

**In Re: Town of Barrington Reassessment**

**Docket No.: 22551-07RA**

**SHOW CAUSE ORDER AND HEARING NOTICE**

On April 16, 2007 a petition was filed with the board by Mr. David M. Hynes and Ms. Janice Erricolo (the “Lead Petitioners”) pursuant to RSA 71-B:16, asserting there exists a basis for a municipal wide reassessment in light of the fact the 2006 revaluation was inadequately performed including “the inaccuracies, misinformation, and the illegal lot consolidations that were applied.” In accordance with Tax 208.05, the board directed its tax review appraisers to perform an investigation of the assessing practices of the “Town” and to conduct an assessment-to-sale ratio study and to file a report (the “Report”).

On September 10, 2007 Ms. Theresa M. Walker, tax review appraiser, filed the Report outlining her findings as to the Town’s assessing practices, the time elapsed since the Town’s last property evaluation, the overall and stratified assessment-to-sale ratios and findings relative to a number of the petition’s allegations. A copy of the Report has been submitted to the Town and the Lead Petitioners.

Pursuant to Tax 208.05(a)(5) the board will hold a hearing on **Monday, November 19, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.** in the offices of the board located at Johnson Hall, Governor Hugh J. Gallen State Office Park, 107 Pleasant Street, Concord, New

Hampshire. At the hearing, the board intends to receive testimony and evidence from the Town and its assessing agent, the Lead Petitioners and any other Barrington taxpayers as to the need for a reassessment or other corrective action. After considering the testimony, evidence and the findings of the Report, the board will make findings with regard to the criteria set forth in RSA 71-B:16-a and issue an order as to the need for a reassessment in the Town.

As provided in Tax 208.05(a)(5), the Town is ordered to either post copies of this Show Cause Order and Hearing Notice in two public places in the municipality or print it in a newspaper of general circulation no less than 10 days prior to the hearing date.

SO ORDERED.

BOARD OF TAX AND LAND APPEALS

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Paul B. Franklin, Chairman

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Albert F. Shamash, Esq., Member

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**Certification**

I hereby certify a copy of the foregoing Order has this date been mailed, postage prepaid, to: David M. Haynes, 37 Brock Street, Rochester, NH 03867-4403 and Janice Erricolo, 119 Moore Avenue, PO Box 1362, Warren, MA 01083, Lead Petitioners; Judith E. Whitelaw, Esq., Mitchell & Bates, P.A., 25 Beacon Street, East Laconia, NH 03246, counsel for Municipality; Chairman, Board of Selectmen, Town of Barrington, 41 Province Lane, Barrington, NH 03825; and Guy Petell, Department of Revenue Administration, PO Box 487, Concord, NH 03302, Interested Party.

Date: October 22, 2007

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Anne M. Stelmach, Clerk