MINUTES DEKALB COUNTY BOARD OF ASSESSORS August 28, 2025

A meeting of the DeKalb County Board of Assessors was held on Thursday, August 28, 2025. Present were the following:

Joseph Kusmik, MA, Chair
Charlene Fang, Vice-Chair
Robert A. Burroughs, J.D., Assessor, via phone
Genet Hopewell, J.D., Assessor, Via Phone
Calvin C. Hicks, Chief Appraiser/BTA Secretary
Donna Rosser, Assistant Chief Appraiser
Vance Clements, Supervisor – Business Personal Property
Brian Jennings, Deputy Chief Appraiser – Residential
Brentnol Baker, Deputy Chief Appraiser – Commercial
Teresa Nealey, Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Chair stated that the Agenda for 8/28/25 had been received. He also stated that the BOA Agenda Update had been received showing all pulled parcels. After discussion, he called for a motion to approve, made by Robert Burroughs and seconded by Genet Hopewell. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Chair called for a motion to approve the Minutes of 8/7/25. Charlene Fang made a motion for Approval, seconded by Genet Hopewell. The motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN TIME

Attorney Lindsey Hillis requested time to address the Board. She indicated that she had two issues to address: The first issue was her open records request for the 2025 Market Worksheet that she has not received and the second issue: she asked if this board changed its policy on the way apartments are valued. She passed out a handout and spoke on this issue. After her presentation, she thanked the board for their time and the Board thanked her for coming.

BOARD DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

The Chair called for a motion to approve Staff Recommendations for batches 1 through 42. The attached BOA Agenda Update shows several pulled parcels. The following were also pulled: parcel 16 004 08 015 from batch 23, parcel 15 180 02 019 from batch 27, batch 28 was pulled and parcel 18 281 02 075 was corrected on batch 27. After the discussion, Genet Hopewell made the motion, which Charlene Fang seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

See attached.

CHIEF APPRAISER'S REPORT

See attached.

Regarding our meeting with Dr. You on Friday, 8/22/25, Mr. Hicks indicated that Dr. You sent an email with the picture of all of us together. He indicated that he really enjoyed his time here. He thanked us for the information we provided and the opportunity to speak with staff. He also said that if we are ever in Taipei, to let him know!

Charlene Fang appreciated everyone for their support in making Dr. You's visit a success.

Mr. Hicks also told the Board that he spoke on the changes in Georgia Code 48-5-299c at the BOE meeting on Friday morning 8/22/25.

OTHER BUSINESS

Robert Burroughs stated that the discussion of the policy manual be deferred.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 10:24 am.

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: 94/25

8/28/25 BOA AGENDA UPDATE

BATCHES 1-42

Batch 20 - Parcel Pulled

15 186 04 018

Batch 23 - Parcels Pulled

18 330 11 028

16 004 08 015

Batch 27 - Parcels Pulled

15 224 03 004

18 224 09 001

18 299 15 009

15 180 02 019

18 281 02 075 - Parcel number corrected

Batch 28 - Pulled