

City of New Haven
Meeting Minutes (Short)
Tax Abatement Committee

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6:30 PM

Aldermanic Chambers

Aldermanic Notice - New Haven

The Tax Abatement Committee will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 10, 2009, at 6:30 P.M, in the Aldermanic Chambers, 165 Church St., New Haven, to act upon the following items;

1. ORDER ABATING (DEFERRING COLLECTION OF) REAL PROPERTY TAXES DUE FROM NANCY TWOHILL-DIXON AND JAMES DIXON ON THEIR RESIDENCE KNOWN AS 12 COURT STREET, GRAND LISTS OF 2006, 2007.
No Action

2. ORDER ABATING (DEFERRING COLLECTION OF) REAL PROPERTY TAXES DUE FROM MABLE CLEMMONS ON HER RESIDENCE KNOWN AS 118 EDWARDS STREET, GRAND LISTS OF 2006 AND 2007.
No Action To be Discharged

3. FROM THE DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS, ELM CITY COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL, A PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL, REQUESTING RELIEF FROM REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX ON THEIR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 794 DIXWELL AVENUE.
No Action

These items are filed with the City Clerk and may be inspected at Room 202, 200 Orange St., New Haven. Per order: Mordechai Sandman, Chair. Attest: Ron Smith, City Clerk.

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Alderman Sandman called the meeting to order at 6:34 P.M. February 10, 2009 in the Aldermanic Chamber, 165 Church Street, New Haven. Present were Aldermen Sandman and Smart.

Alderman Sandman announced that since there was not a quorum of the committee present, they would hold the meeting as a workshop instead.

1. **From Nancy Twohill-Dixon and James Dixon submitting a petition for abatement (deferral of collection) of taxes due for Grand Lists 2006 and 2007 on there residence known as 12 Court Street.**

Alderman Sandman asked if there was anyone from the public to speak on this matter. No one came forward. Mr. Donald Hayden, Committee Staff, told the Committee that he had received a call today from Mr. Dixon, who stated that he was ill & his wife was in the hospital, and he requested that this item be tabled until the next meeting.

2. From Mable Clemmons submitting a petition for abatement (deferral of collection) of taxes due for Grand Lists 2006 and 2007 on her residence known as 118 Edwards Street.

Alderman Sandman asked if there was anyone from the public who wished to testify on this matter. Ms. Diane Clemmons-Jackson, Mrs. Clemmons daughter, came before the committee. Ms. Clemmons-Jackson told the committee that her mother was in the hospital and that she was there to represent her and answer any questions the committee may have.

There were no questions from the committee.

3. From the Elm City Preparatory School requesting relief from their real estate and personal property taxes on the school located at 794 Dixwell Avenue.

Alderman Sandman asked if there was anyone from the City Administration who wished to testify on this matter. Mr. William O'Brian, City Assessor, came before the committee. Mr. O'Brian said that he had been unable to locate an M-3 for the Elm City Preparatory School and also, according to the Connecticut State Statutes, the Board was not permitted to return or abate their taxes.

There were no questions from the committee.

Alderman Sandman asked if there was anyone from the public wishing to testify before the committee about this item. Ms. Susan Roacco, Director of Operations for the Elm City Preparatory School, came before the committee. Ms. Roacco said that they school had mailed the M-3 application to the City.

Alderman Sandman asked Mr. O'Brian to again come forward. There was a discussion between Mr. O'Brian and Ms. Ruacco concerning the schools application and the paperwork she had and what the school needed to do. It was agreed that Ms. Ruacco would come to the Assessor's office tomorrow and meet with Mr. O'Brian and go over the paperwork.

There were no further questions from the committee.

At 6:58 P.M. closed the public portion of the meeting.

Alderman Sandman stated that since it was only a workshop, they could not deliberate on the items on the agenda. However, he said that he would "Discharge from Committee" the Tax Abatement request from Mrs. Clemmons, at the next Board of Alderman meeting, and that he was closing the workshop.

The meeting was recorded. The recording is filed and may be inspected at Legislative Services.

Respectfully submitted,

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