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MMA Alert Contact: Tom Philbin 617-426-7272 ext. 121

Dear Local Official,

We are just two weeks away from the start of the MMA's spring statewide Legislative Breakfast Meetings, set for February 18th in Clinton, Marshfield and Westborough, February 25th in Lenox, South Hadley and Waltham, and March 11th in Barre, Chelmsford and Peabody. These sessions provide municipal leaders with an opportunity to meet directly with area legislators to discuss the vital issues and priorities that are impacting communities.

PLEASE [CLICK HERE](#) TO REGISTER FOR THE MEETINGS, SEE THE SCHEDULE AND LOCATIONS, AND GET DIRECTIONS. We urge you to make every effort to attend and participate in one of the upcoming breakfasts. The meetings will take place on three separate Friday mornings in February and March from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. in nine communities across the Commonwealth. Many Representatives and Senators have committed to attending the breakfast meetings.

The meetings will bring together municipal officials and legislators to discuss issues affecting local communities, particularly fiscal 2012 budget issues. The breakfast meetings come at an important time, as legislators will be starting the 2011-12 legislative session, setting legislative priorities for the year, and preparing the fiscal 2012 state budget. MMA staff will also lead a discussion on legislative initiatives to reform and reduce municipal health insurance costs.

The meetings will also provide an opportunity to talk about other issues expected to come before the Legislature next year, including a long-awaited rewrite of zoning and other land-use statutes, the Chapter 90 local road and bridge program and other local capital programs, and many other high-profile topics.

It is critically important to have a strong turnout from cities and towns across the Commonwealth to describe the problems our communities face, discuss the solutions you need, and address what we can all do collaboratively to enhance the quality of life for residents and taxpayers.

PLEASE SIGN UP TODAY! [click here](#) to register online, or you can contact Megan Devine via e-mail at mdevine@mma.org, or by calling 617-426-7272 ext. 104 to confirm your attendance, or you can register online any time by visiting the MMA website, www.mma.org.

AFTER YOU REGISTER, WE ASK THAT YOU PLEASE CALL YOUR LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATORS TO EXTEND A PERSONAL INVITATION TO THE BREAKFAST.

If you have any questions about the Legislative Breakfasts, please call MMA Legislative Director David Baier at 617-426-7272, ext. 120 or Tom Philbin at ext. 121.

Please feel free to forward this information to municipal and legislative colleagues.

Thank you very much for your leadership and dedication to public service at home, and to building a strong future for communities across the state!



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Carver Zoning Board of Appeals
 Town Hall * 108 Main Street Carver, MA 02330

AGENDA
February 16, 2011

The Carver Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 16, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. at the Carver Town Hall, Room #4, 108 Main Street, Carver, Massachusetts 02330. In accordance with the Carver Zoning By-Laws, notice is hereby provided for a Public Hearing on the following application:

NEW PETITION:

Case No. 10-938 Petitioner: Priscilla Burns of 53 Pleasant Street, Plympton, Massachusetts regarding property located at 5R Hines Avenue, Carver, Massachusetts 02330. The applicant is appealing refusal by the Building Commissioner to issue a building permit as a matter of right to reconstruct a single family dwelling per Section 2254. In the alternative, Applicant seeks a special permit to reconstruct a single family dwelling per Section 2254. The property is zoned Village District/Residential-Agricultural; in accordance to Assessors Map 19, Lots 18 and 33.

Case No. 11-939 Petitioner: Jen Kenrick of 2 Andrew Road, Sagamore Beach, Massachusetts regarding property located as Lot 62/174/0 and Lot 62/175/0 Oak Drive, Carver, Massachusetts 02330. The applicant seeks a Variance and/or Special Permit under Section 2230 (frontage, side yard, lot size, rear yard). The applicant is seeking to construct a 27.5'x40' modular ranch style home with planning for a potential rear deck and two car 26'x26' garage. The property is zoned Residential-Agricultural; in accordance to Assessors Map 16, Lots 174 and 175.

Executive Session (if needed)

 Authorized Signature

Any persons interested and wishing to be heard should appear at the time and place designated. A copy of the plan is on file at the Town Clerk's office and may be reviewed during normal business hours.

Middleborough Board of Assessors

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Minutes of January 6, 2011

Attendance: Tony Freitas, Paula Burdick, Diane Maddigan and Barbara Erickson

Call to order at 6:35 pm

The Board reviewed minutes from November 4, 2010 & December 14, 2010. Upon motion made by D. Maddigan and seconded by A. Freitas it was unanimously voted to accept the minutes as printed.

