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## Minutes

### Board of Assessors

Room 105

Tuesday Aug. 24, 2021

5:00 PM

The meeting was convened at 5:05 PM Present were: Peter Barbieri, Mary Greendale, Jeffrey Marshall and staff members Kathryn Peirce, and Kevin Rudden

1) Regular session minutes: A motion was made by Mary Greendale to accept the minutes of 8/10/21. Second by Jeffrey Marshall. Peter Barbieri abstained as he was not at the meeting. Motion carried: 2-0-1

2) Abatement Reports: Exemption report from July for \$6949.01 motion to accept by Mary Greendale, second Peter Barbieri. Motion carried: 3-0-0

3) Valuations: Kathy presented statistics and stratification of sales reports. --Kathy suggested to the Board that the grading for houses that general population of homes that were built in 1930 and prior be adjusted to a "GOOD" grade based on the same concept that a house approaching 100 years old would need to have been built well to be sustained. This recommendation was further based on the observance that many sales in 2020 that were built between 1900 – 1930 when reviewed via MLS appeared better than average grade and comparable to many like homes built prior to 1900 and graded as good.

The Board was hesitant to take this recommendation on a global basis and said that where there was documentation to leave those changed to Good and where there was not to change them back. Of the 196 properties listed 13 on the list had been changed. Kathy will review her supporting documentation and reverse the rest.

--Grade, style, and NBHD tables were presented showing the adjustments in Factors.

The Board asked that NBHD 85 be returned to it's former status and not reduced. Motion made by Mary Greendale to keep NBHD 85 the same as it was; second by Peter Barbieri motion carried. 3-0-0

- 4) Other business: Next week's meeting on August 31 will be held with the Governance Committee to discuss possible by-law changes that may impact the future of the Assessing Department.

The meeting was adjourned at: 5:50 PM

Motion made by Mary Greendale second Jeffrey Marshall Motion carried: 3-0-0