



<Columbus, Georgia, Board of Tax Assessors

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MINUTES# 32-17

Chairman Chester Randolph calls the Columbus, Georgia Board of Tax Assessors' meeting to order on Monday September 18, 2017, at 9:00AM. Present are Vice Chairman Daniel Hill, Assessor Lawton Grantham Jr., Assessor Pat Bettis Hunter, Assessor Matthew Moorefield, Chief Appraiser Betty Middleton, Deputy Chief Appraiser John Williams and Secretary Leilani Floyd.

Assessor Hunter motions to accept the Agenda. Assessor Moorefield seconds the motion and the motion carries.

Assessor Moorefield motions to approve the minutes 31-17, Vice Chairman Hill seconds the motion and the motion carries.

Vice Chairman Hill motions to reinstate 2017 homestead exemption for parcel 191 005 017. Assessor Hunter seconds the motion and the motion carries.

Vice Chairman Hill motions to reinstate homestead exemption for parcel 095 015 061. Assessor Hunter seconds the motion and the motion carries.

Assessor Hunter motions to approve 2017 homestead for parcel 138 005 042. Vice Chairman Hill seconds the motion and the motion carries.

Vice Chairman Hill motions to approve 2017 homestead for parcel 190 058 006. Assessor Hunter seconds the motion and the motion carries.

Vice Chairman Hill motions to approve 2017 homestead for parcel 132 016 001. Assessor Hunter seconds the motion and the motion carries.

At 9:15, Attorney Randy Lomax enters the meeting. A representative from WTVM also enters the meeting. Attorney Lomax informs them it is an open meeting and they can set up their equipment to observe.

Attorney Lomax presents a copy of the report presented at Council meeting last Tuesday. The report contained the history of the Tyler presentations and a request for a copy of the final

contract.

Attorney Lomax discusses a Doctors Hospital appeal of Taxability that is actually owned by the Hospital Authority. Vice Chairman Hill motions to approve non-taxability request for parcel 016 033 001. Assessor Hunter seconds the motion and the motion carries.

Attorney Lomax asks about the Tax Digest. Chief Appraiser Middleton informs him it has been approved. He proceeds to update the Board regarding two parcels pending for 2016 arbitration. The taxpayer has changed attorneys. Attorney Lomax is in contact with the new attorney for the 2017 arbitration appeal. He has suggested combining both years and keeping the recommended arbitrator.

At 9:48, Attorney Lomax exits the meeting.

Personal Property Manager Glen Thomason enters and presents for approval:

Business appeals 2017 resolved	10
Motor Vehicles appeals resolved	2
No Change Motor Vehicle	1
Heavy Equipment	1

Residential Property Manager Cullen Favors enters the meeting. Assessor Grantham motions to accept AAA agenda 4 of 4. Vice Chairman Hill seconds the motion and the motion carries.

Assessor Grantham motions to approve the rejected appraisals agenda and approve adjustments. Vice Chairman Hill seconds the motion and the motion carries.

Vice Chairman Hill motions to approve the following parcels due to clerical errors: 077 003 021, 191 033 004 11A, and 191 033 004 11B. Assessor Hunter seconds the motion and the motion carries. New 45-day notices will be sent for 2017.

Assessor Hunter motions to approve A-4 Agenda scheduled for 09-11-17, which consists of 1037 parcels. Assessor Moorefield seconds the motion and the motion carries.

Assessor Hunter motions to approve A-4 Agenda scheduled for 09-18-2017, which consists of 405 parcels. Assessor Grantham seconds the motion and the motion carries.

Assessor Hunter motions to approve A-S agenda, which consists of 122 parcels. Assessor Moorefield seconds the motion and the motion carries.

Assessor Grantham motions to adjust to sales price for parcel 165 001 026H and 165 001 026. Assessor Hunter seconds the motion and the motion carries. New 45 day notices will be sent out.

Assessor Moorefield motions not to accept the changes to parcel 165 001 020H. Assessor Grantham seconds the motion and the motion carries.

Commercial Property Manager Stacie Stone-Cook enters the meeting.

Assessor Grantham motions to approve A-4 agenda with 276 parcels. Assessor Moorefield seconds the motion and the motion carries. Chairman Randolph recuses himself from Fourth Street Towers. Parcels #25 and #75 were removed making it 274 adjustments total. Assessor Grantham motions to approve Fourth Street Towers. Vice Chairman Hill seconds the motion and the motion carries. Chairman Randolph recuses himself.

Vice Chairman Hill motions to approve A-S agenda containing 3 parcels. Assessor Hunter seconds the motion and the motion carries.

Vice Chairman Hill motions to approve AAA agenda containing 1 parcel, Assessor Hunter seconds the motion and the motion carries.

Assessor Grantham motions to approve parcel 185 043 021H to reactivate 2017 parcel. Assessor Moorefield seconds the motion and the motion carries.


At 11:55, Steve Wise of Tyler Technologies enters the meeting.

The Board requests an update from Tyler regarding the analysis for potential administrative adjustments for specific areas previously discussed. Mr. Wise indicates that the total analysis included approximately 18,000 parcels.

Vice Chairman Hill motions to adjust the values in the suggested areas. Assessor Hunter seconds, followed by a discussion between Board members, Tyler and Staff (6). Assessor Grantham summarizes the process suggested by Mr. Wise, who confirms Assessor Grantham synopsis of the suggested adjustments resulting from the review the Board had asked for. Chairman Randolph calls for vote; the motion carries with all in agreement.

Deputy Chief Appraiser John Williams gave the Board an update on appeals processed.

At 12:47, Chairman Randolph adjourns the meeting without any objections.


Leilani Floyd
Secretary


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