Correspondence:

- The Board reviewed the October and November 2010 Sale Reports *NAR*
- Reviewed the job postings for a full-time and a part-time position. The full-time position was filled from within the office and the part-time position was advertised. The Assessor/Appraiser was in the process of interviewing potential candidates. *NAR*
- Reviewed letter to Robert & Sandra Jackson regarding the I & E Penalty Fee. *NAR*
- Reviewed the housing inventory snapshot for September, October, November and December. *NAR*

New Business:

- The Board reviewed and signed the December 2010 Motor Vehicle Excise Abatement Monthly Report
- The Board reviewed and signed the December 2010 Boat Excise Abatement Monthly Report.
- Upon motion by P. Burdick and seconded by D. Maddigan it was voted unanimously to accept the September, October and November 2010 Monthly Exemptions Report as printed.
- The Board reviewed and signed the Chapter 61A Liens for Michael & Tammy Whittaker 029-4667 & 6233, 039-1235 & 482

Other:

- The Board members signed the conflict of interest verification for the Town Clerk's Office.
- The Assessors class was not held.
- Reviewed the requested information for the FY2012 budget. The Assessor/Appraiser will complete the budget based on a level service budget as requested by the Town Manager.
- A discussion ensued regarding doing Cori checks when hiring. The Assessor/Appraiser told the Board that she had spent a day interviewing for the part-time position and was ready to hire someone when she found out that the person had a criminal record. Normally Cori checks are not done on clerical employees but considering what happened the Assessor/Appraiser felt that perhaps the town should consider Cori checks on all employees. She told the Board that she has begun to Google all potential candidates online to see if anything comes up that is a negative to the person and will talk with the Town Manager regarding this matter. A Cori check should not be done on every applicant but certainly if you have narrowed the candidates to 1 or 2 we should be able to have them sign a consent form for the Cori check to be completed.

Middleborough Board of Assessors

Minutes of January 6, 2011

- It was also discussed staying open 1 day during the week in the evening and then closing at 1:00 pm on Friday afternoons. The Assessor/Appraiser suggested that Tuesday would be the day of choice to be open late because the office is closed to the public on Wednesdays and if a holiday was on a Monday that would give the public a longer day to be able to come into the office if needed. Fridays is a very slow day already especially in the afternoon so there would be little impact on the public. Although a lot of people use the town's website, the Vision Appraisal site and the email for the office we still have people that either need to stop in or call when they get home from work and not everyone has the option of during personal errands or phone calls while at work. The Board wanted to be sure that the Assessor/Appraiser looks into both State and Federal regulations regarding breaks for the long day. There is nothing in the clerical contract that addresses breaks for clerical employees working over a certain number of hours in a day. The Assessor/Appraiser also stated she wanted to be sure that she had as much information together as possible before talking with the Town Manager regarding this matter. Although the clerical contract states that hours can be changed for a department if it is in the best interest of the office and/or public, this is a matter that will go before the clerical union. The Assessor/Appraiser will get all information together and present it to the Board prior to talking to the Town Manager.

Old Business:

- None

A vote was taken to go into Executive Session and not return to Open Session at 7:30 pm to meet with someone regarding an abatement application and to review exemptions, real estate and personal property abatements. The Motion was made by D. Maddigan and seconded by P. Burdick

A motion was made by D. Maddigan and seconded by P. Burdick to adjourn at 9:55 pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for February 3, 2011 at 6:30 pm.



Paula Burdick, Clerk



February 1, 2011

Board of Selectmen
Town of Middleborough
10 Nickerson Avenue
Middleborough, MA 02346

Dear Chairman and Members of the Board:

In keeping with our efforts to provide you with updates regarding our services in your community, I am writing to inform you of the following changes:

Effective March 1, 2011, Comcast will be making changes to certain digital cable packages. The digital services listed below will only be available to new customers subscribing to Digital Starter.

Digital Preferred
Digital Preferred plus one premium
Digital Preferred Plus
Digital Preferred plus two premiums
Digital Premier

As a result of this change, current customers to the services listed above will continue to receive their digital service without having a subscription to Digital Starter until they make a change to their account or until they receive further notice. Customers were notified of this information by direct mail.

On March 22, 2011, Discovery Familia will be added to MultiLatino channel 725.

As of March 30, 2011, Movieplex on channel 200 and Investigation Discovery on channel 252 will move from Digital Preferred to Digital Starter. Current subscribers to MultiLatino Ultra or one of the following packages which are not available for new subscription: Digital Bronze, Silver, Gold or Platinum, will no longer receive Movieplex and/or Investigation Discovery as of March 30, 2011.

Should residents contact you with questions regarding any of this information please do not hesitate to direct them to our toll free customer service number: 1-888-XFINITY. Our

XC: Cable Committee

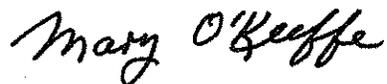
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Customer Account Executives are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to answer any questions they may have regarding Comcast products, services and prices. If you have any questions about this information or any other issue, please feel free to contact me directly at 508-477-7738.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary O'Keefe".

Mary O'Keefe
Senior Manager of Government & Community Relations