



TOWN OF BERKLEY MASSACHUSETTS

OFFICE OF THE ASSESSORS
1 NORTH MAIN STREET
BERKLEY, MA 02779

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Board Meeting Minutes: March 21, 2023
10:00 AM Assessors Office, Room 9

Board Members:

Present: George Moitoza, Chairman; Jeanne Russo, Clerk; Mark Pettey Jr, Member

Proceedings:

Meeting called to order at 10:00 am by George Moitoza

Motion to accept minutes of previous meetings (3/14/2023)

Vote unanimous to accept

Act on Warrant/Commitments/Abatements/Exemptions

None

Pay Various Bills

None

Administrative Matters

Town participating in a Municipal Cybersecurity Awareness Training for calendar year 2023. Details to follow

DLS Bulletin regarding FY2024 Budget Issues and Other Related Matters made available for review

MAAO Newsletter for Winter 2023 made available for review

Upcoming MIIA Webinar Tuesday 3/8/2023 @ 10:00am about Civility and Inclusion: Essential Ingredients for the Healthy Workplace to be conducted via webinar

Future MAAO Spring Conference 4/20/2023 from 9:00am – 4:00pm either in person at Wellesley or webinar.

Costs will be determined by Gary

Nearmap webinar to be held on Thursday 3/23/2023 on Turning your GIS Tool into Solution Driven Data @ 12:00pm

Gary presented a Preliminary SWAG Estimate on 107 & 111 Myrick St at the request of Donna Leary of Planning Board. Gary took plans which was only the building shell with NO interior improvements. No Personal Property is accounted for. Based on a cost of \$45.70/sf and a Tax Rate of \$13.22/1000. Total tax was \$227,015.46. Information shared with Donna of Planning Board as well Joe Freitas of Finance Committee and Town Administrator.

Discussion on 118 Bay View Ave regarding cultivation of marijuana on property. BOA will gather more info to better understand the matter

Wendy Cochrane of 520 Berkley St addressed the BOA as a private citizen. She questioned BOA regarding a meeting that was held in BOA office between an assessor and 2 outsiders at the beginning of March. It was determined it was not a BOA meeting. It was decided that it was a private meeting and should not have been held in the BOA office. Only individuals with official assessor business (looking at maps, filling in applications, exemptions, abatements, etc.) should be allowed in office. NO personal visits within the office are allowed.

Data collection in Berkley is on-going

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Executive Session called @10:31 am not returning to open session

BOA reviewed/approved 2 current exemptions that were filed with BOA:

1 type 37 (blind)

1 type 22 (veteran)

Meeting adjourns at 10:35 am

Minutes by: Gary Hoitt