

Minutes

Board of Assessors

Room 105

Tuesday, April 9, 2024

5:00 PM

The meeting convened at 5:06 PM. Present were Mary Greendale and Stephen Wang. Staff: Kevin Rudden and Sherrie Bates. Jeffrey Marshall, chair, arrived at 5:07 PM.

1. Since the meeting was hybrid, a roll call vote was taken, with all members and staff individually reporting their presence.
2. Stephen Wang made a motion, seconded by Mary Greendale, to approved the regular session minutes and executive session minutes for the April 2, 2024 meeting. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried 3-0-0.
3. Kevin Rudden updated the board on Bee Social/Boston Honey's Chapter 61A status, saying he had reviewed questions with the MA Department of Revenue Division of Local Services' legal counsel. The result of this review is that the 20,000 square feet of land held out from Chapter 61A could be included in Chapter 61A since no building was ever built on that 20,000 square feet.

Owner Andrew Reseska was then asked by staff to submit a letter to the board seeking to amend his Fiscal Year 2025 Chapter 61A application to include the 20,000 square feet, which would put all 5.58 acres of land at 45 Chestnut Street under Chapter 61A.

Mary Greendale made a motion, seconded by Stephen Wang, to amend the FY25 application by including an additional 20,000 square feet. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried 3-0-0. Board members signed and dated Andrew Reseska's letter with their approval. The letter will be placed the Boston Honey Chapter 61A file.

Kevin Rudden said the next steps would be for the board to release the lien on the 5.12 acres and file a new lien on the 5.58 acres. Mary Greendale made a motion to release the old lien and create a new one, seconded by Stephen Wang. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried 3-0-0.

Board members then signed the lien release and the new lien, with that paperwork notarized by Sherrie Bates.

4. The board set April 23, 2024 for its next meeting.
5. Mary Greendale made a motion at 5:15 PM, seconded by Stephen Wang, to enter into an executive session to discuss confidential exemption applications and abatement applications, with the intent to return to public session and adjourn. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried 3-0-0.
6. The board returned to public session at 5:20 PM. Stephen Wang made a motion, seconded by Mary Greendale, to ratify the actions taken during the executive session. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried 3-0-0.

Stephen Wang made a motion at 5:20 PM, seconded by Mary Greendale, to adjourn the meeting. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried 3-0-0.