

**CAMDEN COUNTY, GEORGIA
BOARD OF ASSESSORS
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 9, 2020, 6:00 PM**

A meeting of the Camden County Board of Assessors was held at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 9, 2020, in the Board of County Commissioners' Meeting Chambers of the Government Services Building, Woodbine, Georgia.

Present: Assessor Paul Fortier, Assessor Liz Johnsen, Assessor Richard Frizzell, Assessor John Wojcik, Chief Appraiser Brian Bishop, Deputy Chief Zach Taylor, County Attorney John Myers, and Amber Hardman

Reorganization of the Board of Assessors – 2020

County Attorney John Myers called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. County Attorney Myers called for nominations for Chair of the Camden County Board of Assessors. Assessor Rick Frizzell nominated Paul Fortier as Chair, seconded by Assessor Wojcik. No other nominations were given; Paul Fortier was elected as Chairman. Chair Fortier called for nominations for Vice-Chair. Assessor Frizzell nominated Liz Johnsen as Vice-Chair, seconded by Assessor Wojcik. No other nominations were given; Liz Johnsen was elected as Vice-Chair. Chair Fortier appointed Amber Hardman as Secretary.

Assessor Wojcik delivered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adopt the Agenda

Assessor Frizzell made a motion to adopt the agenda for January 9, 2020. Seconded by Assessor Wojcik.

The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

- December 5, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes

Assessor Wojcik made a motion to approve the December 5, 2019 regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Assessor Frizzell.

The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments

- None

Old Business

- None

New Business

1. Homestead Exemption

The attached list of 2020 Homestead Applications were presented to the Board for review.

Assessor Wojcik made a motion to approve the homestead exemption applications as recommended by staff. Seconded by Assessor Frizzell.

The motion carried unanimously.

Assessor Wojcik made a motion to approve the L5 Disabled Veteran Homestead Exemption for Gina F Beverly – parcel S17-08-006V retroactive to 2019. Seconded by Assessor Frizzell.

The motion carried unanimously.

Assessor Wojcik made a motion to approve the LD Disabled Veteran Homestead Exemption for Michael A and Patricia J Green – parcel 122D-066 retroactive to 2018 and 2019. Seconded by Assessor Frizzell.

The motion carried unanimously.

Assessor Frizzell made a motion to deny the 2020 Homestead Application for Joshua M and Jena Liat Horne Proctor – parcel 135L-094. The motion died for lack of second to motion.

The Board spoke about adopting a resolution to establish a policy for the reapplying of homestead exemption. The policy should reference Senate Bill 496 as passed by the taxpayers of Camden County and be presented at the next Board of Assessors meeting scheduled January 23, 2020.

Assessor Wojcik made a motion to table the 2020 Homestead Application for Joshua M and Jena Liat Horne Proctor – parcel 135L-094 for further review. Seconded by Assessor Frizzell.

The motion carried unanimously.

2. Non-Disclosure

The attached non-disclosure application was presented to the Board for review.

Assessor Wojcik made a motion to approve the non-disclosure request for Roy Chadwick Taylor – parcel 125E-065. Seconded by Vice-Chair Johnsen.

The motion carried 3-1.

So voted.

Chairman Fortier – Yes

Vice-Chair Johnsen– Yes

Assessor Frizzell – No

Assessor Wojcik - Yes

3. Superior Court Settlements

The attached list of 2019 Superior Court Appeal Waivers were presented to the Board for review.

Vice-Chair Johnsen made a motion to approve the 2019 Superior Court Appeal Waivers for parcels 039-003, 053-001, 079-006, and 122f-190. Seconded by Chair Fortier.

The motion carried unanimously.

4. Vehicle Appeals

The attached list of vehicle appeals were presented to the Board for review.

Assessor Wojcik made a motion to approve the vehicle appeal for Stephanie Louise Branch – 2008 Nissan Rogue and Jesse Lamar Hendrix – 2007 Honda Civic LX 45. The value for each appeal shall be set at the Bill of Sale purchase price. Seconded by Chair Fortier

The motion carried 3-1.

So voted.

Chairman Fortier – Yes

Vice-Chair Johnsen– Yes

Assessor Frizzell – No

Assessor Wojcik – Yes

5. ACO Report

The Board was presented with an Account Correction Order report for review.

No action taken.

General Discussion - For the good of the Organization

Chief Appraiser Bishop updated the Board on the 2020 Homestead Exemption Audit. Mr. Bishop explained that the homestead data entry corrections will be too large for the staff to correct in 2020. He advised the Board that Gregg Reese with GMASS Inc. has the capability to that can correct the homestead exemption base values for 2020 before assessment notices are mailed.

Vice-Chair Johnsen made a motion to contract with GMASS to correct the values as proposed by Chief Appraiser Bishop. Seconded by Assessor Wojcik.

The motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment:

Assessor Frizzell made a motion to adjourn the January 9, 2020 meeting. Seconded by Vice-Chair Johnsen.

The vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

The next Board of Assessors meeting will be held January 23, 2020 at 6:00 pm in the Commissioners' Meeting Chambers.



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