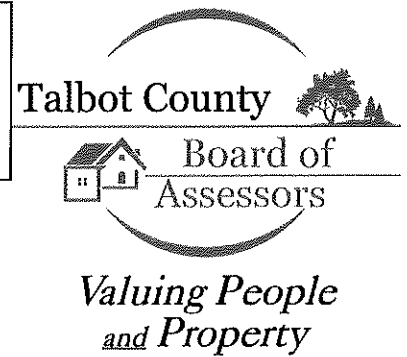


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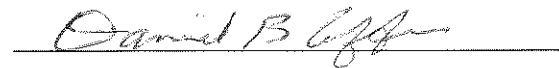
Board of Assessors
Monthly Meeting Minutes
August 12, 2024

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Coffee at 2:00 pm at the Tax Assessors Office. A quorum was present including the following: Daniel B. Coffee, Sandra N. Higginbotham, Hubert P. Bickley, and Lauren A. Harbin, Secretary. Bryan Watson who will be newly appointed to take Mr. Bickley's expired term on September 1, 2024 was also in attendance.
2. Vice-Chairman Bickley motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Mrs. Higginbotham seconded the motion. Chairman Coffee asked to amend the agenda to include executive session to discuss personnel issues. Mr. Bickley amended his motion to include Chairman Coffee's addition, Mrs. Higginbotham agreed. The motion passed unanimously.
3. Vice-Chairman Bickley made a motion to approve the July 23, 2024 called meeting minutes as presented. Mrs. Higginbotham seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Mrs. Harbin informed the Board she had not had an update from County Manager Ison concerning the budget proposal. Chairman Coffee indicated that he had not heard anything further. Mrs. Harbin stated that she would keep the Board up to date if there were any developments.
5. New Business
 - A. Mrs. Harbin presented the Board with a copy of the budget through June of 2024. With 75% of the year accounted for there is enough money in the budget to finish the year with no shortfalls barring any unforeseen issues.
 - B. Homestead applications for 2025 were presented to the Board with the recommendation to approve. Vice-Chairman Bickley made a motion to approve as recommended. Mrs. Higginbotham seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0-0. A listing of approved applications will be made a portion of these minutes.
 - C. Conservation use applications that were submitted during the appeal period were presented for approval. Vice-Chairman Bickley made a motion to approve as presented. Mrs. Higginbotham seconded the motion. There was a brief discussion following up on the Cleveland Holloway estate signatures, Mrs. Harbin indicated that everything was in order. The motion passed unanimously.
 - D. Vice-Chairman Bickley made a motion to approve the 30 day notice of assessments as presented by the Chief Appraiser. Mrs. Higginbotham offered the second. There was no further discussion. The motion passed unanimously. A listing of these will be made a portion of the minutes

- E. Mrs. Harbin presented the Board with the error and releases for this past month. Vice-Chairman Bickley made the motion to approve as presented, and Mrs. Higginbotham offered the seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed unanimously. A listing of these will be made a portion of the minutes.
- F. In the appeal update Mrs. Harbin provided the Board with a spreadsheet showing the current appeals. The count is currently 50. Mrs. Harbin indicated that they were working through field visiting each property under appeal. Mr. Bickley asked if Mrs. Harbin had heard anything further on the Timberlands appeals. Mrs. Harbin stated that she is awaiting a email reply from the Timberlands agent.
- G. In the Chief appraisers update Mrs. Harbin informed the Board that the office would be attending short course at Callaway in November and the office would be closed the week of November 4. Chairman Coffee requested that she run a notice in the paper concerning the closure. Mrs. Harbin also informed the Board that Mr. Watson had been appointed to the BOA by the Board of Commissioners and was sworn in and is ready to serve beginning September 1. She also indicated that she had registered his appointment with the Department of Revenue, and he is already registered for his upcoming training.
- H. In members matters the Board conducted a meet and greet with Mr. Watson and welcomed him to the Board.
- I. At 2:55 pm a motion was made to enter executive session to discuss personnel matters.
- J. At 3:30 pm a motion was made to enter back into regular session. There were no decisions made.
- K. The next scheduled monthly meeting is tentatively set for September 17th at 2pm.
- L. A motion to adjourn was made by Vice-Chairman Bickley at 3:32pm. Mrs. Higginbotham seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Members remained to sign paperwork for approximately 5 minutes.

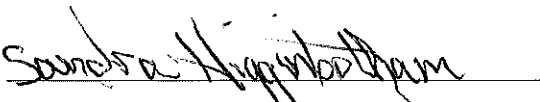
Submitted by Lauren A. Harbin, Secretary



Daniel B. Coffee, Chairman



Hubert P. Bickley, Vice-Chair



Sandra N. Higginbotham, Member