

## **Chatham County Board of Assessors**

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#### **ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Terry Tolbert – Chairman

Betty Ellington – Member

Gena Taylor – Member

Members Absent: James A. Gunter – Vice Chairman

Laura Hegstrom - Secretary

Others Present: Roderick Conley, AAS, RES, GCA – Chief Appraiser

Lisa Lowrimore –Interim Deputy Chief Appraiser of Operations Corey Gillenwater – Deputy Chief Appraiser of Administration

Roxann Prescott - Assistant to the Board of Assessors

Abda Quillian - Legal Counsel

Ms. Taylor made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Ms. Ellington seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

### PERSONNEL RECOGNITION

A. IAAO Recognition for Residential Evaluation Specialist Designation: Roderick Conley

B. GAAO Recognition for Georgia Certified Appraiser Designation: Roderick Conley

C. New Employee:

Residential Appraiser I: Candace Williams

D. Taxpayer Letters: Wade Roberts

**Jonathan Eady** 

#### **CITIZENS ITEMS**

None

### **DIVISION MANAGER STAFF REPORTS**

Division Manager Staff Reports - Agenda Item: V

Gabrielle Rowse for Appeals – A total of 4,858 appeals were received this year. 2,827 were manual appeals and 2,031 were online appeals. Compared to last year 1,665 more appeals were received.



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#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Ellington made a motion to approve the following:
Minutes of the July 7, 2022 Regular Meeting. – Agenda Item: VI
Ms. Taylor seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

#### **OLD ITEMS**

Terry Tolbert, Chairman, recommended tabling the following until the next meeting:
Policy – Stephens-Day Homestead Exemption – Submitted for Approval of Recommendation

#### **CONSENT AGENDA - NEW ITEMS**

Ms. Ellington made a motion to approve the following:

- 1. Applications for Exemptions Submitted for Approval of Recommendation
  - A. Freeport Agenda Item: VIII-1A

Ms. Taylor seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Ms. Ellington made a motion to approve the following:

- 2. Notices of Assessment (NOAs) Submitted for Approval of Recommendation
  - A. Personal Property 30-Day NOAs Agenda Item: VIII-2A
  - B. Personal Property 45-Day NOAs Agenda Item: VIII-2B
  - C. Support Services 45-Day NOAs Agenda Item: VIII2C
  - D. NHMH 45-Day NOAs Agenda Item: VIII-2D

Ms. Taylor seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Ms. Taylor made a motion to approve the following:

- 3. Appeal Waivers Submitted for Approval of Recommendation
  - A. Residential-Agenda Item: VIII-3A
  - B. Commercial Agenda Item: VIII-3B
  - C. Support Services Agenda Item: VIII-3C

Ms. Ellington seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Ms. Ellington made a motion to approve the following:

- 4. Property Corrections Submitted for Approval of Recommendation
  - A. Notification Letters
    - Residential Agenda Item: VIII-4A1

Ms. Taylor seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Ms. Taylor made a motion to approve the following:

5. Request for Appeal Direct to Superior Court - Submitted for Approval of Recommendation Ms. Ellington seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.



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#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

- 1. Chief Appraiser Items
  - A. GAAO Summer Conference Update Corey Gillenwater Corey, Ms. Ellington and Carol Osborne attended breakout sessions that were informative. One session they attended was Square Peg/Round Hole that covered appraising certain property types as pieces within a property vs. the property as a whole. We are the first county to utilize the comp tool in qPublic to build our BOE presentations. The comp tool is also available for public use on qPublic. The conference was decently attended. Roderick Conley Rod found the most value in talking with the different vendors that attended this year. His three biggest takeaways are new services offering public relations, consolidation between companies and concerns regarding staffing shortages.
- 2. Board Member Items
  - A. Budget FY22/23 Agenda Item: IX-2A
- 3. Chairman Items
  - A. Executive Session

Ms. Ellington made a motion to move in to Executive Session at 8:55 AM to discuss Personnel & Litigation items. Ms. Taylor seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote. Ms. Ellington made a motion to move out of Executive Session at 9:45 AM. Ms. Taylor seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

- 4. Attorney Items:
  - A. Amended Consent Judgment

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:46 AM. Ms. Ellington seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Terry Tolbert, Chairman

Laura Hegstrom, Secretary