**CITY OF VERNDALE**

**WADENA COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

**BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday April 5, 2022**

**3:00 p.m.**

**Verndale City Office**

**101 Brown St. SW**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jim Runyan, Ardith Carr, Tara Erckenbrack

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Daryl Jacobson, Tony Stanley

**STAFF PRESENT:** Melissa Current, City Clerk/Treasurer

**VISITORS PRESENT:** Lee Brekke, County Assessor; Rhonda Nelson, Brad Brejcha

The meeting was opened by Mayor Erckenbrack.

Brejcha asked why he’s paying over $400.00 in taxes on a piece of property that is valued at $200.00. Brekke stated that this is because of City Assessments so it has nothing to do with the value of the property. Brejcha stated that he didn’t understand why he was being assessed on two parcels of his property. Erckenbrack stated that the assessments were based on front footage of each parcel. Brejcha stated only one of the parcels has front footage as the other parcel only has access through the first parcel. Erckenbrack stated that this would be brought up at the next Council meeting.

Carr asked how one parcel was being taxed as she was aware of a business being run out of it. Brekke stated that right now it is Residential but the Council could change it to Commercial for the portion being used for business. There was discussion about having standards for taxing businesses being run out of homes. The zoning ordinance was brought up as a place to start with making sure that every business has the permits they need.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:03 pm.

**Submitted by: Attest:**

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Melissa Current, City Clerk/Treasurer Tara Erckenbrack, Mayor