

2024 ABATEMENT REQUEST – Staff Notes

Map 411 Block 114 Lot 48 – Brasley, Christina & Sean

The property owner filed an abatement request on their single-family property located at 30 Isabella St. The property contains a Cape Cod style house with 921 square feet of living space built in 1900 on 0.20 ac. The total assessed value of the property for 2024 was \$224,000.

The taxpayer has indicated that the property record card contains inaccuracies in the sketch relating to the area of attic that was listed as “finished attic” for 2024. As part of the cyclical inspection process, Pat Sohlman conducted an interior inspection of the building on 12/17/2024 and made several changes to the sketch including removing a portion of the attic, changing the remaining area to unfinished attic, and correcting the square footage of finished basement area. He also made note to have an Assessor or Supervisor review a functional adjustment of -2% on the building. As there were no notes or indication for the reason of the functional adjustment, it was removed by Tara Baker. It should be noted that the current owners purchased the property in 2022 for \$234,000, which further supports the removal of the functional adjustment. After all data corrections were made from the cyclical inspection, the assessed value is \$224,100.

It is recommended that abatement be denied after the inspection and the data corrections resulted in no value reduction.

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224,100 PS		01-21-25		VISION		
Total	206,600		206,600			
PREVIOUS ASSESSMENTS (HISTORY)						
Assessed	Year	Code	Assessed V	Year	Code	Assessed
113,200	2022	1010	95,000	2021	1010	85,500
93,400		1010	75,300		1010	49,800
206,600	Total		170,300	Total		135,300
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APPRAISED VALUE SUMMARY						
Appraised Bldg. Value (Card)				113,200		
Appraised Xf (B) Value (Bldg)				0		
Appraised Ob (B) Value (Bldg)				0		
Appraised Land Value (Bldg)				93,400		
Special Land Value				0		
Total Appraised Parcel Value				206,600		
Valuation Method				C		
Total Appraised Parcel Value				206,600		

