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Amanda Brown, Chairman  
Kayla Segar, Vice Chairman  
Elaine Evans  
Morris Cleveland

The Hart County Board of Assessors met on Monday, May 22, 2023. Those in attendance were Board of Assessor members Amanda Brown, Kayla Segars, Elaine Evans and Morris Cleveland. Chief Appraiser Shane Hix, Kris Dickerson, Brad Goss and Kelly Seymour were present for the office staff. William Fogerty and Ronnie Weaver from the public were also in attendance.

Ms. Seymour took minutes for the meeting.

Ms. Brown called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Mr. Goss said the prayer.

Ms. Brown welcomed and introduced everyone in attendance. Mr. Hix announced the new office staff member, Robby Taylor.

Ms. Brown requested a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Evans made the first motion, and Mr. Cleveland made the second. The motion passed 4-0.

Ms. Brown requested a motion to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2023 meeting. Ms. Segars made the motion, and Ms. Evans made the second. The motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Fogerty gave his current presentation on uniformity on lake subdivisions. He compared York Shores and Reed Creek Trail. He presented his review of subdivisions and their amenities. Mr. Fogerty believes that amenities adds extra value, and the amenities should be calculated in valuing properties. His observation of amenities include: no overhead utilities, curbs, paved roads, entrances and other fanfare. Mr. Fogerty stated that Mr. Hix will be joining the Hart County Property Owner's Association meeting in July to answer questions and concerns from the tax payers.

Ms. Seymour presented the five auto appeals. Mr. Cleveland made the motion to approve the appeal list. Ms. Segars made the second. The motion passed 4-0. The list is included in the minutes.

Mr. Hix presented the CUVA approvals. Ms. Segars made the first motion, and Ms. Evans made the second. The motion passed 4-0. The list is attached to the minutes.

Mr. Hix presented two S5 Homestead Exemptions for Veterans. C45-050 and C16-026. Mr. Cleveland made the motion to approve the applicants. Ms. Segars made the second. The motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Hix presented one L1 Homestead Exemption for senior citizens. The application was made before the April 1<sup>st</sup> deadline, but the new house was added to the property card after the other homestead exemption approvals during the April meeting. Ms. Segars made the motion to approve, and Ms. Evans made the second. The motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Hix presented the 2023 Timber Values that are set by the state. Ms. Segars made the first, and Ms. Evans made the second. The motion passed 4-0. The value schedule is attached to the minutes.

Mr. Hix presented the 2023 CUVA values that are also set by the state. Ms. Evans made the first motion, and Ms. Segars making the second. The motion passed 3-1 with Mr. Cleveland voting against. The value schedule is attached to the minutes.

Mr. Hix gave the Board the list of Freeport applicants. Mr. Hix gave a brief discussion on what qualifies each applicant for Freeport. Mr. Cleveland made the motion to approve the list, and Ms. Evans made the second. The motion passed 4-0. The list is attached to the minutes.

Mr. Hix also gave the Board the list of Freeport denials. Mr. Hix, Ms. Seymour, and Ms. Dickerson gave explanations on why these businesses were denied their Freeport. Ms. Segars made the motion to accept the denial list, and Mr. Cleveland made the second. The motion passed 4-0. The list is attached to the minutes.

Ms. Brown requested a motion for Mr. Hix to be able to sign the Freeport applications in lieu of the Board. Ms. Segars made the first motion, and Ms. Evans made the second. The motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Hix gave his monthly Chief Appraiser's Report. He discussed his busy month's schedule, provided the updates with the new Mobile Assessor software, and he talked about the schedules and tables are currently being compiled. Mr. Hix also stated that the homestead applications, boat and business returns, and permits have all been completed. The staff is almost finished and ready to upload the digest for assessment notices to be mailed to property owners. Mr. Hix also reported that he will be headed to Caveat in Athens this week.

Ms. Brown gave her Assessor's Report. There is a letter that has been drafted, and it will be sent certified mail to Margaret Sherman regarding her request of the Board.

There was no old business.


There was no new business.


Mr. Weaver spoke during public comment. He discussed his concerns regarding uniformity in his mother's subdivision in the City of Hartwell. Ms. Brown assured Mr. Weaver that the staff will be looking into his latest concerns.


Ms. Brown requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Segars made the first, and Ms. Evans made the second. The motion passed 4-0.

The meeting adjourned at 10:31 a.m.

  
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\* Documents are attached to the original minutes in the Tax Assessors Office.