

Property Tax Assessments Ad Hoc Advisory Board
March 6, 2024 5:30 pm

Members: Glenda **Gilbert**, Dan **Humphrey**, Paul **Rogers**, Stacey **Prior**

Absent: Scott **Hansen**, Kevin **Forster**

Others present: Manager Annette **Kreitzer**, Deputy Clerk Kiersten **Long**, Tourism Director Rebecca **Hylton**, Kim **Rosado**, Blythe **Carter**, Jenifer **Canfield**, Lori **Smith**, Katey Emma **Begly**, Debra **Schnabel**

On zoom: Donna Lambert, Brenda Josephson, and others

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of the Agenda

Motion: **Gilbert** moved to “approve the agenda”

Amendment: **Prior** moved to “add committee comment after item 4 public comment” and the motion carried unanimously

And the motion, as amended, carried unanimously

- *3. Minutes of 1-17-24

Absent objection, the corrected minutes of the 1-17-24 meeting was adopted.

4. Public Comment –

Begly – 2023 Property Tax Assessment; Senior exemption

Rosado – We need to protect lower income

Carter – 49 responses on the survey that has been put out. Closing date is around March 21st

- 4b. Board Comments

Prior – Links to the BOE audio on the Borough website are missing.

5. Old Business

- a. Review Ordinances Currently before Assembly

1. Ordinance 24-02-666

Schnabel, Josephson, Carter, Smith spoke towards this ordinance

2. Substitute Ordinance 24-02-666

3. Ordinance 24-02-667

4. Ordinance 24-02-668

- b. Status of proposed BOE rules – not yet introduced by assembly

6. New Business

- a. White Board Priority – Determine what is complete

- b. Determine next White Board Priorities to tackle

- c. Calendar for Property Tax Assessments
- d. Advertising for BOE members

7. Public Comment:

Mayor Morphet – Thank you for your diligence

Carter – Calendar dates, feels like the dates were influence on what happened last year. Why are we field inspecting as the worst time of the year, also the darkest time of year this should be addressed; building codes worried about adopting building codes and having inspector in town we have a poor population as far as how much money is being made, if there are code requirements there wouldn't a lot of people building here because it is expensive, Kelly blue book is for a car you can't apply the same thing to houses, if there was a cookie cutter housing issue but it's not like that here.

Rosado – Bill 29.45.050 Exempting farm structures and farming land, mass appraisal system on houses the same.

Josephson – Senate Bill 161 farm building exemption, building codes in Haines you would take away our housing affordability's; if you have building codes you are going to need and inspector, which will cost a lot; we need continuity with the BOE we need 3 year terms, simple majority to overturn, the appellant needs to come over the burden of proof, another great meeting thank you to the board, advertising for BOE members.

8. Committee Member Comments:

Gilbert – senior exemption form

Adjourned