Town of Bedford, Board of Assessors
Date: September 30, 2015
Bedford Town Hall

Call To Order: 7:10PM
Roll Call: Ron Cordes, Chair; Bruce Murphy, Clerk;; Alan Ferguson, Associate Assessor
Guests: None
Discussion:

1. Move to accept the minutes of the meeting of August 26, 2015. Moved by Ron Cordes; seconded by Bruce Murphy; vote 2-0-0.
2. Chairmen Cordes reported that the bill sponsored by the Bedford delegation in the Massachusetts Legislature to change interest earned on ATP appeals from 8% to a rate associated with an annually adjusted rate has been filed and accepted.
3. Alan Fergusson briefed he Board on Telecommunications topics
    a. The Department of Revenue is recommending the elimination of the practice of Centrally Valuing telecommunications and passing the responsibility back to the Cities and Towns
    b. There is a possibility that some of the smaller Telecommunications ATB cases will be settling soon.
4. Alan Ferguson briefed the Board on the activities to establish values for the upcoming certification process – New growth is approximately $30 Million of which $24 Million is residential.
5. Alan Ferguson briefed the Board on activities related to ATB cases
    a. The initial appraiser candidate for 447 Concord Road set her fee at $10,000. Alan Ferguson is pursuing another candidate he has identified as he believes this is too high a fee. Consensus of the Board is in agreement
    b. The appeal for 55 Loomis Street has been heard by the ATB and we are awaiting a decision.
6. Moved to adjourn: Moved by Bruce Murphy, seconded by Ron Cordes; Vote: 2-0-0

Adjournment: 7:50 PM

Respectfully Submitted

Robert Bruce Murphy, Clerk
Approved by Board: 10/28/15