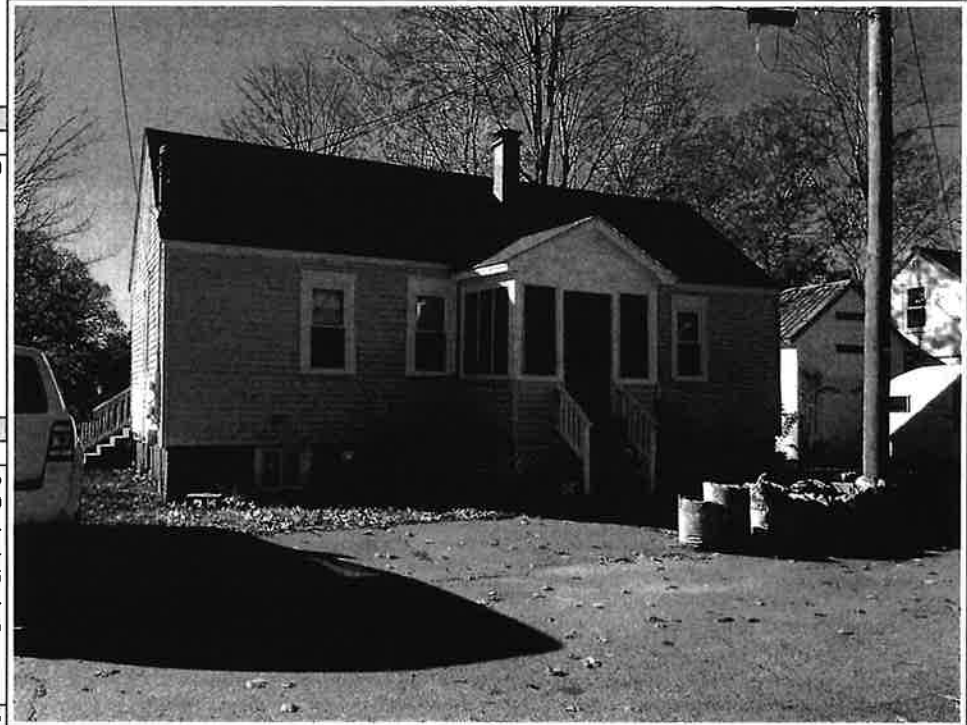
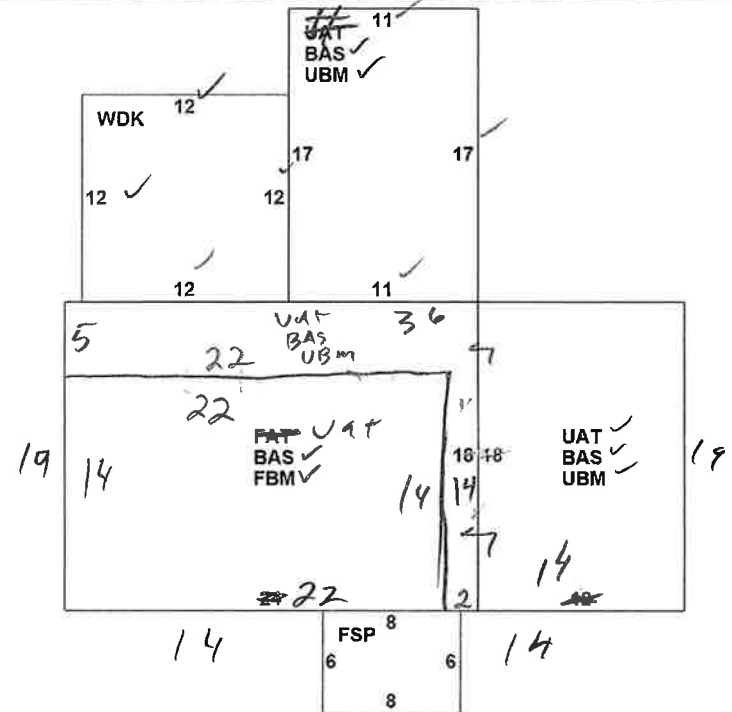
CONSTRUCTION DETAIL			CONSTRUCTION DETAIL (CONTINUED)		
Element	Cd	Description	Element	Cd	Description
Style:	04	Cape Cod			
Model	01	Residential			
Grade:	03	Average			
Stories:	1				
Occupancy	1				
Exterior Wall 1	25	Vinyl Siding ✓			
Exterior Wall 2					
Roof Structure:	03	Gable/Hip ✓			
Roof Cover	03	Asph/F Gls/Cmp ✓			
Interior Wall 1	05	Drywall/Sheet ✓			
Interior Wall 2	03	Plastered ✓			
Interior Flr 1	20	Woodlam/Vinylplank ✓			
Interior Flr 2					
Heat Fuel	02	Oil ✓			
Heat Type:	04	Forced Air-Duc ✓			
AC Type:	03	Central ✓			
Total Bedrooms	02	2 Bedrooms			
Total Bthrms:	1 ✓				
Total Half Baths	0				
Total Xtra Fixtrs					
Total Rooms:	5	5 Rooms			
Bath Style:	02	Average			
Kitchen Style:	02	Average			

CONDO DATA					
Parcel Id		C	Owne	S	Factor%
Adjust Type	Code	Description			
Condo Flr					
Condo Unit					

COST / MARKET VALUATION	
Building Value New	166,511
Year Built	1900
Effective Year Built	1994
Depreciation Code	GD
Remodel Rating	
Year Remodeled	
Depreciation %	30
Functional Obsol	2 # 13
External Obsol	0
Trend Factor	1.000
Condition	
Condition %	
Percent Good	68
RCNLD	113,200
Dep % Ovr	
Dep Ovr Comment	
Misc Imp Ovr	
Misc Imp Ovr Comment	
Cost to Cure Ovr	
Cost to Cure Ovr Comment	

OB - OUTBUILDING & YARD ITEMS(L) / XF - BUILDING EXTRA FEATURES(B)										
Code	Description	LB	Units	Unit Price	Yr Blt	Cond. Cd	% Gd	Grade	Grade Adj.	Appr. Value
SOLA	SOLAR PANE	B	24	0.00			68		0.00	0

