

**Town of Lincoln**  
**Board of Assessors Virtual Meeting Minutes**  
**May 10, 2021**

**Virtual Meeting pursuant to Governor Baker's order of March 12, 2020**  
**Zoom Meeting ID 871 3497 0703**

Members Present Virtually: Ellen Meadors, Chair, Edward Morgan, Laura Sander  
Staff Present Virtually: Harald Scheid, Dorothy Blakeley

The Board virtually approved:

- BOA Minutes of April 5, 2021
- Schedule of Bills Payable for May 2021
- April MVE Report
  
- ✓ Harald updated the Board on the ongoing valuation of affordable properties. Harald has been working with the Regional Housing Services Office (RHSO), based in Acton, and who service 5 or 6 surrounding communities. The RHSO prepared a spreadsheet on the affordable housing values, previously distributed to the Board, and another one will be forthcoming in the next few months. Harald noted that there are currently 3 different types of deed riders, and we hope to conform to one standard deed rider sometime in the future to eliminate confusion.
  
- ✓ The Board and Harald discussed the 504 (Public Utilities) valuation template. The Department of Revenue (DOR) is now requiring all assessors have input in valuing public utilities, formerly handled solely by the DOR. This will bring into account depreciation of many assets, over many years and require substantial time and effort for the communities involved. Harald is working on a valuation template.
  
- ✓ Harald informed the Board that we are working on the open building permits and hope to get all new construction valued by mid-summer.
  
- ✓ The Board voted to go into executive session to review one deferral and one personal property abatement request. The Board then voted to return to regular session.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 am.

The next meeting date is set for June 14, 2021

These minutes were approved on June 14, 2021

Ellen B. Meadors

Ellen Meadors, Chair