Town of Pomfret

Board of Listers Meeting Minutes

April 29, 2020 at 11:00am

Present: Becky Fielder, Norm Buchanan, Neil Lamson

Guests: none

The meeting was called to order at 11:04am.

The first item on the agenda was to analyze the list of properties with active or completed zoning permits. The listers are unable to enter private homes at this time, so the decision was made to contact those with interior renovations or new builds to discuss completion without a physical visit. All other properties with exterior or square footage changes would be visited and measured from the outside only. Work on inputting recent sales into ProVal will be completed by May 1; the NEMRC transfers have already been completed.

Next on the agenda was the discussion of requesting an extension of our Grand List filing to August 15, 2020 as laid out in 32 VSA § 4342. The listers all feel confident that we can adhere to our June 4th filing date and will not need the extension. We will hold on to the extension letter in case circumstances change in the coming weeks, and if necessary, will file the request with the Selectboard and PVR.

The final order of business was to set dates for mailing Change of Appraisal letters and the 2020 Grievance Hearings. It was determined that this year the letters need to be produced and mailed by May 4th. After some discussion, the board selected Tuesday May 26th from 10am-4pm by appointment only (limited in-person or by video conference). As we are unable to enter residences, we will be requiring extensive photographic evidence be presented or video footage of conditions, unless health and safety advice from the Governor's office changes. Becky will warn the Grievance Hearings and begin making appointments the week of May 11th. All letters of intent to grieve must be received by Friday May 22nd at 2:30pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55am.

Becky Fielder

Norm Buchanan

Neil Lamson