



TOWN OF LEYDEN

Meeting Minutes

Board of Assessors

Where: Leyden Town Offices – 7 Brattleboro Road

When: June 29, 2026 at 5:00 PM

In Attendance

Members: Robert “Bob” DePalma, Erik Johnson and Kenneth “Kenny” Spatcher.

Others Alice Wozniak, Assistant Assessor; Jennifer Van Pelt, resident.

Present:

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:08 PM.

Minutes: **Erik Johnson moved to approve the Minutes of June 8th. Bob DePalma seconded. Passed unanimously.**

Real Estate: Monthly List-The RE/PP Monthly List for June is as follows:

- June \$ 0.

Kenny Spatcher moved to approve the RE/PP Monthly List for June in the amount listed above. Bob DePalma seconded. Passed unanimously.

Motor Vehicle: Monthly List-The MV Monthly List for June is as follows:

- June \$1,227.03

Erik Johnson moved to approve the MV Monthly List listed above. Kenny Spatcher seconded. Passed unanimously.

Other Business: Discussed reviewing the building permits which are mostly solar, insulation, etc. with no value. We will handle this at our next meeting.

Appointment: Jennifer Van Pelt of 350 Brattleboro Rd came to discuss her land’s impact on the valuation of her property. She expressed concerns about the water on her property which she notes as wetlands and attributes it to the drainage that has been installed over the years by the Town. She wanted the Assessors to make an adjustment based upon her research of wetland plants, etc. As wetlands are not within the Assessor’s purview, they sent her to the Conservation Commission who recommended that she get a wetlands specialist’s opinion on the issues. Ms. Van Pelt doesn’t want to spend the money on a wetland’s specialist, so the Assessors noted that she can appeal her valuation to the Appellate Tax Board or perhaps based on her age that she might be eligible for an elder exemption. She



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wasn't very receptive to either option. Bob said that he would reach out to the state to see if there was anyone who had some information that would be helpful in this matter and we would be back in touch with Ms. Van Pelt if there was anything. If not, the value will stand based upon sales.

Adjourn:

Kenny Spatcher moved to adjourn at 7:47 PM. Erik Johnson seconded. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully,
Alice Wozniak, MAA