BUILDING SUB-AREA SUMMARY SECTION						
Code	Description	Living Area	Gross Area	Eff Area	Unit Cost	Undeprec Value
BAS	First Floor	835	835	835	131.16	109,515
FAT	Attic, Finished	86	432	86	26.11	11,279
FBM	Basement, Finished	0	432	151	45.84	19,804
FSP	Porch, Screen, Finished	0	48	12	32.79	1,574
UAT	Attic, Unfinished	0	403	40	13.02	5,246
UBM	Basement, Unfinished	0	403	81	26.36	10,624
WDK	Deck, Wood	0	144	14	12.75	1,836
Ttl Gross Liv / Lease Area		921	2,697	1,219		159,878



2024 APPLICATION FOR ABATEMENT

Please Type or Print Clearly

ONE APPLICATION FOR EACH PROPERTY APPEALED

Upon completion of this form return to:

City of Laconia/Assessors
45 Beacon St. East
Laconia, NH 03246

RECEIVED

FEB 28 2025

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE
LACONIA, NH

Date: 2-24-2025

SECTION A. Party(ies) Applying (Owner(s)/Taxpayer(s))

Name: Christina + Sean Brasley

Mailing Address: 30 Isabella St. Laconia NH 03246 Email address: ~~CShea~~ cshea229@gmail.com
Telephone No: (Cell): 603-203-1309 (Home): N/A

*If abatement is granted and taxes have been paid, interest on the abatement must be paid in accordance with RSA 76:17-a. Any interest paid to the taxpayer must be reported by the municipality to the Internal Revenue Service, in accordance with federal law. Prior to the payment of an abatement with interest, the taxpayer shall provide the municipality with the applicant's social security number or federal tax identification number. Municipalities shall treat the social security or federal tax identification information as confidential and exempt from a public information request under RSA 91-A. The W-9 form required is enclosed with this application.

SECTION B. Party's (ies') Representative if other than Person(s) applying (Also complete Section A)

Name(s): _____

Mailing Address(es): _____

Telephone Number(s): (Work): _____ (Cell): _____

SECTION C. Property(ies) for which Abatement is Sought

For the property on which the abatement is sought, please fill in the following:

Map: 411 Block: 114 Lot: 48 Tax Account. #: 7003

2024 Assessed Valuation: \$ 224,000

Property Location: 30 Isabella St. Laconia NH 03246

CODE OF THE CITY OF LACONIA
CHAPTER 215, ARTICLE 1 § 215-1

All delinquent taxes, charges or fees due to the City of Laconia from any person, business or other entity shall in all cases be deducted from any monies that may become due such person, business or other entity from the City of Laconia and such person, business or other entity shall receive the balance over and above the amount due for such delinquent taxes, charges and fees. The City's right to off-set shall be limited by applicable New Hampshire law and all such set-offs shall be credited first against interest due and then against principal. The City shall have no right to set-off against wages due any employee of the City.

Passed and approved the 18th day of October 1990.

List other property in the municipality owned in the same name(s), even if abatements for the other property(ies) have not been sought. The taxpayer's entire real property estate must be considered in determining whether the appealed property is disproportionately assessed.

Town Parcel ID#	Street Address	Description	Assessment

SECTION E. Reasons for Abatement Application

RSA 76:16 provides that an abatement may be granted for "good cause shown". "Good cause" generally means: 1) establishing an assessment is disproportionate to market value and the municipality's level of assessment; or 2) establishing poverty and inability to pay the tax. This form can be utilized for either basis of requesting an abatement. **The taxpayer has the burden to prove good cause for an abatement.** To carry this burden, the taxpayer generally must show what the property was worth on April 1 of the year appealed. The property's market value would then be compared to the assessment by using the municipality's assessment ratio. Therefore, comparable sales or other market information are an essential part of most abatement applications.

1) If claiming disproportionality, state with specificity all the reasons supporting your application. Statements such as "taxes too high", "disproportionately assessed" or "assessment exceeds market value" are insufficient. Generally, specificity requires the taxpayer to present material on the following (all may not apply):

a) **Physical data** -- incorrect description or measurement of property (if you are appealing your assessment due to factual error(s), please explain in detail. Please furnish the assessor's office with any and all information, which supports your reasons. Examples: Sketch of building(s) with outside dimensions, building contracts, surveys, deeds, site plans, appraisals, pictures, etc. If you are questioning land area or frontage, a deed or survey must be included.); and/or

b) **Market data** -- the property's value on the April 1 assessment date, supported by comparable sales, income analysis, or a professional opinion of value; and/or

c) **Assessment data** -- the property's assessment exceeds the general level of assessment shown by comparing the property's market value and the city-wide level of assessment.

