# MINUTES Spalding County Board of Tax Assessors – Regular Session Tax November 10, 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 November 10, 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 attending. Others present include Chief Appraiser Jerry Johnson, 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 the Regular Meeting Minutes from the October 13, 2020 Board of Assessors meeting.

Motion by Vice Chairman Morrow to approve the Minutes from October 13, 2020, motion was seconded by Chairman McDaniel and carried unanimously 2-0.

#### **D. OLD BUSINESS**

None

#### **E. CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Review 2021 application for S5 Disabled Veteran Homestead Exemption for the following parcel: MULLINS, PAUL SR 143C-01-071

2. Review 2020 application for S5 Disabled Veteran Homestead Exemption for the following parcel: NEAL JR, TOM MAX & PATRICIA RAMEY-NEAL 230A-01-048

3. Review 2021 application for S5 Disabled Veteran Homestead Exemption for the following parcel: HUNTER, LARRY G SR & SHARON LYNETTE HUNTER 313-01-038

Motion by Vice Chairman Morrow to approve items 1-3 on Consent Agenda, motion was seconded by Chairman McDaniel and carried unanimously 2-0.

#### F. NEW BUSINESS

#### 1. Review contract for professional services provided by Mendola Consultants LLC.

Motion by Vice Chairman Morrow to approve the contract as submitted, motion was seconded by Chairman McDaniel and carried unanimously 2-0.

#### 2. Review request to audit Personal Property account 4922.

General discussion. No action taken

#### 3. Review 2021 calendar of Board of Assessors meeting dates.

Motion by Vice Chairman Morrow to approve the 2021 Board of Assessor's calendar as submitted, motion was seconded by Chairman McDaniel and carried unanimously 2-0.

Board member Brad Wideman joined the meeting at 9:20AM

#### G. CHIEF APPRAISER'S REPORT

#### 1. Public Utility Notices of Assessment were mailed October 15, 2020.

Chief Appraiser Johnson informed the board of the Utility Company Notices being mailed.

#### 2. 2020 Digest approval by the Georgia Department of Revenue.

The 2020 Digest was approved by the Georgia Department of Revenue. Discussion on a requirement by the Georgia Department of Revenue to change a certain code in the CAMA system.

#### 3. Letters have been mailed for active appeals to inform of the additional 180 days.

Explanation regarding notification of additional days as required for appeals in process.

## 4. Tables for NADA, ABOS, and Marshall & Swift have been updated.

Chief Appraiser Johnson informed the board of the updated cost tables.

#### 5. Review nondisclosure of public information.

Discussion on the county attorney's legal opinion of nondisclosure of public information and the need to provide a written policy for the board's approval.

#### 6. Review dates of upcoming Board of Equalization hearings.

Chief Appraiser Johnson stated the previously cancelled hearings are scheduled, as well as an additional day in December.

#### 7. Reappraisal of manufactured houses is being completed.

Discussion on the number of prebill manufactured houses that were field reviewed. Reappraisal and field reviews are complete.

# 8. Wal Mart appeals update.

The appeals have been settled.

#### 9. Board update on continuing education

The board members will receive this year's continuing education hours at the upcoming CAVEAT conference.

#### 10. 2020 appeals update.

The status and number of 2020 appeals were discussed.

# H. ASSESSORS COMMENTS

*The Chairman and Vice Chairman commended the Chief Appraiser and staff. CAVEAT conference was confirmed to be held at the end of the month.* 

# I. CLOSED SESSION

None

# J. ADJOURMENT

Motion by Vice Chairman Morrow to adjourn at 9:49AM, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.