Board of Abatement Minutes
February 28, 2019

Present:

      Alta Johnston – Justice of Peace
      Mary Ann Black – Justice of Peace
      Debbie Perry – Treasurer
      Nathan Hewitt – Selectmen
      Larry Taggart – Justice of Peace
      Karen Davis – Town Clerk – Lister
      Madeline Kerstetter – Justice of Peace
      James Genovesi – Lister
      Robert Toppin – Selectmen & Justice of Peace
      Steve Martelle – Selectmen
      Kayla Jones - Applicant
      Donna Jones – representative for applicant

Called to order at 6:04

1. All board members received a copy of the agenda, Rules of Procedure, copies of the request submitted by applicant and copies of the tax bill being abated via the US Mail.
2. Rules of procedure adopted 5/17/18 were followed
3. James Genovesi was chair
4. All persons in attendance took oaths
5. There were no conflict of interest and no questions relating to the rules of procedure

    Applicant
Kayla Jones – 4251 VT Route 133 – span # 309-098-10028

1.Statutory criteria: 24 V.S.A. § 1535 (a)(1) – Taxes of persons who have died insolvent.
2.Statutory criteria: 24 V.S.A. § 1535 (a)(3) - Taxes of persons who are unable to pay their taxes, interest, collection fees.
3.Statutory criteria: 32 V.S.A. § 3802 (11) – Taxes of a veteran or his or her family member who file late for an exemption claim due to sickness, disability or other good cause

    Karen explained that 32 V.S.A. §3802 (11) was for veterans that were eligible for exemptions. Kayla confirmed she is not a veteran and she is not eligible to file under this criteria.

Kayla read to the board the letter she submitted with her request.
Board heard arguments from Kayla and her mom, Donna Jones, about why the principal, interest and penalties from 2018 taxes should be abated under criteria noted above or come to an agreement on a payment plan for all monies owed.

6. The board went into deliberative session.

7. No decision was announce at this time. A written notice of decision will be mailed to the applicant.

8. Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm. Motion made by James Genovesi, 2nd by Karen Davis.