

## MINUTES OF BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

The Board of Assessment Appeals held a meeting in Room 201 of the Westport Town Hall on Tuesday, January 27, 2026

Members present were: Joseph Sledge, Lynette Pineda, Ifeseyi Gayle and Thomas Bloch

The meeting was called to order by Joseph Sledge, at 11:35 a.m.

Discussion:

- Paul Friia, Assessor, gave an overview of the revaluation and grand list
- Alternate BAA members – Lynette reached out to one resident that was not interested. Search will continue
- All members available to attend training session on February 18<sup>th</sup>
- Hearings will be held throughout March
- Members discussed the past practice of not hearing commercial appeals with an assessment over \$1,000,000
  - Motion was made by Joseph Sledge to continue the practice of not hearing commercial appeals over \$1,000,000
  - Seconded by Ifeseyi Gayle
  - Passed unanimously
- As in past practice, BAA requests Town Inspector to conduct inspections prior to hearings
- Lynette Pineda nominated Joseph Sledge as this year's Chair
  - Seconded by Thomas Bloch
  - Passed unanimously

Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn @ 12:35 pm by Joseph Sledge

Seconded by Lynette Pineda

Passed unanimously

Respectfully submitted:

Joseph Sledge