



VISION 2020 FISCAL RESOURCES TASK GROUP  
Meeting Minutes 7:30 PM 12/17/15  
Senior Center First Floor Conference Room

ATTENDEES: Gordon Jamieson (Co-Chair), David Garbarino (Co-Chair), Brian Hasbrouck, Heather Remoff, Pete Howard (Secretary)

OPEB FUND/CRB MEMBERSHIP: Gordon reviewed the membership and responsibility of the Contributory Retirement Board (CRB). Teachers are not part of the Town's retirement plan. They do, however, participate in the Town's post retirement health insurance plan. Eventually, this plan will be funded by OPEB to which the Town makes a modest annual appropriation. The CRB manages this fund but the teachers are not represented. After some discussion, the group again agreed that a letter is desirable (or perhaps we will raise this issue with the Comptroller when we meet with him in 2016).

TRASH COLLECTION FOR NON-PROFITS: Gordon discussed this with the Town Counsel, Doug Heim. Doug said he would look into it. Pete expressed concern with this initiative. After some discussion, Gordon said he would clarify his request to Heim to emphasize the desirability of providing uniform service to all buildings (Done). Gordon also asked Doug to look into enforcing the commercial PAYT program. As things stand, only if trash not collected for any reason (including containing recyclable material) and left on the curb overnight, is a bylaw violated. It then falls to the Health Department to enforce the bylaw. This does not work. Doug said he would look into this too.

ANNUAL BoS TAX RATE HEARING: Gordon and Brian attended. Gordon reported that the BoA report was more complete than in some previous years (Ref 2). Gordon and Brian felt that FRTG's involvement has had a positive effect.

COMMERCIAL ASSESSMENTS: The FRTG wondered what effect the commercial reassessment had. Brian had selected 46 commercial properties and listed their 2015 and 2016 assessments. Pete plotted the % increase (Ref 1). For this sample, the increases were mostly between 5% and 10%. Brian thinks this sample is too small to be conclusive. He will try to get the total numbers for this type of property for 2015 and 2016, perhaps from the BoA report to BoS or from the DOR.

FRTG GOALS: Not discussed due to lack of time.

Winter 2016 V2020 Library Display: FRTG asked to provide something short/inviting for display.

MTG W/ NEW COMPTROLLER: Gordon said the comptroller made a good report (Ref 3) to the BoS in November. FRTG to invite him to a meeting in early 2016 (Jan/Feb).

COMMITTEE REGULARIZATION: Gordon also discussed this topic with Doug Heim. Heim will determine whether the Long Range Planning Committee needs to post minutes to conform with the open meeting law. The letter discussed at the last meeting will not be needed.

FINCOM & CPC MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL: Not discussed due to time.

NEXT MEETING: Jan 21 - Meetings monthly - 3rd Thursdays 7:30 PM - Usually in Senior Center

Ref 1 46 Commercial Assessment Increases 2015-2016

Ref 2 <http://arlington.novusagenda.com/agendapublic/DisplayAgendaPDF.ashx?MeetingID=254>

Ref 3 <http://arlington.novusagenda.com/agendapublic/DisplayAgendaPDF.ashx?MeetingID=250>

	2015	2016	percent diff	notes
	address			
50L Sherborn	326,900	354,100	7.68%	cnd
35L Orvis	348,400	376,800	7.54%	cnd
89 Fairmont	371,500	376,500	1.33%	sng
22 Wellesly	398,600	428,400	6.96%	sng
35 ronald	408,500	459,900	11.18%	sng
48 Kilsythe	420,200	447,300	6.06%	sng
155 Wright	427,900	457,100	6.39%	sng
310 Forest	437,900	520,100	15.80%	sng
82 rhinediff	462,800	504,400	8.25%	sng
239 Sylvia	464,000	485,600	4.45%	sng
10 lawrence	469,600	521,900	10.02%	sng
41 Grandview	478,900	505,500	5.26%	sng
24 Bonad	485,100	502,800	3.48%	sng
377 appleton st.	490,900	522,200	5.99%	sng
46 Sherborn	510,900	547,500	6.68%	2fm
31 Kimball	513,700	554,600	7.37%	sng
25 Robin Hood	521,900	552,600	5.56%	sng
887 mass	523,900	572,600	8.51%	old gas stn
14-16 appleton pl	541,800	629,500	13.93%	2fm
39-41 Hilton	545,700	601,200	9.23%	2fm
8-B moulton	551,300	628,800	12.05%	2fm
129 newport	569,700	596,400	4.48%	sng
56 Fairmont	572,300	616,000	7.09%	3fm
50-52 Waldo	572,300	612,300	6.53%	2fm
45 Grandview	585,100	602,900	2.95%	sng
24 Woodland	595,400	673,300	11.57%	sng
28 Grandview	610,900	628,200	2.75%	sng
8 Fox Meadow	620,400	680,700	8.86%	sng
27 russell Pl	621,900	648,800	4.15%	cnd
20 Robin Hood	629,500	675,200	6.77%	sng
40 Orvis	661,600	707,200	6.45%	2fam
23-25 Pondview	674,300	718,500	6.15%	2fm
25 Kimball	696,600	753,400	7.54%	sng
111 broadway	702,000	721,800	2.74%	lyons
1234 Mass	726,800	793,900	8.45%	fst fd
31 Bonad	755,400	797,500	5.28%	sng
93 broadway	796,200	868,300	8.30%	anderson
7 Frost	998,800	1,123,300	11.08%	sng
1298 Mass	1,027,000	1,163,300	11.72%	Ace Hdwr
11 brattle	1,807,500	2,088,700	13.46%	multi
100 broadway	2,169,300	2,506,300	13.45%	multi
276 Mass	7,850,000	8,993,400	12.71%	multi
231 mass	7,986,100	8,955,100	10.82%	multi
17 Mill	16,470,300	18,190,700	9.46%	multi
30 Mill	29,250,400	37,855,300	22.73%	multi
39 Hospital	74,954,600	63,293,400	-18.42%	multi

log(2015 Assessment) % increase 2014 to 2015

5.514414921	7.68%
5.542078146	7.54%
5.569958818	1.33%
5.600537294	6.96%
5.61192061	11.18%
5.623456048	6.06%
5.631342286	6.39%
5.641374945	15.80%
5.66539335	8.25%
5.666517981	4.45%
5.671728088	10.02%
5.680244837	5.26%
5.685831275	3.48%
5.690993032	5.99%
5.708335903	6.68%
5.710709566	7.37%
5.717587297	5.56%
5.719248398	8.51%
5.733839001	13.93%
5.736953954	9.23%
5.741387992	12.05%
5.755646219	4.48%
5.757623746	7.09%
5.757623746	6.53%
5.767230098	2.95%
5.77480883	11.57%
5.785970125	2.75%
5.792671789	8.86%
5.793720557	4.15%
5.798995734	6.77%
5.820595497	6.45%
5.82885316	6.15%
5.84298347	7.54%
5.846337112	2.74%
5.861414919	8.45%
5.87817698	5.28%
5.901022173	8.30%
5.999478534	11.08%
6.01570444	11.72%
6.257078306	13.46%
6.336319616	13.45%
6.894869657	12.71%
6.902334744	10.82%
7.21670151	9.46%
7.466131809	22.73%
7.874798291	-18.42%

