

**Public Minutes of the Board of Assessors
Meeting of October 7, 2021**

A meeting of the Board of Assessors was held in the 3rd-Floor Auditorium at Nashua City Hall, located at 229 Main Street, Nashua, NH 03060. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman Daniel Hansberry

Members Present:

Daniel Hansberry Robert Earley Paul Bergeron

Assessing Staff Present:

Richard Vincent Doug Dame Greg Turgiss Lindsay Monaghan

Other City of Nashua Staff Present:

Administrative Services Director Kimberly Kleiner

Non-City Staff Present

June Perry, Steven Whalen, and Mike Torello of Vision Government Solutions

Chairman Dan Hansberry

I'll call the meeting of the Nashua Board of Assessors to order at 9 AM on Thursday, October 7 2021. Let the record show that present from the Board are Robert Earley, Paul Bergeron, and myself, Daniel Hansberry.

MOTION BY Robert Earley to waive the reading of the public minutes from the Board of Assessors meeting held on September 16, 2021, accept them and place them on file

SECONDED BY Paul Bergeron

VOTE: Motion passed on a voice vote

MOTION BY Robert Earley to waive the reading of the non-public minutes from the Board of Assessors meeting held on September 16, 2021, accept them and place them on file

SECONDED BY Paul Bergeron

VOTE: Motion passed on a voice vote

NEW BUSINESS:

- Chief Assessor Rick Vincent with a department update—Chief Vincent summarized the utility value report provided by George Sansoucy. He noted that these values have dropped since last year due to a change in the formula used to calculate them. Vision Government Solutions experienced some technical difficulties logging onto Zoom, so Mr. Hansberry opted to continue on with the agenda until they were available.
- Greg Turgiss presenting a Land Use Change warrant.

MOTION BY Robert Earley to approve the land use change warrant for Map D, Lot 23

SECONDED BY Paul Bergeron

VOTE: Motion passed on a voice vote

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Greg Turgiss presenting a timber tax warrant – This warrant was originally approved by the Board in March 2021 but was never signed. No vote was required as this warrant was previously approved.

(At this point, Mr. Tarello of Vision Government Solutions spoke and stated that his colleagues June Perry and Steve Whalen could still not log onto the meeting as they had not received the correct Zoom link. In the meantime, Chairman Hansberry opened the floor to public comment.)

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Mrs. Laurie Ortolano of 41 Berkeley Street spoke and expressed concerns regarding the ongoing revaluation and how it will impact residential vs. commercial taxpayers.

NEW BUSINESS:

- June Perry of Vision Government Solutions provided an update on the revaluation project. She noted that data collection (measuring and listing) in Ward 9 should be complete by the end of November, while interior inspections should be complete by April 2022. Chairman Hansberry asked how the entry rate for interior inspections compared to historical norms. Ms. Perry said that entry is lower than normal, but this is to be expected due to the pandemic.
- Administrative Services Director Kimberly Kleiner thanked Vision and reiterated the city's commitment to transparency throughout the revaluation process. She emphasized that Mayor Donchess has not communicated directly with Vision, but has been provided periodic updates on the project by City staff.

Chairman Daniel Hansberry

Is there a motion to go into non-public session for two reasons, first to discuss matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of this board, unless such person requests an open meeting? This exemption shall extend to include any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant, pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II(c). Second, under 91-A: 3, II (L), for the "consideration of legal advice provided by legal counsel, either in writing or orally, to one or more members of the public body, even where legal counsel is not present."

MOTION BY Robert Earley to enter non-public session

SECONDED BY Paul Bergeron

VOTE:

Mr. Earley-Yes

Mr. Bergeron- Yes

Mr. Hansberry- Yes

(The Board entered non-public session at 9:26 AM)

(The Board resumed public session at 10:00 AM)

Chairman Dan Hansberry

Is there a motion to seal the minutes of the non-public session because divulgence of the information likely would 1) affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this public body, and 2) render the proposed action ineffective?

MOTION BY Robert Earley to seal the non-public minutes.

SECONDED BY Paul Bergeron

VOTE:

Mr. Earley-Yes

Mr. Bergeron-Yes

Mr. Hansberry-Yes

MOTION BY Robert Earley to adjourn.

SECONDED BY Paul Bergeron

VOTE: Motion passed on a voice vote.

The Board adjourned at 10:01 AM.

Transcribed by:

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