

TOWN OF OLD ORCHARD BEACH BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW

Meeting Minutes, Monday, May 6, 2024

The Old Orchard Beach Board of Assessment Review ("Board") met on May 6, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. to participate in a training workshop provided by the Board's legal counsel and to hear two appeals.

Members Attending: Board members Robin Dube (Chair), William Jones (Secretary), Francis Manduca, George Plaumann, and Kevin Hedberg.

Also Attending: Town Assessor Karen Fortier and Deputy Assessor Diane Paul; Town Attorneys Spencer Shagoury and Patrick Marass, representing the Assessor; Mr. Pugliares; and James Katsiaficas representing the Board.

The first appeal was brought by Taxpayer Domenic Pugliares regarding residential property at 19 Wild Dunes Way. The Taxpayer appealed from the Town Assessor's March 25, 2024 denial of his Application for Abatement of property taxes upon the Property. After notice and hearing, and following several motions and reconsidered motions, on motion by Mr. Plaumann, seconded by Mr. Hedberg, the Board voted 4-1 (Mr. Manduca opposed) to grant Taxpayer's appeal, finding the Assessor's assessed valuation of the Property was manifestly wrong and granting a \$100,000 reduction in the Property's assessed April 1, 2023 valuation, from \$1,158,200 to \$1,058,200.

The second appeal was brought by Taxpayer's agent Domenic Pugliares regarding residential property at 69 Wild Dunes Way. The Taxpayer appealed from the Town Assessor's March 25, 2024 denial of his Application for Abatement of property taxes upon the Property. On motion by Mr. Plaumann, seconded by Mr. Hedberg, the Board voted 4-1 (Mr. Manduca opposed) to deny the appeal because of Taxpayer's failure to prove the Assessor's assessed valuation of the Property was manifestly wrong.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

