

TOWN OF MONTVILLE

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

MINUTES

RE: *MOTOR VEHICLE APPEALS*

2008

SCHEDULED MOTOR VEHICLE APPEAL MEETINGS

SEPTEMBER 15, 2008 – 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

SEPTEMBER 16, 2006 – 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

September 20, 2008 – 9:00 a.m. to Noon

LOCATION: Tax Assessors Office

<u><i>BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS COMMISSION MEMBERS</i></u>	<u><i>ATTENDANCE STATUS</i></u>
Marjorie Gatheral, Chairperson	<u><i>*PRESENT</i></u> <i>(AT ALL APPEALS MEETINGS)</i>
Monica Pomazon, Secretary	<u><i>*PRESENT</i></u> <i>(AT ALL APPEAL MEETINGS)</i>
Richard Wilson, Commission Member	<u><i>*PRESENT</i></u> <i>(AT ALL APPEAL MEETINGS)</i>

<u><i>TOWN OF MONTVILLE STAFF</i></u>	<u><i>ATTENDANCE STATUS</i></u>
Mary Ann Lesieur, Assistant to the Assessor	<u><i>PRESENT</i></u> 9/15/08
Jeryl Casey, Assistant to the Assessor	9/16/08 9/20/08

POSTING / ADVERTISEMENT:

All owners of motor vehicles registered in the Town of Montville are hereby warned that the Board of Assessment Appeals of the Town of Montville will meet in open session at the office of the Assessor in the Montville Town Hall, 310 Norwich-New London Turnpike, Uncasville, Ct., for the sole purpose of hearing appeals related to the assessment of motor vehicles. No appointments will be taken. Taxpayers will be heard on a first come first serve basis.

The hearing dates will be:

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All persons claiming to be aggrieved by the doings of the Assessor of the Town of Montville with regard to motor vehicles assessment on the Grand List of October 1, 2007; are hereby warned to make their appeal to the Board of Assessment Appeals at these meetings only. They should also bring all pertinent documents related to their appeal.

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

Marjorie Gatheral, Chairman

➤ **APPEALS HEARD ON SEPTEMBER 15, 2008 – 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

The following motor vehicle appeals were heard on September 15, 2008, and acted upon:

1. **Ralph Gilbert**, 39 Beckwith Road, Oakdale, Ct. 06370
Motor Vehicle: 1977 Ford F150
VIN: F15GEY63183

Appellant stated he no longer owns the vehicle and the plates were turned in. The vehicle was sold in July 2007. Appellant is also seeking a \$94.00 reimbursement from last year.

The appeal was denied.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Gatheral

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

2. **Dennis Levine**, 64 Dubois Road, Uncasville, Ct.
Motor Vehicle: 1982 Chevy
VIN: 2GCCC14D1C121418

Appellant stated he received an award last year from the BAA which brought the assessment to \$1,400.00 Appellant expressed his dismay with having to come each year. This vehicle is used for dump runs and is not an antique. Appellant also stated he has been in contact with the FBI because his personal information was divulged.

The appeal was granted with a reduced assessment from \$3,410.00 to \$1,260.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Gatheral

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

3. Daniel and Teresa Dunion, 35 Rankin Ct., Uncasville, Ct.

Motor Vehicle: 1989 Terry 5th Wheel

VIN: 1EA5K2528K1449920

Appellant addressed the BAA and stated instead of decreasing in value our bill states it has appreciated by \$1,000.00. In 2007, the assessment was \$1,722.00 and this year it is 2,770.00; something is wrong. It is a registered vehicle but is in bad condition with holes in the roof. Appellant presented supporting NADA documentation.

