

Board of Assessment Review
City of Auburn, Maine

15 July 2016
Cascades Auburn Fiber Inc. Appeal

In attendance:

Shane Lanan of DuCharme, McMillen & Associates, representation for the property owners Cascades Auburn Fiber Inc.

Sally Daggett of Jensen, Baird, Gardner, Henry, representation for the assessing department, Karen Scammon, assessor, Joe St. Peter appraiser BAR quorum of Walter Crites; Chairperson, Levi Gervais; Secretary, Larry Pelletier (6:23p), Robert Hayes, Tizz Crowley, alternate member voting in this hearing

Chairperson opens meeting at 6:07p

- Introductions of all Parties
- Other business
 - Board and assessing dept. agree to use BAR acronym
- Opening BAR statement
 - Agenda outlined
- Parties sworn in

Assessor motion to dismiss

- Taxpayer failure to respond to section 706 request (15 items, Exhibit 4)
 - Requested Feb 12, 2016
 - Questions geared towards requests on appeal
 - Failure to respond letter sent March 23, 2016, no response to this
- Taxpayer submits to assessor doc showing response sent UPS 9 March 2016, signed in, Thatcher March 11, 2016, Auburn city building
 - Did not restate that it was sent, states similar event in 2014
 - Disagrees with corporation assessed on financials
 - Name recognized by BAR member, concern that docs did not get to assessor
- Vote 3-2 to deny motion to dismiss

BAR motion to postpone

- 706 responses, even if info not available, received by all parties
 - Effort to ensure fairness for all parties
 - BAR does not have the information
 - approx. \$75,000 tax dollar value
 - 10 day lead time prior to postponed hearing date
- Vote 3-2 to postpone

Chair adjourns meeting at 7:01p