MINUTES DEKALB COUNTY BOARD OF ASSESSORS December 17, 2020

A meeting of the DeKalb County Board of Assessors was held on Thursday, December 17, 2020 through Zoom Conferencing.

James Vernor, PhD, MAI, Chair, Assessor
Vivian R. Ingersoll, MA, Assessor, Vice-Chair
John W. Lawson, J.D., LL.M. Assessor
Charlene Fang, Assessor
Robert A. Burroughs, J.D., Assessor
Calvin C. Hicks, Chief Appraiser/BTA Secretary
Donna Rosser, Assistant Chief Appraiser
Brian Jennings, Deputy Chief Appraiser – Residential
Brentnol Baker, Deputy Chief Appraiser – Commercial
Vance Clements, Personal Property Supervisor
Teresa H. Nealey, Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Chair called for a motion to approve the amended 12/17/20 Agenda, made by Vivian Ingersoll, seconded by Robert Burroughs. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Chair called for a motion to approve the 12/3/20 Minutes, made by John Lawson and seconded by Robert Burroughs and Vivian Ingersoll. The motion carried.

CITIZEN TIME

No citizens requested time to address the Board.

BOARD DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

The Chair called for a motion to approve batches 1 through 35 of this Agenda, made by Vivian Ingersoll, seconded by Charlene Fang. As shown on the BOA Agenda Update, the Chair noted parcel 18 281 06 023 was deleted from Batch 10. After discussion, the Chair called for a vote and the motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF 2021 MOBILE HOME VALUES

After discussion of the 2021 Mobile Home spreadsheet, the Chair called for a motion to approve, made by John Lawson and seconded by Robert Burroughs. The motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS

See attached.

CHIEF APPRAISER'S REPORT

See attached.

Calvin Hicks commented on litigation in Fulton County where plaintiffs are appealing a motion for summary judgement awarded the defendants.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Chair said thank you and farewell to John Lawson. This is John's last Board meeting. John stated that he has thoroughly enjoyed his time with the Board with current and past members. He stated that he's served on this Board for going on 17 years and said that he has always been favorably impressed with his colleagues and that he will miss them. All other members expressed their sentiments to John. The Chair wished him success in his future ventures and stated that he has appreciated John's insights on how government works and the law. John stated that he will stay in touch and stated that our Senior Staff is terrific and Calvin Hicks gets all the credit for that! Mr. Lawson resigned from the Board of Assessors effective 12/31/20.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no session today.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 10:28 a.m.

This meeting was conducted in accordance with O.C.G.A. 50-14-(1-6).

Signed by:

Calvin C. Hicks, Jr.

Chief Appraiser/BTA Secretary

Date Approved: 1-7-2-(