

TOWN OF AVON
BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS
March 18, 2024

Members present: Norman Sondheimer, Jeffrey Maguire, Kershwin Singh, Chelsea Ross, Mike Guerrero

The meeting opened at 6:00 p.m.

The Board did split into groups for two of the appeals as noted.

Appeal #30: 40 Sky View Drive - John Papa

Mr. Papa stated that the assessments in the Porches, Patios, and Decks category is excessive. He believes these areas are not livable space and feels over assessed.

The Board reviewed his property card and verified with Mr. Papa that the square footage amounts in these areas are correct. All open framed porch areas are assessed the same on all properties in town. The Board determined the assessment to be fair and equitable. A motion was made and passed unanimously to deny the appeal.

Motion made by Mike Guerrero and seconded by Chelsea Ross.

Appeal #18: 333 Montevideo Road – Sarwar Properties LLC, Aaron Sarwar

Mr. Sarwar has 4 buildings on his property. He believes the assessment on the main house is too high and does not agree with the current grade of AA+.

The Board thoroughly reviewed the components on the property card as well as comparable properties supplied by Mr. Sarwar. After careful deliberation, the grade was determined to be correct, and the assessment to be fair and equitable. A motion was made and passed unanimously to deny the appeal.

Motion made by Chelsea Ross and seconded by Jeff Maguire.

Appeal #38: 13 Willow Lane – Sherry Kasowitz

Heard by: Chelsea Ross and Mike Guerrero

Decided by: Norman Sondheimer, Jeff Maguire, Kershwin Singh, Chelsea Ross & Mike Guerrero

Ms. Kasowitz was concerned that her property was being over valued based on recent condo sales that are similar to her unit.

After review of her property card, it was determined that her value is correct. A motion was made and passed unanimously to deny any change in assessment.

Motion made by Mike Guerrero and seconded by Chelsea Ross.

Appeal #12: 10 Evergreen Road - Hamid Dirami

Heard by: Norman Sondheimer, Jeff Maguire & Kershwin Singh

Decided by: Norman Sondheimer, Jeff Maguire, Kershwin Singh, Chelsea Ross & Mike Guerrera

Mr. Dirami purchased this property for \$280,000 and states that the value is too high since the house has some major structural damage.

The Board reviewed the appraisal and pictures supplied by the owner and determined that a change in assessment should be done. A motion was made and passed unanimously to increase the depreciation by 5%.

Motion made by Kershwin Singh and seconded by Jeff Maguire.

Appeal #31: 8 Templeton Court - Matthew & Laura Herz

Did not appear. No action taken.

Appeal #37: 385 West Main Street – Shops at Dale Corner LLC (Represented by T.J. Donohue of Killian & Donohue LLC)

Attorney Donohue stated that the new value is excessive. An appraisal is in the process of being done.

Due to a lack of evidence presented, a motion was made and passed unanimously to deny the appeal.

Motion made by Norman Sondheimer and seconded by Kershwin Singh.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.