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DATE: June 25, 2021 TIME: 8:54 AM May 13, 2021

The Board of Assessors met at 7:45 a.m. Mr. Reardon, Mr. Laverty and Mr. Clark were present.

The Board opened the meeting to public participation for questions. There were no questions.

The Board invited Mr. Floyd Carmen, Town Treasurer and Collector, to discuss the current collections for Fiscal Year 2021. Mr. Carmen compared tax lien filings between Fiscal Year 2020 and 2021 which are up 40%. Collection on the tax bills have shown approximately 550 accounts with an outstanding collection balance of approximately \$2,300,000 as compared to \$520,000 last year at this time.

Based on this conversation the Board will continue to work with Mr. Carmen to monitor collections. With this level of uncollected taxes the Board discussed whether or not it would be able to release a portion of the overlay which is done on an annual basis after a review of collections and liabilities. The Board asked that the Select Board be notified that the release may not occur Fiscal Year 2021 based on this discussion.

The Board has asked Mr. Carmen to join a late June meeting to further review the state of collections in Belmont to make a final decision regarding a release of overlay reserves.

The minutes of the previous session were read. On motion by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Reardon, passed unanimously, the minutes were accepted as read.

The following bills/vouchers were ordered paid:

Crystal Rock (water & delivery)	dated 05/01/2021
Staples (various office supplies)	dated 04/24/2021
Staples (office supplies)	dated 05/01/2021
NEREJ (subscription renewal)	dated 04/30/2021
Staples (office supplies)	dated 05/01/202

The Board signed the Invoice Report dated 05/13/2021 for 4 invoices amounting to \$741.08.

The weekly list(s) of taxes exempted or abated was (were) signed: 4/30/2021 and 5/7/2021.

On motion by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Reardon, passed unanimously, the Board came out of executive session at 9:00 a.m. On motion by Mr. Laverty, seconded by Mr. Reardon, passed unanimously, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

The Board voted to hold the next meetings on Thursday, June 3rd, 2021 at 7:45 AM.

Charles Clark Secretary