The appeal was granted with a reduced assessment from \$2,770.00 to \$1,722.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Gatheral

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

4. Lombardi Gravel and Excavation, LLC, 18 Sachatello Ind. Drive, Oakdale, Ct.

Motor Vehicles (3 Appeals):

A. 2007 PTRB Conventi 02 VIN: 1NPFL4TX67N685533

B. 2007 PTRB VIN: INPFL4TX47N685532

C. 2006 PTRB CONVENTI 02 VIN: 1NPFX4TX36N882629

Appellant addressed the BAA requesting a reduction to all three vehicles. Attorney Londregan was present and acting as legal council for the appellant. Attorney Longregan gave a brief synopsis noting the appellant had moved his business from Waterford to Oakdale in the Spring of 2007. The trucks were purchased new and are exempt under State Statue 12-81 sub section 74. Trucks can be exempt for five years. 2006 was the first year of exemption while in the Town of Waterford. In the Spring of 2007; the appellant moved to Oakdale. Through an oversight; the appellant did not file the necessary exemption papers in accordance to the deadline date. Attorney Londregan stated the BAA can correct/change this and override the deadline date rule. This exemption is statutory regulated and cited New London as a town who has overridden the deadline date rules.

The appeal was denied for: 2007 PTRB Conventi 02 VIN: 1NPFL4TX67N685533

The appeal was denied for: 2007 PTRB VIN: INPFL4TX47N685532

The appeal was denied for: 2006 PTRB CONVENTI 02 VIN: 1NPFX4TX36N882629

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Gatheral

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

5. Daniel Dunn, 19 Marcia Drive, Uncasville, Ct.

Motor Vehicle: 1979 Ford F101

VIN: F10BEFC2009

Appellant requested a reduced assessment as was granted by the BAA last year in the amount of \$500.00. Pictures were shared with the BAA.

The appeal was granted with a reduced assessment from \$3,130.00 to \$500.00

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Gatheral

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

6. James Baton, 12 Williams Road, Oakdale, Ct.

Motor Vehicle: 1980 Buick Regal

VIN: 4M47AAG100906

Appellant stated this is his sixth time before the BAA about this vehicle. No improvements were made to the vehicle. The BAA reduced the amount of the assessment to \$500.00 last year.

The appeal was granted with a reduced assessment from \$1,380.00 to \$500.00

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Gatheral

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

7. Patricia Digioia, 106 Meetinghouse Lane, Oakdale, Ct.

Motor Vehicle: 1999 Chevy Malibu

VIN: 1GIND52T9X6230778

The appellant was not present; but Brian Everett was acting as the representative. Mr. Everett stated the car mileage is over 100,000 miles and the value is inflated and should be at about \$1,200.00.

The appeal was granted with a reduced assessment from \$2,890.00 to \$1,350.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Gatheral

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

8. Ronald Pelletier, 1095 Old Colchester Road, Oakdale, Ct.

Motor Vehicle: 1973 ChevyC10

VIN: CCY2331184488

The appellant stated the vehicle has over 300,000 miles and is primarily used for dump trips. It is also severely rusted and the windows are off of the tracks. It is not an antique.

The appeal was granted with a reduced assessment from \$5,530.00 to \$500.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Gatheral

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

9. Jeffrey Keefe, 60 Oakland Drive, Montville, Ct.

Motor Vehicle: 1977 Ford F350

VIN: F37HEY02745

The appellant reported the vehicle is rotted, holey, and has over 200,000 miles. It is used for wood runs. The BAA reduced the assessment two year ago. Last year the appellant missed the deadline.

The appeal was granted with a reduced assessment from \$6,300.00 to \$1,300.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Gatheral

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

10. Arthur Gregory, 59 Jerome Road, Uncasville, Ct.

Motor Vehicle: 1986 GMC

VIN: 1GTDT14RXG2504352

The appellant requested the same reduction as last year that was granted by the BAA. No improvements have been made to the vehicle.

The appeal was granted with a reduced assessment from \$3,030.00 to \$950.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Gatheral

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

11. John Plikus, 65 Lochdale Drive, Oakdale, Ct.

Motor Vehicle: 1967 Pontiac GTO

VIN: 24217Z120795

The appellant requested the same reduction as last year that was granted by the BAA. No improvements have been made to the vehicle.

