for this year's bill. Has returned plate receipt from December to DMV. Engine is shot and he is not going to fix it or make any repairs to the vehicle. He plans to scrap the vehicle before next tax year.

5. **Discussions and possible decisions on hearings held:**

Stephen Klusek 161 Lake Hayward Rd PP: 1970 Chrysler Newport	Believe Mr. Klusek has appealed before and assessment was reduced to \$500 for classic car. If the bill is in fact higher this year, it should be at a \$500 assessed price. Per town personal property
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Assessment: \$500	information, assessment was \$2,220, exemption \$1,720 so already at \$500 in 2019 GL. 2017 is the last year the van was on here as a separate item. Not sure how or if it changed for 2020. With whatever exemption is needed, this net assessment should stay at \$500. J. Brainard motion to set assessment at \$500. C. Stravoravdis seconded. Vote was unanimous. MOTION CARRIED.
Michael Clark 180 Prospect Hill Rd PP: Ford F-150 1998 Assessment: \$500	Looked up vehicles on personal property town search, confirmed assessment. Vehicle is 23 years old and he says he's going to get rid of it, so a minimum value of \$500 seems appropriate. A. Cournoyer made a motion to set assessment to \$500, C. Stravoravdis seconded. Vote was unanimous. MOTION CARRIED.

6. **Additions:** There were no additions to the agenda.

7. **Motion to adjourn:** J. Brainard motioned to adjourn. A. Cournoyer seconded. Vote was unanimous. Chairman Cournoyer adjourned the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

Submitted by,



Delaney LePage, BAA Secretary