

**BEMIDJI CITY COUNCIL  
BOARD OF REVIEW  
May 7, 2013**

Pursuant to due call and published notice, the Board of Review of the City of Bemidji met at City Hall at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 7, 2013, for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the assessment of properties within city limits of the City of Bemidji for the year of 2013. Chair Rita Albrecht called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Upon roll call, the following Board Members were declared present: Albrecht, Meehlhause, Hellquist, Johnson, Erickson, Olson (arrived at 5:13 p.m.) Absent: Thompson

Others present: Joe Skerik, Debbie Tuck – Beltrami County Assessor's Office  
City Clerk Kay Murphy

**PRESENTATION BY ASSESSOR**

Chief Deputy County Assessor Joe Skerik provided a brief overview of the system used to establish the Estimated Market Value throughout the City. He stated that property values for most taxpayers in Bemidji have seen a stable level valuation period. Annually, the Assessor's office reviews sales in different neighborhoods to determine if there are any adjustments required to keep equity among properties. He noted that there were 135 sales residential with a ratio of 99.3%, there were 3 apartment sales with a ratio of 103.6% and 10 commercial sales with a ratio of 87.5%. He stated that the commercial sales ratio was on the low side and he will be doing more work on commercial properties this year. The Department of Revenue monitors all sales and the ratio range by them is 90% to 105%.

Board members discussed the recently annexed properties. Skerik noted that the property taxes were lower on the annexed property.

**THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY OWNER APPEARED:**

No one appeared.

**OTHER ADJUSTMENTS**

No adjustments were required.

**ADJOURN**

Motion by Hellquist, seconded by Meehlhause, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kay M. Murphy  
City Clerk