The appeal was granted with a reduced assessment from \$21,540.00 to \$10,500.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Gatheral

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

12. Wayne Wisniewski, 142 Massapeag Side Road, Uncasville, Ct.

Motor Vehicle: 1973 Chevy

The appellant stated no improvements have been made to the vehicle. It is rotted and rusted. The appellant is requesting the same reduction that was granted last year by the BAA.

The appeal was granted with a reduced assessment from \$5,530.00 to \$1,000.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Gatheral

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

➤ **APPEALS HEARD ON SEPTEMBER 16, 2008 – 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

13. Scott Swartz, 18 Allison's Way, Oakdale, Ct.

Motor Vehicles – Three (3) appeals

A. 2000 Chevy Ventura – 1GNDUO3E840246769

B. 1984 Rockwood M-1280-1206 – 1RKTC2806E1000259

C. 1998 Dodge Neon – 1B3ES47C4WD624247

Appellant brought NADA comparison sheets and stated all three vehicles have an inflated assessment. The camper has the original canvas and pad. It does not have a heater and is valued at \$490.00 in NAPA. It is in fair condition with some rust. The Chevy Ventura-V6 has 105,000 miles and is in good condition. The Dodge Neon was sold for \$500.00 in June 2008; and had extremely high mileage.

The appeal was granted on the 2000 Chevy Ventura – VIN: 1GNDUO3E840246769 with a reduced assessment from \$3,520.00 to \$3,045.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Pomazon

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

The appeal was granted on the 1984 Rockwood M-1280-1206 – VIN: 1RKTC2806E1000259 with a reduced assessment from \$1,820.00 to \$500.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Pomazon

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

The appeal was granted on the 1998 Dodge Neon – VIN: 1B3ES47C4WD624247 with a reduced assessment from \$1,980.00 to \$1,628.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Pomazon

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

- 14. Edmund Bragdon**, 19 Jerome Ave, Uncasville, Ct.
Personal Property – 1988 Camper and Storage Box
List Number: 007-02-0040138
Motor Vehicle: 1984 Chevy Pickup Truck

The appellant reported these 1988 Camper is on his property; but he does not own it. Appellant neglected to complete the property declaration form. The storage unit is rented from DW Transport.

The appeal was denied for all three requests for the 1988 Camper, Storage Box and 1984 Chevy Pickup Truck.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Pomazon

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

- 15. Pedro and Elena Catubig**, 55 Halehaven Ct, Uncasville, Ct.
Motor Vehicle – 1984 Mercedes
VIN: WDBAB33A8EA127728

Appellant reported the car was totaled on August 1, 2008. Prior to the car being totaled, the mileage was high and the car was in need of repairs.

The appeal was granted with a reduced assessment from \$5,150.00 to \$3,412.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Pomazon

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

- 16. Authur Richards**, 49 Fitch Hill Road, Uncasville, Ct.
Motor Vehicle – 1966 GMC
VIN: 11001PD5084A

The appellant brought in copies of the BAA reduction decisions from the last decade.

The appeal was granted with a reduced assessment from \$7,910.00 to \$500.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Pomazon

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

17. Dana McFee, 192 Leffingwell Road, Uncasville, Ct.

Motor Vehicles – Four (4) vehicles

A. 1999 Mercury Villager – VIN: 4M2XV11T5XDJ15530

B. 1996 Ford Econoline – VIN: 1FTJE34H5TH1336203

C. 1997 Pontiac Grand Am – VIN: 1G2NW12T1VC764452

D. 1995 Homemade II

The appellant brought copies of the BAA reduction decision he received last year. Appellant also brought online documents which denoted low, median, and high assessment listings as well as NADA supporting documents. Appellant reported the mileage on the Mercury Villager is 135,000 and is poor condition ranking a low retail value. The Ford Econoline has 182,000 miles and is poor condition ranking a low retail value. The 1997 Pontiac Grand Am was sold after October 1, 2007 and had 152,000 miles at the time of the sale. The trailer is home made and is made from wood.

