

MINUTES

Spalding County Board of Tax Assessors – Regular Session Tax

June 9, 2020 – 9:00AM

119 E Solomon St, Room 108, Griffin, GA 30223

A. CALL TO ORDER

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONES AND ALL OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES

The Spalding county Board of Tax Assessors Regular Scheduled Meeting was held on June 9, 2020 at 9:00AM in the Courthouse Annex, Room 108. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Johnie McDaniel, with Vice-Chairman Dick Morrow and Board Member Brad Wideman attending. Others present Chief Appraiser Jerry Johnson, Deputy Chief Robby Williams, Personal Property Appraiser Rebekah Skelton and Board Secretary Betsy Bernier.

B. CITIZENS COMMENT

Speakers must sign up prior to the meeting and provide their names, addresses and the topic they wish to discuss. Speakers must direct your remarks to the Board and not to individual Member or to the audience. Personal disagreements with individual Members or County employees are not a matter of public concern and personal attacks will not be tolerated. The Chairman has the right to limit your comments in the interest of disposing of the County's business in an efficient and respectable manner.

Speakers will be allotted three (3) minutes to speak on their chosen topics as they relate to matters pertinent to the jurisdiction of the Board of Tax Assessors. No questions will be asked by any of the members during citizen comments. Outbursts from the audience will not be tolerated. Common courtesy and civility are expected at all times during the meeting. No speaker will be permitted to speak more than three (3) minutes or more than once, unless the Board votes to suspend this rule.

None

C. MINUTES

1. Review and approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from the May 5, 2020 Board of Assessors meeting.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Morrow to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of the May 5, 2020 meeting, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.

D. OLD BUSINESS

1. Review and lift from the table Freeport Item 11 from the May 5, 2020 Board of Assessors meeting.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Morrow to lift Freeport Item 11 from the table to be voted on in New Business Item 6 of this Agenda, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.

E. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Review and approve 2020 application for S5 Disabled Veteran Homestead Exemption for the following parcel:

ANDERSON, DENNIS N & SUE M
312-0001-099

2. Review and approve 2020 S5 Disabled Veteran Homestead Exemption for the following parcel:

ANDERBERG, WILLIAM DAVID
264-01-036

3. Review and approve 2020 S5 Disabled Veteran Homestead Exemption for the following parcel:

PEAVY, EDDIE J
116B-01-006

4. Review and approve new application for Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcel:

BROOKS, JOHN M
243-03-001A, 49.70 ACRES

5. Review and approve continuation application for Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcel:

ESTATE OF WILBUR J WHITLOCK
281-01-008A, 42.25 ACRES

6. Review and approve new application for Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcel:

BUNN, JODI ALLEN ET AL
214-01-008C, 20.00 ACRES

7. Review and approve new application for Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcel:

MCCLENDON, FREDERIC TODD & PAULA C

279-02-024, 21.36 ACRES

8. Review and approve renewal application for Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcel:

SMITH, LUTHER LAMAR & MARY JEAN
222-01-005A, 23.71 ACRES

9. Review and approve release of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcels:

THOMPSON, RACHEL
282-01-006E, 282-01-006C

10. Review and approve release of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcels:

THOMPSON, DONALD H & RACHEL L
279-02-055

11. Review and approve release of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcels:

CHASE, MICHAEL E
260-02-002H

12. Review and approve release of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcels:

CARSMITH FAMILY
280-01-017

13. Review and approve release of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcels:

FRITZ, MARK A & JULIE L
209-01-014C

14. Review and approve release of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcels:

FENLEY, STEVEN & KRISTI
261-01-060

15. Review and approve release of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcels:

LINDSEY, ANITA
217-01-028B

16. Review and approve release of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcels:

COOK, JOAN A
256-01-012, 256-01-014, 256-01-015A

17. Review and approve release of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the

following parcels:

