

## MINUTES

Spalding County Board of Tax Assessors – Regular Session Tax  
September 13, 2022 – 9:00AM  
119 E Solomon St, Room 108, Griffin, GA 30223

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### 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 September 13, 2022, at 9:00AM in the Courthouse Annex, Meeting Room. 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, 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 August 9, 2022 Minutes.

*Motion by Vice Chairman Morrow to approve the August 9, 2022 Minutes, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.*

**D. OLD BUSINESS**

*None*

**E. CONSENT AGENDA**

**1. Consider the approval for 2023 S5 Disabled Veteran homestead exemption for the following parcels:**

DAVID & CHARMAINE BODDIE

300-01-080

EARNEST & LIZZIE BRADLEY

248A-01-046

HERMAN DONNELL OWENS

222-04-056

**2. Consider the approval for 2023 SS Surviving Spouse of a Disabled Veteran homestead exemption for the following parcel:**

MARY MCLEAN

119-02-049

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

**F. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Consider the approval of a new Conservation Use Valuation Assessment for the following parcel:**

WILSON, THOMAS D JR ET AL

201-01-001F, 44.35 ACRES

*Discussion on the result of an appeal of the property.*

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

**2. Consider the approval of a request for non-disclosure of public information.**

*Discussion on the eligibility of the person making the request.*

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

**3. Consider the approval of a request for non-disclosure of public information.**

*Discussion on the eligibility of law enforcement to receive non-disclosure status.*

*Motion by Vice Chairman Morrow to approve non-disclosure for this person, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.*

**4. Consider the approval to forward a 2022 filed late appeal to the Board of Equalization for the following parcel:**

GLEND A BRUMLEY  
248D-01-011

*General discussion on the office staff receiving late filed appeals. Vice Chairman Morrow asked Chief Appraiser Johnson to contact the county attorney for clarification regarding forwarding late appeals to the Board of Equalization (BOE).*

*Chief Appraiser Johnson stated that the BOA is denying appeals filed after the deadline then forwarding to the BOE for taxpayers to maintain appeal rights. Chief Appraiser Johnson indicated he would follow up with the county attorney.*

*Motion by Vice Chairman Morrow to approve sending the denied late filed appeal to the Board of Equalization, motion was seconded by Member Wideman and carried unanimously 3-0.*

**G. CHIEF APPRAISER'S REPORT**

**1. Appeal to the Department of Audits & Accounts by the Spalding County Board of Commissioners.**

*Chief Appraiser Johnson informed the Board of a meeting to be held September 19, 2022 with representatives of the Department of Audits & Accounts, GMASS, Inc, the County Manager, and the County Attorney to discuss the Board of Commissioner's appeal of the equalization ratio.*

**2. Appeals update.**

*Chief Appraiser Johnson reported on the number of resolved appeals at this time and asked Deputy Chief Robby Williams to speak on commercial property appeals.*

*Deputy Chief Williams informed the Board of the number of Hearing Officer, personal property, and commercial appeals and the status of hearing scheduling.*

**3. Update on vehicles.**

*Chief Appraiser Johnson informed the Board of the county fleet rotation plan to be implemented by the county.*

**4. Office relocation update.**

*There is no hard date on the relocation, perhaps the fall of this year.*

**5. Update on staff hiring.**

*All positions are now filled, and the new appraiser has started training.*

**6. Monthly review.**

*No further comments were made.*

**H. ASSESSORS COMMENTS**

*Chairman McDaniel appreciated the staff.*

**I. CLOSED SESSION**

*None*

**J. ADJOURNMENT**

*Upon no other business to discuss, motion by Chairman McDaniel to adjourn at 9:40AM, motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Morrow and carried unanimously 3-0.*