

Norwich Board of Listers
**Hearing to appeal the penalty for the late
filing of HS-122**
Thursday August 27, 2020, 1:00PM

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Due to COVID-19, this hearing was held via Zoom or In-Person with adherence to health guidelines for Tracy Hall. Zoom was available to the public during the hearing.

Present: Listers: Cheryl A. Lindberg (Chair), Pamela Smith, and Doug Wilberding (via Zoom); Administrative Clerk: Masaki Schuette. Robert Cantor: Owner of 498 Bragg Hill Road (via Zoom)

Lindberg opened the Appeal hearing at 1:02 PM.

Hearing requested by: Lucyna Bojanowska-Cantor and Robert Cantor,
498 Bragg Hill Rd. – Residential

Lindberg explained to Cantor that the late filing of his HS-122 was determined by the State of Vermont. The resulting penalty is assessed by the Town. Therefore, he needs to provide support as to why the Listers should waive the penalty.

Cantor presented his case: Cantor remembers that when he filed his HS-122 on-line, right after receiving a reminder postcard from the State, he felt there was something wrong with the system. His mother passed away at the end of April and he was dealing with several stressful matters. He did not think to check the filing status again on-line until he received his 2020 Norwich Property Tax Bill with Non-Residential Tax rate. He then filed his HS-122 after the July 15, 2020 deadline.

Lindberg asked if he could provide something in writing from the State that they had some kind of glitch in the system. Cantor said that he will contact the State and ask if they would provide an email indicating that there was a problem.

The Listers agreed, with Cantors' approval, to wait about a week to hear back from Cantor regarding the written proof from the State. The Listers will hold their deliberative session thereafter. Cantor agreed to get back to the Listers one way or the other.

Wilberding **motioned** (2nd Smith) to adjourn the appeal hearing at 1:30 PM. **Vote was unanimous.**

Next meeting – September 16, 2020 3:00 PM, at Listers' office, Tracy Hall. Public will be invited through Zoom. Agenda will be Assessors' June report and invoice, Patriot Property invoice/meeting follow up.

Cheryl A. Lindberg, Chair
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