

Somersworth Board of Assessors

April 1, 2014

Minutes

Present: James Cowan, Patricia LeHoullier, Philip Munck, City Assessor Marybeth Walker (ex-officio)

Also Present: City Manager Robert Belmore, Planning and Development Director David Sharples

The meeting came to order at 1 p.m.

The Board approved the minutes of the meeting of July 16, 2012.

Ms. Walker reviewed the work required for the fifth year revaluation required by state law. She presented proposed contracts with Corcoran Consulting Associates, Inc., for continuation of regular assessing functions and for revaluation to be completed in the 2014-15 tax year. The contracts and the revaluation process were discussed. Mr. Cowan ask about the impact of the revaluation contract on the tax cap. Mr. Belmore said is would add about \$30,000 to the Fiscal Year 2015 Budget which would have negligible impact on the \$11 million General Fund budget.

The Board observed that the assessing process seems to be working well. Ms. Walker said that there were a total of 44 abatement requests filed for the prior year and 23 requests for the tax year just ended so far.

With no further business to come before it, the Board adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Philip Munck, Clerk