

TOWN OF ORANGE
BOARD OF ABATEMENT MINUTES
August 25, 2025 - 6:00 p.m.

Present: Lister John McNeil, Lister Arthur McNeil, Interim Town Clerk Diane Waters, JP Sue Perreault, Selectperson Kevin Wilson, JP Francis Kidder, Selectperson Kristin Paya, Selectboard Chair Steve Simpson, Treasurer William Crowther

Absent: JP Lee Martenson, JP Tina Otis, Lister Ed Bedard

Steve Simpson called the Board of Abatement hearing to order at 6:04 p.m. The meeting was turned over to Francis Kidder.

On a motion by John McNeil, seconded by Kevin Wilson, Francis Kidder was nominated as Chair. Passed unanimously.

On a motion by Steve Simpson, seconded by Kevin Wilson, the agenda was unanimously approved as printed.

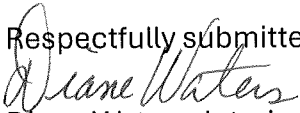
The Oath was read aloud by Chairman Kidder and acknowledged by all BOA members.

Requests for tax abatement:

1. Matt & Collette Smith (PID 012516) – main structure burnt down in July 2025. On a motion by Simpson, seconded by Wilson, the board voted unanimously to abate the entire 2025 taxes of \$6,348.96.
2. Roseanne Carroll (PID 302133) – main structure burnt down in August 2025. On a motion by Wilson, seconded by Simpson, the board voted unanimously to abate the entire 2025 taxes of \$1,599.44.

Public Comment: Chairman Kidder questioned why BCA members were not compensated. Simpson will check with VLCT on the matter.

On a motion by Wilson, seconded by J. McNeil, the board voted unanimously to adjourn the BOA hearing at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Waters, Interim Town Clerk