



ENVISION ARLINGTON FISCAL RESOURCES TASK GROUP  
Meeting Minutes  
7:30 PM 9/16/21

On Line via Zoom

ATTENDEES: Gordon Jamieson (Co-Chair), David Garborino Co-Chair), Jonathan Haughton, Heather Remoff, Janet Pagliuca, Select Board Member Len Diggins, Pete Howard (Secretary)

1. Len said there was no need to review the open meeting guidelines
2. Gordon has contacted the Comptroller and Treasurer and invited them to a meeting sometime this fall.
3. Gordon announced that the Director of Inspections has been replaced by a temporary hire who had been an assessor. Also there is a new assessor to replace one who died. Gordon had considered applying for this position.
4. There was a general discussion of the new growth report. Gordon wants to end it with action items for the Town. Others suggested a description of the potential for new growth. We noted that those that buy fixer uppers should be able to pay tax increases as should those who make large improvements. This is a matter of equity. The process followed by the inspectors & assessors to new growth should be laid out.
5. The Primer may need to be again updated if the Town Clerk becomes appointed rather than elected. Gordon to circulate the current version (or maybe a link to it) to review for possible changes.
6. An explanation of the Town's plans for spending the \$34m ARP money might be useful. Pete will write an outline for comment.