## Norwich Board of Listers Hearing to appeal the penalty for the late filing of HS-122 Wednesday, September 23, 2020, 2:00PM

## **DRAFT MINUTES**

Due to COVID-19, this hearing was held via Zoom and was available to the public.

**Present:** Listers: Cheryl A. Lindberg (Chair), Pamela Smith, and Doug Wilberding (Joined around 2:20pm); Administrative Clerk: Masaki Schuette.

Lindberg opened the Appeal hearing at 2:00 PM. Lindberg explained to Mr. Sandor the process of this hearing and his options if he does not agree with the result of this hearing. Lindberg also mentioned that the Listers will have a deliberation session separately, and he will get the result from Listers by email or/and US mail.

## **Hearing requested by:**

William J. Sandor – ID# 10-031-220) 888 New Boston Rd.

Mr. Sandor presented joined the hearing via telephone.

He stated that he and his family bought his house on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020, but did not move into the house until July 20, 2020. He was confused about Homestead Declaration. Because of the pandemic, he had a hard time getting hold of someone for correct information. He filed a HS-122, but later learned he didn't need to declare until 2021. He is going to file a form - "Homestead Declaration/Tax Adjustment Withdraw" (HS-122 W).

The Listers reviewed his supporting documents and encouraged him to submit the HS-122W form as soon as possible as the process can be somewhat slower than normal given the COVID 19 restrictions. The Listers anticipate that the filing of the HS-122W with the State of Vermont should reverse the late filing penalty. The Lister asked Mr. Sandor to keep them informed of any information he receives from the State of Vermont regarding his situation. Mr. Sandor agreed to do so.

Smith **motioned** (2<sup>nd</sup> Wilberding) to adjourn the appeal hearing at 2:27 PM. **Vote was unanimous.** 

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Lindberg, Chair Board of Listers