# MINUTES Spalding County Board of Tax Assessors – Regular Session Tax June 14, 2022 – 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 14, 2022, 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 Member Brad Wideman attending. Others present include Chief Appraiser Jerry Johnson, Deputy Chief Appraiser 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. Consider the approval of the Minutes from the May 10, 2022 regular meeting.

Motion by Vice Chairman Morrow to approve the May 10, 2022 Minutes, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.

### **D. OLD BUSINESS**

None

### E. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consider the approval of the attached list for Personal Property internal audits.

2. Consider the approval of 2022 S5 Disabled Veteran homestead exemption for the following parcel: HAPPY DIANE BOOKER JOHNSON 212C-01-011

3. Consider the approval of new applications for Conservation Use Valuation Assessment for the following parcels:

MIRTA SEHILA CASAL MARTIN ET AL 252-02-019, 40.33 ACRES BRENIN & CHAKARI MOBLEY 253-01-004A, 17.43 ACRES DEANNEA ADAMS 226-01-007, 43.62 ACRES RAY BROWN 214-01-023, 27.00 ACRES MARK & JULIE FRITZ 209-01-014C, 34.99 ACRES BRIAN R NORRIS 280-01-017, 38.04 ACRES 280-01-013, 5.03 ACRES CONTIGUOUS

4. Consider the approval of continuation applications for Conservation Use Valuation Assessment for the following parcels: **KYLA & BLAINE BARTON** 252-02-023, 50.33 ACRES **BRIAN DANIEL PARISH** 277-01-005B, 70.04 ACRES HIGH FALLS 16 LLC 218-02-010, 203.23 ACRES MICHAEL VONDRA 227-01-001, 49.50 ACRES BERGEN HEARD & BARBARA HARDAWAY 272-01-010B, 27.27 ACRES MARY & LOVELLE CAMP 279-01-011R, 0.90 ACRES CONTIGUOUS WITH PARCEL 279-01-001Q, 27.51 ACRES IN **CUVA** KRYSTAL ERICKSON & WILLIAM PEAVY 282-01-025, 19.03 ACRES TWIN VALLEY LLC 276-01-005, 256.49 ACRES 276-01-005H, 202.55 ACRES 276-01-005J, 58.50 ACRES

5. Consider the approval of renewal applications for Conservation Use Valuation Assessment for the following parcels: JOSEPH & JANE BAILEY 269-01-014E, 12.00 ACRES 269-01-014D, 16.68 ACRES CONTIGUOUS HARPE LIVING TRUST 240-01-023D, 20.51 ACRES JESSE CHAMPION 228-04-002A, 76.32 ACRES

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

### **F. NEW BUSINESS**

# 1. Consider the approval of a continuation application for Conservation Use Valuation Assessment for the following parcel:

ALAN MOBLEY & CORBIN RICHARD MORROW AS CONSERVATOR 235-03-005, 49.26 ACRES

*Vice Chairman Morrow recused himself from voting and left the room due to an interest in this application.* 

General discussion on the qualifications of the property. Staff recommendation to approve.

Motion by Chairman McDaniel to approve the application, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 2-0.

Vice Chairman Morrow returned to the meeting.

2. Consider the approval of a new application for Conservation Use Valuation Assessment for the following parcel: DIANA K CAMBRON 210-01-020C, 12.16 ACRES

Discussion on the qualifications of the property. Staff recommendation to approve.

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

3. Consider the approval of new applications for Conservation Use Valuation Assessment for the following parcels: JAMES & KEREN ANTOINE 233-02-007, 14.27 ACRES Discussion on the qualifications of the property. Staff recommendation to deny due to current use.

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

4. Consider a request for refund taxes paid for 2021 for the following parcel: CAITLIN R & ROBERT NATHANIEL BOYD, JR 267-02-010

Discussion of the original homestead application which was approved April 12, 2022, and that there was no homestead exemption for 2021.

Motion by Vice Chairman Morrow to deny the request for refund, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.

### 5. Consider the approval of requests for non-disclosure of public information as attached.

Discussion on the eligibility of the first non-disclosure request.

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

Discussion on the eligibility of the second non-disclosure request.

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

### 6. Consider and approve the 2022 Public Utility Equalization Ratio.

Discussion on setting the public utility equalization ratio. Chief Appraiser Johnson recommended 40%.

*Motion by Vice Chairman Morrow to approve the 40% ratio, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.* 

## G. CHIEF APPRAISER'S REPORT

### 1. Monthly review.

Chief Appraiser Johnson outlined plans to reappraise exempt properties this year.

The leadership team will be reviewing the policy and procedures manual.

Chief Appraiser Johnson is working on an update on the status of the Digest Review items.

The Assessors office will be moving to a new location as soon as the building is ready.

### 2. Appeals update.

*The office has been receiving minimal appeals in the past week. The appeal deadline is July 18, 2022.* 

### **H. ASSESSORS COMMENTS**

General discussion on the CAVEAT conference held in May 2022.

### I. CLOSED SESSION

None

### J. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Vice Chairman Morrow to adjourn at 9:45AM, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.