



**Hall County Board of Tax Assessors
Meeting Minutes
Hall County Government Center Building
June 17, 2020
4:00 PM**

- A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**
- B. MINUTES FROM JUNE 3, 2020 MEETING**
- C. COVID-19 RESPONSE & INTERVENTION**
- D. 2020 HOMESTEAD APPLICATIONS**
- E. 2020 HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION REFUND**
- F. CONSERVATION USE**
- G. 2020 TAX DIGEST**
- H. 2019 DEPT OF AUDITS SALES RATIO STUDY**
- I. FY2021 BUDGET**
- J. QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD**
- K. ADJOURN**

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Assessors Present: Randy Smith, Berlinda Lipscomb, Seth Seagraves, Eric Jackson and Jim Henderson.

Others Present: Chief Appraiser Steve Watson, Deputy Chief Appraiser John Smith and Administrative Services Manager Janene Smith with Janene Smith serving as Secretary to the Board of Tax Assessors.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Randy Smith at 4:00 p.m.

5 of 5 Board members present for the meeting. ***Meeting conducted as a virtual meeting***

1. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Mr. Jackson and Ms. Lipscomb seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0. Approved.

2. Approval/Additions/Deletions to Agenda: None at this time

Motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by Ms. Lipscomb and Mr. Jackson seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0. Approved.

3. Administrative

a. COVID-19 Response & Intervention:

- The Board was informed that the staff only had a few appointment requests from taxpayers during the partial shutdown of the building.
- The Board was informed that the appraisal staff would soon be back out doing field inspections.
- Mr. Watson informed the Board that he would like to start having BOA meetings back at the HCGC in July.

b. 2020 Homestead Exemption Applications:

- The Board was presented a list of additional Homestead Exemptions taken since the deadline was extended to June 15th, 2020.

Motion to approve the list of additional homestead exemption applications was made by Mr. Jackson and Mr. Henderson seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0. Approved.

c. Homestead Exemption Refund:

- The Board was presented with a homestead exemption that did not get applied in 2013. Motion to approve the refund request on #08-015 009009 was made by Mr. Henderson and Mr. Seagraves seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0. Approved.

d. Conservation Use:

- The Board was presented a list of new/renewal covenants. Motion to approve the list of new/renewal covenants was made by Ms. Lipscomb and Mr. Jackson seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0. Approved.

- The Board was presented with a list of mid-year change covenants. Motion to approve the list of mid-year change covenants was made by Mr. Henderson and Mr. Seagraves seconded the motion.

- The Board was presented with a list of covenants that the Board is recommending denial.

Motion to approve the list of staff recommended *denials* was made by Mr. Jackson and Ms. Lipscomb seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0. Denial list Approved. Mr. Henderson abstained from voting.

4. Real/Personal Property Appraisal

a. 2020 Tax Digest:

- The Board was presented with the list of corrected Real Property notices to be mailed June 19, 2020.

Motion to approve mailing Real Property notices June 19, 2020 was made by Ms. Lipscomb and Mr. Jackson seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0. Approved.

- The Board was given the statistics of how the number of incoming appeals compare this year to last year during the same time frame.

5. Chief Appraisers Report

a. 2019 Dept. of Audits Sales Ratio Study:

- The Board was shown the results of the 2019 Dept. of Audits Sales Ratio Study from the Department of Revenue.

b. FY2021 Budget:

- The Board was updated on the latest adjustments to the budget for 2021.

6. Other Business

- Nothing at this time.

7. Assessor Comments

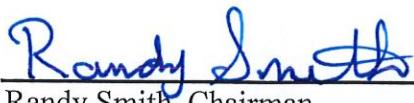
- None at this time.

8. Adjourn

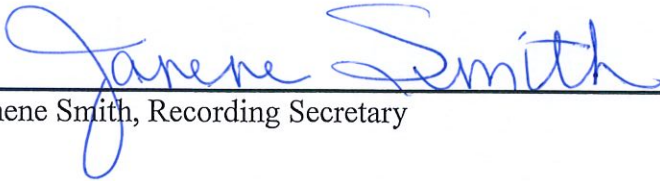
- The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

In order to speak at a board meeting or to get an item on the board's agenda, contact Steve Watson, Chief Appraiser at 770-531-6733.

*****Handouts and documents presented to the Board of Assessors for consideration and that are not included herein are available upon request for review or copied at a nominal cost per copy. For further information, please contact Administrative Services Manager Janene Smith at 770-531-6739 or jasmith4@hallcounty.org.**



Randy Smith, Chairman



Janene Smith, Recording Secretary