## Town of Marlboro, Vermont Board for the Abatement of Taxes

Minutes – September 3, 2025

Present were: Lister & Delinquent Tax Collector Evan Wyse; Select Board member Jeff Skramstad; Justices of the Peace David Holzapfel, Andy Reichsman, Marcia Hamilton, T Hunter Wilson; Treasurer Rebecca Sevigny; and Town Clerk Forrest Holzapfel.

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by Chair T Hunter Wilson

- 1) Recording begins. Brief discussion of process to be followed by the Board.
- 2) Board members read the request of **William & Wylie Carlisle owning property at 1011 North Pond Road** for an abatement of tax, penalties, interest, and fees on their
  2024 tax bill due to inability to pay. The appellants provided detailed statements of their
  financial positions but could not attend in person.
- 3) Delinquent Tax Collector Evan Wyse developed a calculation sheet showing total amounts due which the Board reviewed.
- 4) Discussion of case details, with Board weighing details of the basis for request.
  - Phone call made to William Carlisle so he could answer questions from the Board.
  - T Hunter asked William about their request for abatement.
  - William says he has no income and cannot cover monthly expenses. He has no way to come up with the money. He knows that selling may be his only option.
  - T Hunter states that \$1,612.67 is what is due in back taxes, so it will infringe very little on the potential sale price with the Town valuation of the property currently valued by the Town at \$72,300.
  - End of phone call with William Carlisle.
- 5) Discussion of the fact that there are two owners of record and this is a second home property, not a situation where the owners will be without a place to live should the board choose to not abate.
- 6) So moved by Marcia Hamilton to abate fees, penalties, and interest only and leave the principal due, seconded by Jeff Skramstad.
- 7) Discussion: Dissenting opinion from Evan Wyse that this is a long-standing problem which won't be fixed by abating 2024 taxes with 2025 taxes due in one month. Discussion ends. Chair calls for vote on the above motion. Unanimous voice vote of no, motion is defeated.
- 8) Andy Reichsman makes a motion to not grant abatement in this case, David Holzapfel seconds. No discussion. So voted by unanimous voice vote to deny this abatement request.

9) Meeting adjourned 4:34 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Forrest Holzapfel, Town Clerk

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All papers pertaining to this abatement are filed in the Town Clerk's Office in a file labeled "BAT – Carlisle – 2025".

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William & Wylie Carlisle 1011 North Pond Road Parcel 097.100 SPAN 378-117-10689

Request is for abatement of tax, fees, interest and penalties as detailed below:

Taxes total \$1,350.70

Fees total \$6.63

Penalties \$104.46

Interest \$176.29

ABATEMENT REQUEST TOTAL = \$1,612.67