

City of Greenfield
Assessor's Meeting
May 17, 2021

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9:00am

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 9:04 am by Chair Joseph Ruggeri.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS: Chair Joseph Ruggeri, Chief Assessor Kimberly Mew, Administrative Clerk Sandra Gradoia.

GUESTS: Bob Williford and Jim Geisman

Chair Ruggeri tabled the May 12, 2021 meeting minutes, to be read at next meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public comment was opened by Chair Ruggeri at 9:05 am

Chair Ruggeri inquired if anyone from the public would like to speak, they must sign in with their name and address.

Chair Ruggeri stated we have the presentation of the budget to discuss.

Mrs. Mew stated that she emailed a list of items and information to the Board that was put together by Liz.

Mrs. Mew explained that the Council has concern about consistency and the quality of work from RRG.

Chair Ruggeri inquired if we were defending the budget or RRG.

Mrs. Mew stated that we are defending both. RRG right now is in 31 communities in Massachusetts.

Chair Ruggeri inquired if we have a budget for a full time staff compared to RRG.

Mrs. Mew stated that Liz was getting those numbers. Also if we lose RRG we will be losing resources that RRG provides such as commercial/industrial, personal property, chapter land, solar, etc... Especially in a revaluation year without RRG tax rates won't be set and the tax bills won't go out on time.

Chair Ruggeri mentioned we should get numbers for the budget from previous years.

Clerk Dee Letourneau entered the meeting at 9:35 am.

Chair Ruggeri inquired about budgets from other towns that are similar to ours and do we fall in line with those budgets.

Mrs. Mew mentioned that consistency is a huge factor and we have been consistent with RRG.

Chair Ruggeri stated where we are and where we are going outsourcing is the most effective way.

Bill Williford and Jim Geisman left the meeting at 10:29 am

MOTION: On a motion by Chair Ruggeri, second by Clerk Letourneau, it was unanimously;

VOTED: TO CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT AT 10:30 AM

Next scheduled meeting is for May 26th, 2021

MOTION: On a motion by Clerk Letourneau, second by Chair Ruggeri, it was unanimously;

VOTED: TO ADJOURN AT 10:31 AM

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Gradoia
Administrative Clerk
Greenfield Assessors
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