

The Effingham County Tax Assessors Meeting

The Board of Tax Assessors of Effingham County, Georgia, Mr. Lowell Morgan, Chairman, Mr. Larry (Brad) Green Vice Chairman, and Mrs. Gussie Nease met in regular session at 5:13 P.M. on Monday January 7, 2019 in the 2nd Floor Conference Room at the Historic Courthouse.

PERSONS ATTENDING THE MEETING

Chief Appraiser Janis Bevill, Mrs. Jennifer Keyes

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Morgan called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION

Vice-Chairman Larry (Brad) Green gave the invocation.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Chairman Morgan asked if there were any additions to the agenda. With no additions to the agenda Vice-Chairman Green made a motion to approve the agenda. Mrs. Gussie Nease seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ELECTIONS OF 2019 CHAIRMAN, VICE-CHAIRMAN, AND SECRETARY

After the ballots were collect for Chairman, Chief Appraiser Bevill announced the Mr. Lowell Morgan would continue as Chairman with a unanimous vote.

After the ballots were collect for Vice Chairman, Chief Appraiser Bevill announced the Mr. Larry (Brad) Green would continue as Vice-Chairman with a unanimous vote.

After the ballots were collect for Secretary, Chief Appraiser Bevill announced with a unanimous vote that Mrs. Rebecca Wright would become secretary.

MINUTES

With no errors found Vice Chairman Green made a motion to approve the December 10, 2018 Special Called Meeting. Mrs. Gussie Nease seconded the motion. The motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Errors & Releases and NOD: After a brief discussion Mrs. Gussie Nease made a motion to approve the errors and releases as presented. Vice Chairman Green Seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Policy and Procedures Manual- Adoption: Mrs. Gussie Nease made a motion to table the Policy and Procedures Manual- Adoption until the new Chief Appraiser was hired. Vice Chairman Green seconded the motion. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS- 2018 VETERANS APPROVALS: Mrs. Gussie Nease made a motion to approve the Veterans homestead exemption applications as presented. Vice Chairman Green seconded the motion. The motion carried.

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS- 2019 APPROVALS: Mrs. Gussie Nease made a motion to approve the 2019 homestead exemption applications as presented. Vice Chairman Green seconded the motion. The motion carried.

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS- 2019 Denials: Vice-Chairman Green made a motion to approve the 2019 denied homestead exemption applications as presented. Mrs. Gussie Nease seconded the motion. The motion carried.

EXEMPT PROPERTY APPLICATION- NEW FOUNDATION HOLINESS CHURCH: Mrs. Jennifer Keyes presented the exempt property application. Mrs. Keyes stated that pictures were taken and the church was asked to submit documentation regarding use. New Foundation Holiness Church did not submit the requested documentation. Vice Chairman made a motion to table the application until a final letter could be sent to the property owner requesting additional use documentation. Chairman Morgan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

APPEAL WAIVERS: Mrs. Jennifer Keyes presented Superior Court Appeal Waivers for concertation. Vice Chairman Green made a motion to approve the appeal waivers as presented. Mrs. Gussie Nease seconded the motion. The motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS

STAFF REPORT: Chief Appraiser Bevill presented the current state of the office. Following Chief Appraiser Bevill's presentation, Mrs. Gussie Nease made a motion to except the staff report as presented. Vice Chairman Green seconded the motion. The motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION/ ADJOURNMENT

Meeting minutes were supplied by Mrs. Gussie Nease acting as sectary.

January 7th, 2019

Executive Session of the Effingham County Tax Assessors Board for the purpose of Personnel

Members in attendance:

Chair: Lowell Morgan

Vice Chair: Brad Green

Gussie Nease

Called to order at 6:05

First order of business was the appointment of Gussie Nease to take notes.

Discussion of the two applicates for the position of Chief Tax Assessor, Jennifer Keyes and Neal Groover

Adjourned from Executive Session at 6:22 pm

Returned to open meeting and opened the door.

A straw vote was taken and discussion with the following results–

Brad Green – Jennifer Keyes

Gussie Nease – Neal Groover

Lowell Morgan – Neal Groover

Motion was made by Gussie Nease to officially select Neal Groover as Chief Assessor by the Board of Tax Assessors. Motion was seconded by Lowell Morgan. It was a unanimous vote for Neal Groover as Chief Tax Assessor.

A motion was made by Brad Green to adjourn and seconded by Gussie Nease.

Meeting Adjourned.

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