CRUSE, CHARLES R & LYNETTE R
212-01-003A

18. Review and approve release of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcels:

BROWN, VIRGINIA J & THOMAS W SR
221-02-002

19. Review and approve release of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcels:

WERT, ROGER A & NITALE R
270-01-023B

20. Review and approve release of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcels:

WASHINGTON, NETTIE C
264-01-001

21. Review and approve release of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcels:

THIGPEN, TERRI L & MICHAEL SEBREN
279-01-011D

22. Review and approve release of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcels:

SMITH, DAVID A & CHRISTIE A
224-01-018E

23. Review and approve release of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcels:

RAYL, MELISSA
204-01-010P, 204-01-010C

24. Review and approve release of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcel:

PAYTON, LARRY D & SHERA LYNN
239-03-015C

25. Review and approve release of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcel:

MCBROOM, KATE M
231-01-002L

26. Review and approve release of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcel:

LASTER, VIRGINIA MANER

260-01-003

Motion by Vice-Chairman Morrow to approve Consent Agenda Items 1 –26, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Review and approve continuation application for Conservation Use Valuation

Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcel:

KONAS, JAMES CLAYTON & REBECCA LYNN

267-01-024A, 6.85 ACRES (CONTIGUOUS WITH PARCEL 267-01-024C, 23.32 ACRES)

Warranty Deed was corrected making the parcel contiguous with 267-01-024C.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Morrow to approve continuation application, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.

2. Review and approve continuation application for Conservation Use Valuation

Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcel:

WISE, CARL D & GINA

276-01-005K

Warranty Deed was corrected making the parcel contiguous with 276-01-005B.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Morrow to approve continuation application, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.

3. Review and approve continuation application for Conservation Use Valuation

Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcel:

GRANT, SUSAN W

272-01-015, 1.37 ACRES (CONTIGUOUS WITH PIKE COUNTY LAND IN CONSERVATION USE COVENANT)

Motion by Vice-Chairman Morrow to approve continuation application, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.

4. Review and consider potential breach of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment

(CUVA) for the following parcel:

THE ESTATE OF FRED E CRANE

274-01-001V

Board Secretary Betsy Bernier stated the Assessor's office sent multiple mailings in order to contact the owner of the potential breach with no response from the owner.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Morrow to moving forward with the potential breach, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.

5. Review and consider potential breach of Conservation Use Valuation Assessment (CUVA) for the following parcel:

STANSELL, HAROLD & BARBARA
261-01-031D

Motion by Vice-Chairman Morrow to moving forward with the potential breach, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.

6. Review, amend and approve 2020 Freeport list.

Personal Property Appraiser Rebekah Skelton spoke to the Board about the nature of Freeport and reviewed accounts that are qualified and denied for Freeport exemption. The Board reviewed the amended list for approval.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Morrow to approve the list as presented, motion seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.

7. Review the list of Tax Assessors records to be destroyed by ShredX Corporation.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Morrow to approve the list of documents to be discarded, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.

8. Review list of Digest books to be archived.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Morrow to approve the list Digest books to be archived, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.

9. Review and consider updating the current Policy on Motor Vehicle value appeals.

Discussion on the policy recommending to change the Motor Vehicle appeals process to more closely follow Georgia law and procedures per O.C.G.A. 48-5-450.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Morrow to approve the policy on Motor Vehicle appeals, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.

G. CHIEF APPRAISER'S REPORT

1. Update on resolved commercial appeals by GMASS.

Chief Appraiser Johnson discussed a report summary of resolved appeals by contractor GMASS.

2. GIS reports have been emailed to the Georgia Department of Revenue.

Chief Appraiser Johnson informed the Board of the GIS updated data layer had been sent to the Georgia Department of Revenue.

3. Motor vehicle training scheduled for June 11, 2020.

Chief Appraiser Johnson informed the Board that Deputy Chief Robby Williams will be offering training for staff on the new policy.

4. 2020 appeals update.

Chief Appraiser Johnson updated the Board on 2020 appeals.

5. Update on Board of Assessors eligibility.

Chief Appraiser Johnson updated the Board on each member's eligibility status and that all Board members are current in requirements.

Chief Appraiser Johnson discussed the final Sales Ratios for Residential, Agricultural, Commercial and Industrial properties.

Chief Appraiser Johnson discussed the deadline for Agenda item submission.

H. ASSESSORS COMMENTS

Chairman McDaniel and Vice-Chairman Morrow were complementary of the appraisal staff and their work.

I. CLOSED SESSION

None

J. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Vice-Chairman Morrow to adjourn at 9:58AM, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.