

# **The Effingham County Board of Tax Assessors Meeting**

The Board of Tax Assessors of Effingham County, Georgia, Mr. Lowell Morgan, Chairman, Mr. Larry (Brad) Green, Vice-Chairman, Mrs. Janis Bevill, Mrs. Lisa Mock, and Mrs. Gussie Nease scheduled to meet in a Regular Session Meeting at 4:00 P.M. on Monday May 3, 2021 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room at the Historic Courthouse.

## **PERSONS ATTENDING THE MEETING:**

Chief Appraiser Neal Groover, Deputy Chief Appraiser Jennifer Keyes, Secretary to the Board of Tax Assessors Crystal Ouellette.

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

Vice-Chairman Larry (Brad) Green called the meeting to order at 4:22 P.M.

## **INVOCATION:**

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

## **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

All members were present.

## **AGENDA APPROVAL:**

Deputy Chief Appraiser Jennifer Keyes informed the Board of two changes to the agenda. Add on homestead approvals and moving the CUVA denial parcel 404-5 Edna Allen to CUVA approvals. After review Mrs. Janis Bevill made a motion to approve the agenda with the changes and add-ons as presented. Mrs. Lisa Mock seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## **APPEARANCES:**

No appearances.

## **MINUTES:**

Mrs. Janis Bevill made a motion to approve the regular session meeting Minutes for April 5, 2021 with the correction to Vice-Chairman Larry (Brad) Green's name on page 4 as presented. Mrs. Gussie Nease seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## **CONSENT AGENDA:**

**ERRORS & RELEASES AND NOD:** The Board was presented the Errors & Releases and NOD log for approval. After a brief discussion and review, Mrs. Janis Bevill made a motion to approve the Errors & Releases and NOD log as presented. Mrs. Lisa Mock seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

No old business

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Rural Land Ratios 2021:** Chief Appraiser Groover presented the Board the Rural Land Ratios for 2021. After a brief discussion and review, Mrs. Janis Bevill made a motion to approve the map changes and ratio studies as presented. Vice-Chairman Larry (Brad) Green seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Ernest Zipperer CUVA:** The Board was presented documentation the Mr. Ernest Zipperer was requesting to come out of the CUVA covenant due to age. After a brief discussion and review, Vice-Chairman Larry (Brad) Green made a motion to approve the CUVA Breach due to age with one-year penalty as presented. Mrs. Lisa Mock seconded the motion. Mrs. Janis Bevill and Mrs. Gussie Nease abstained. The motion carried.

**CUVA/FLPA – Breach without penalty:** The Board was presented a CUVA/FLPA – Breach without penalty log for approval. After a brief discussion and review, Vice-Chairman Larry (Brad) Green made a motion to approve the CUVA/FLPA – Breach without penalty log as presented. Mrs. Lisa Mock seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**CUVA/FLPA – Continuations:** The Board was presented a CUVA/FLPA – Continuations log for approval. After a brief discussion and review, Mrs. Janis Bevill made a motion to approve the CUVA/FLPA – Continuations log as presented. Mrs. Gussie Nease seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**CUVA/FLPA – Denials:** Deputy Chief Appraiser Jennifer Keyes informed the Board the only CUVA Denial was parcel 404-5 Edna Allen which was moved to the CUVA – New Approval log during agenda approval.

**CUVA/FLPA – New approvals:** The Board was presented a CUVA/FLPA – New approvals log with the addition of Edna Allen parcel 404-5 for approval. After a brief discussion and review, Mrs. Janis Bevill made a motion to approve the CUVA/FLPA – New approvals log as presented. Mrs. Gussie Nease seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**CUVA/FLPA – Breach send 30-day notice:** The Board was presented a CUVA/FLPA – Breach send 30-day notice log for approval. After a brief discussion and review, Mrs. Gussie Nease made a motion to approve the CUVA/FLPA – Breach send 30-day notice log as presented. Vice-Chairman Larry (Brad) Green seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Homestead – Approvals:** The Board was presented a Homestead log for approval with add-ons. After a brief discussion and review, Vice-Chairman Larry (Brad) Green made a motion to approve the Homestead – approval log and add-ons as presented. Mrs. Janis Bevill seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Homestead – Denials:** The Board was presented a Homestead – Denial log for approval to deny. After a brief discussion and review, Vice-Chairman Larry (Brad) Green made a motion to approve the denial of the Homestead log as presented. Mrs. Janis Bevill seconded the motion. The motion carried

**STAFF REPORTS:**

Chief Appraiser Groover verbally presented the staff report for information only. No action required.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Vice-Chairman Larry (Brad) Green made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel at 5:25 P.M. Mrs. Janis Bevill seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Vice-Chairman Larry (Brad) Green made a motion to come out of executive session at 5:42 P.M. Mrs. Janis Bevill seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Outside of executive session regarding personnel Mrs. Janis Bevill made a motion to present a signed letter requesting a one-time bonus for Chief Appraiser Groover of ten percent of his annual salary and one-time bonus for all staff members of five percent of their annual salaries to be submit to the County Commissioner, County Manager and County Finance. Vice-Chairman Larry (Brag) Green seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mrs. Janis Bevill made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:59 P.M. Vice-Chairman Larry (Brad) Green seconded the motion. The motion carried.