TOWN OF CALAIS
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NOTICE OF ABATEMENT DECISION
TOWN OF CALAIS, VERMONT

Name, Property Owner on Grand List Anthony Belanger

Name, Applicant Town Treasurer Kari Bradley on behalf of Dennis Upham

Relationship of Applicant to Listed Owner Dennis is the owner, Anthony is life estate beneficiary

Mailing Address 640 Bliss Pond Road Adamant, VT 05640

Telephone 223-6805 Email

Location of Property 640 Bliss Pond Road

Parcel ID (SPAN) Number 460640

Property Type X Residential ❒ Commercial ❒ Agricultural ❒ Forest Land

Assessed Value $195,100

Date of Hearing September 22, 2025

Board of Abatement members present Janet Ancel, Scott Bassage, Kristina Bielenberg, Kari Bradley, Barbara Butler, Teegan Dykeman-Brown, Charlotte Hanna, Jordan Keyes, Mike Loignon, Barbara McAndrew, John McCullough, Christy Mihaly, Jamie Moorby, Toby Talbot

Persons appearing for the Applicant Kari Bradley, Town Treasurer

Abatement request category:

❒ Taxes of persons who have died insolvent. 24 V.S.A. § 1535(a)(1).

❒ Taxes of persons who have moved from the state. 24 V.S.A. § 1535(a)(2).

❒ Taxes of persons who are unable to pay their taxes, interest, and collection fees. 24 V.S.A. § 1535(a)(3).

X Taxes in which there is manifest error or a mistake of the listers. 24 V.S.A. § 1535(a)(4).

❒ Taxes upon real or personal property lost or destroyed during the tax year. 24 V.S.A. § 1535(a)(5).

❒ Taxes upon a mobile home moved from the town during the tax year as a result of a change in use of the mobile home park land or parts thereof, or closure of the mobile home park in which the mobile home was sited, pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 6237. 24 V.S.A. § 1535(a)(9).

❒ The exemption amount available under 32 V.S.A. § 3802(11) to persons otherwise eligible for exemption who file a claim on or after May 1 but before October 1 due to the claimant's sickness or disability or other good cause as determined by the board of abatement; but that exemption amount shall be reduced by 20 percent of the total exemption for each month or portion of a month the claim is late filed. 24 V.S.A. § 1535(a)(6).

Abatement Denied XX Granted Amount $ 1,179.80

Findings of Fact

Mr. Upham filed an application for the veterans property tax exemption after the deadline according to Sarah Quigley the Vermont Office of Veterans Affairs (OVA).

Mr. Upham requested that the exemption still be granted, and Ms. Quigley informed the town that it was up to the town whether to abate the corresponding amount of taxes.

Mr. Upham qualifies for the exemption and will receive it in future years according to the OVA.

Reasons for the Board's Decision

Mr. Upham qualifies for the exemption and it is the Town's policy to provide a $40,000 exemption for qualifying veterans.

Certificate: I hereby certify that this is a true record of the action taken on this appeal by the Board of Abatement of Calais, VT

Chair, Board of Abatement

A decision of the Board of Abatement may be appealed to Superior Court in accordance with Rule 75 of the Vermont Rules of Civil Procedure.