NOTE: If you have an appraisal or other documentation, please submit it with this application.

2) If claiming poverty or inability to pay, state in detail why abatement of taxes is appropriate as opposed to some other relief such as relocating, refinancing, or obtaining some alternative public assistance. *Ansara v. City of Nashua, 118 N.H. 879 (1978).*

(Attach additional sheets if needed.)

Our property was "disproportionately assessed" as our attic was recorded as finish with fls not. A portion of the attic that was counted is also only accessible through a small crawl space. A portion of the attic is finished it's got exposed insulation and plywood floors.

SECTION F. Taxpayer's(s) Opinion of Market Value

State your opinion of the market value of the property(ies) appealed as of April 1 of the year under appeal.

Map/Block/Lot# 911/114/48	Appeal Year Market Value \$ 195,000
Map/Block/Lot#	Appeal Year Market Value \$

List the properties you are relying upon to show over assessment of your property(ies). If you are appealing an income producing property, list the comparable rental properties and their rents (attach additional sheet if necessary).

Pursuant to BTLA Tax 203.02(d), **the applicant(s) MUST sign the application.** By signing below, the Party(ies) certifies and swear(s) under the penalties of RSA ch. 641, the application has a good faith basis, and the facts stated are true to the best of my/our knowledge.

X
(Signature)

X
(Representative's Signature)

Signature of the Board of Assessors: _____

FILING DEADLINE FOR 2024
LOCAL APPEAL: MARCH 1, 2025
BOARD OF TAX & LAND APPEALS/
SUPERIOR COURT: ON OR BEFORE
SEPTEMBER 1, 2025

CITY OF LACONIA TAXPAYER'S RSA 76:16 ABATEMENT APPLICATION

TAX YEAR 2024

**** PLEASE READ ENTIRE APPLICATION BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM****

Dear Taxpayer:

1. Complete the application by typing or printing legibly in ink. This application does not stay the collection of taxes; taxes should be paid as assessed. If abatement is granted, a refund with interest will be made.
File this application with the municipality by the deadline (see above). Date of filing is the date this form is either hand delivered to the municipality, postmarked by the post office, or received by an overnight delivery service. Applications sent by facsimile or E-mail will not be accepted.
2. DEADLINES: The "notice of tax" means the date the board of tax and land appeals (BTLA) determines the last tax bill was sent by the municipality. (If your municipality bills twice annually, you must apply after the bill that establishes your final tax liability and not before.)

- Step One: Taxpayer must file the abatement application with the municipality by March 1 following the notice of tax.
- Step Two: Municipality has until July 1 following the notice of tax to grant or deny the abatement application.
- Step Three: Taxpayer may file an appeal either at the BTLA (RSA 76:16-a) or in the Superior Court (RSA 76:17), but not both. An appeal must be filed:

1. No earlier than: a) after receiving the municipality's decision on the abatement application; or b) July 1 following the notice of tax if the municipality has not responded to the abatement application; and
2. No later than September 1 following the notice of tax.

FORM COMPLETION GUIDELINES:

1. SECTION E. Municipalities may abate taxes "for good cause shown" RSA 76:16. Good cause is generally established by showing an error in the assessment calculation or a disproportionate assessment. Good cause can also be established by showing poverty and inability to pay the tax.
2. SECTION G. If the abatement application is based on disproportionate assessment, the taxpayer has the burden to show how the assessment was disproportionate. To carry this burden the taxpayer must show: a) what the property was worth (market value) on the assessment date; and b) the property's "equalized assessment" exceeded the property's market value. To calculate the equalized assessment, simply divide the assessment by the municipality's equalization ratio (assessment / ratio). Because a property's market value is a crucial issue, taxpayers must have an opinion of the market value estimate. This value estimate can be shown by obtaining an appraisal or presenting sales of comparable properties.
3. SECTION H. The applicant(s) must sign the application even if a representative (e.g. Tax Representative, Attorney, or other advocate) completes Section I.
4. Make a copy of this document for your own records.