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Mr. Peter Jackson

10530 Beech Mill Rd

Great Falls, VA 22060

Board of Civil Authority

Town of Brighton

Island Pond, Vt 05846

April 26, 2019

Re: Decision of Mr. Peter Jackson's request for abatement of delinquent tax penalties and fees

Dear Mr. Jackson:

The Board of Civil Authority of the Town of Brighton met on April 26, 2019 at 1 P.M. in the town hall. Present were Mr. Jackson, Lister Alan Wing, Clerk/Treasurer Teresa Debonville, Town Administrator Joel Cope, Delinquent Tax Collector Lucy Stevens, and BCA members Susan Pedersen, Peder Pedersen, David Robbins, Dolores Robbins, Janet Osborne and Krystyna Kurzej.

All parties were sworn in by the Town Clerk.

Taxpayer and owner Peter Jackson presented his grievance of tax penalties and fees for his property located at 206 Cottage Rd in the town of Brighton span #090-028-10643.

Mr. Jackson purchased the property in April, 2018. His closing attorney assured him that the deed was immediately recorded and sent to the Town Clerk. In December, 2018 he received a delinquent notice for the property that included taxes, penalties and fees. He claims he never received a tax bill, nor did the previous owner Mr. Kinney, as stated in a certified letter sent to the Town Clerk. On January 1, 2019 he paid the taxes, but not the penalties and fees for which he feels he is not responsible, because he never received a tax bill.

The Board, under statute 24 V.S.A. section 1535 (a)(3), granted Mr. Jackson relief from paying the delinquent penalties and fees. Because he never received a tax bill, he was unable to pay the taxes when they were due. He received a delinquent tax notice, the appearance of which led him to question its legitimacy. There was a communication problem among many parties following this tax notice because he had to communicate by phone calls and a certified letter, as he resides in Virginia.

The meeting ended at 2:10.

THE ABATEMENT IS GRANTED.

Sincerely,

Dolores Robbins, chair

Teresa Debonville, Town Clerk