The appeal was granted for the 1999 Mercury Villager – VIN: 4M2XV11T5XDJ15530 with a reduced assessment from \$3,680.00 to \$2,590.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Pomazon

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

The appeal was granted for the 1996 Ford Econoline – VIN: 1FTJE34H5TH1336203 with a reduced assessment from \$2,990.00 to \$2,476.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Pomazon

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

The appeal was granted for the 1997 Pontiac Grand Am VIN:1G2NW12T1VC764452 with a reduced assessment from \$2,420.00 to \$1,575.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Pomazon

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

The appeal was granted for the 1995 Homemade II with a reduced assessment from \$390.00 to \$100.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Pomazon

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

➤ **APPEALS HEARD ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2008 – 9:00 a.m. to NOON**

18. Peter Coombs, 21 Chapel Hill Road, Oakdale, Ct.
Motor Vehicle – 1977 Ford F250
VIN: F26HE460601

The appellant reported the vehicle to be in fair condition. It is over the 20 years old and it is not an antique.

The appeal was granted with a reduced assessment from \$5,370.00 to \$1,400.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Pomazon

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

19. Louay Saad, 30 Pruett Place, Oakdale, Ct.
Motor Vehicle: 1977 Ford F100
VIN: F10HCZ12489

The appellant brought pictures of the vehicle and copies of the BAA reduction from last year to \$500.00. He also noted this vehicle is used for dump trips.

The appeal was granted with a reduced assessment from \$4,830.00 to \$500.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Pomazon

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

20. Roy Waterhouse, 44 Richard Brown Road, Uncasville, Ct.
Motor Vehicle: 1987 Buick Regal
VIN: 1G4GJ1172HP443178

The appellant reported rot, rust and very high mileage on the vehicle. He brought the BAA reduction in from 2004 which was for \$3,000.00. It is not an antique.

The appeal was granted with a reduced assessment from \$9,700.00 to 2,500.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Pomazon

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

21. Anna Krysiwicz, 12 Jerome Ave, Uncasville, Ct.
Motor Vehicles: 2

A. 1972 Dodge D100 – VIN: D12AB2S514200

B. 1987 Cadillac Bougham – VIN: 1G6DW51Y7H971339

The appellant brought the BAA reductions on both vehicles dating back to 2005 and letters from Don Mallon Chevrolet and Charles Toyota which noted both vehicles have no market value due to the age and condition of the vehicles. The appellant stated the Cadillac has not been driven and has a gas gage problem.

The appeal was granted for the 1972 Dodge D100 – VIN: D12AB2S514200 with a reduced assessment from \$5,060.00 to \$200.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Pomazon

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

The appeal was granted for the 1987 Cadillac Bougham – VIN: 1G6DW51Y7H971339 with a reduced assessment from \$2,420.00 to \$1,050.00.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Pomazon

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

22. D and L Barnes and Sons LLC, 9 Liberty Road, Oakdale, Ct.

Motor Vehicle – 1985 Intl S2575 / Commercial Truck

VIN: 1HTZR00007FHA16564

The appellant reported the vehicle was sold two months ago; however she was billed and taxed twice for the same vehicle. She is not contesting the motor vehicle tax; but she already was taxed and paid for this vehicle on a personal property bill in the amount of \$628.91.

The appeal was denied.

Motion by: Mr. Wilson

Seconded by: Ms. Pomazon

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried. (3 In Favor – 0 Opposed)

The minutes are respectfully submitted by:

Marie Smith

Recording / Minutes Secretary

Montville Board of Assessment Appeals – SEPTEMBER 2008 / Motor Vehicles Appeals

For the grand list of October 1, 2007