11 N. Jefferson Ave. PO BOX 337 Talbotton, GA 31827

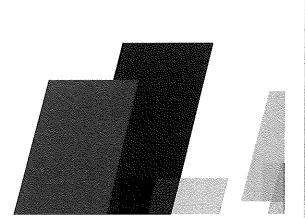


MONTHLY MEETING
June 18, 2024
2:00 pm
AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approve Agenda, and any additions
- 3. Approval of Minutes
 - A. April 16, 2024
 - B. April 30, 2024
- 4. Reevaluation Presentation
- 5. Public Appearances
- 6. Old Business
 - A. Budget Update
- 7. New Business
 - A. Homestead Applications
 - B. Conservation Use Applications
 - C. Forest Land Protection Act Applications
 - D. 2024-2025 Budget Planning
 - E. 30 Day Notices of Assessment
 - F. Appeal Update
 - G. Error and Releases
 - H. Chief Appraiser Update
 - I. Members Matters
 - J. Announcements
 - i. Next scheduled monthly meeting is tentatively July 2024.
 - ii. Budget planning meeting June 25, 2024 at 2pm.
 - K. Adjournment

Phone: 706.665.3377
Fax: 706.665.9158
E-mail: office@talbotgaboa.org

www.qpublic.net/ga/talbot



74 West William oe Street PO BOX 337 Talbotton, GA 31827 Daniel B. Coffee, Chairman
Sandra N. Higginbotham, Member
Hubert P. Bickley, Member
Lauren A. Harbin, Secretary



Board of Assessors Monthly Meeting Minutes June 18, 2024

Valuing People and Property

- 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 (via teleconference), and Lauren A. Harbin, Secretary.
- 2. Vice-Chairman Bickley motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Mrs. Higginbotham offered the second. There was no discussion. The motion passed 2-0-0.
- 3. Vice-Chairman Bickley motioned to approve the April 16, 2024 minutes as presented. Mrs. Higginbotham seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 2-0-0. Vice-Chairman Bickley motioned to approve the April 30, 2024 minutes as presented. Mrs. Higginbotham seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 2-0-0.
- 4. Reevaluation Presentation tabled, no public attendance
- 5. Public Appearances none
- 6. Old Business
 - A. Mrs. Harbin provided the Board of Assessors with a copy of the budget report through April 2024.

 Chairman Coffee discussed the overage in the Capital Outlay account, Mrs. Harbin indicated that the money would be moved from maps and travel to cover the overage towards the end of the budget cycle.

7. New Business

- A. Homestead Applications: Homestead exemption applications for 2025 were presented to the Board for approval. Upon Mrs. Harbin's recommendation Vice-Chairman Bickley made a motion to approve the applications as presented. Mrs. Higginbotham seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The motion passed unanimously.
- B. Conservation use applications and releases for 2024 were presented to the Board for approval. Vice-Chairman Bickley made a motion to approve as presented. Mrs. Higginbotham second the motion. The motion passed 2-0-0. A listing of the approved applications will be made a portion of these minutes.
- C. Forest Land Protection applications and releases for 2024 were presented to the Board for approval. Vice-Chairman Bickley made a motion to approve as presented. Mrs. Higginbotham second the motion. The motion passed 2-0-0. A listing of the approved applications will be made a portion of these minutes.
- D. The 2025 Budget is due to the County Manager by June 21, however, she has given us an extension due to the appeal deadline. The BOA will meet Tuesday June 25 to finalize budget preparation.
- E. Mrs. Harbin presented the 30 day NOA list to the Board for approval. Vice-Chairman Bickley made the motion to approve the notices as presented. Mrs. Higginbotham seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0-0.

- F. Mrs. Harbin provided the Board with a copy of current appeals and their status as off today's date there are 25 appeals filed. Chairman Coffee indicated that he had received a call from Mr. Bobby Dutton who is the head of the Talbot County Coalition for a Better Government. Mr. Dutton discussed the reevaluation and concerns about the assessments. Mrs. Harbin indicated that she and Assistant County Manager Ronnie Hendricks had met with Mr. Dutton this monthly and listened to his concerns and answered all questions he had. Mrs. Harbin also indicated that she had shared the CAVEAT presentation concerning the floating homestead with Mr. Dutton.
- G. There were no errors and releases to approve.
- H. In the Chief Appraiser update Mrs. Harbin updated the Board of Assessors that the office staff would be attending Short Course at Callaway Gardens in November as everyone is due for 40 hours of training and it due to the location it will save hotel and travel expenses.
- In members matters Chairman Coffee noted that all CAVEAT presentations are available online. Chairman Coffee and Vice-Chairman Bickley also attended a forestry workshop at the Chamber of Commerce that discussed the handling of heir property. Mr. Coffee shared a handout that we could give to customers who had questions about heir property. Mr. Coffee also invited Mrs. Harbin and the other BOA members to the July 19 Lyons club meeting where there will be a speaker from the Federal Reserve Bank.
- J. The next scheduled monthly meeting is tentatively set for July 23, 2024 at 2pm. A called meeting on June 25 at 2pm will also be held to finalize budget preparation and finalize digest submission to the Tax Commissioners office.
- K. A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Bickley to adjourn the meeting at 3:18pm. Mrs. Higginbotham seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 2-0-0. Members stayed to sign paperwork until 3:35 pm.

Submitted by Lauren A. Harbin, Secretary

Daniel B. Coffee, Chairman

Hubert P. Bickley, Vice-Chair

Sandra N. Higginbotham, Member