

Hart County Board of Assessors P.O. Box 810 194 Cade Street Hartwell, GA 30643 (706) 376-3997

Board Members: Steve Carswell, Chairman David Thompson, Vice chairman David Setchel Bill Myers Amanda Brown

The Hart County Board of Assessors met Tuesday, June 9th, 2020, for a called meeting at the Hart County Appraisal Department. Due to the ongoing problems in our country with COVID-19, the meeting was held electronically to protect the staff at the appraiser's office, the Tax Assessor Board, and any member of the press or general public who might wish to be involved. Those in attendance were Board of Assessor members Steve Carswell, David Thompson, Bill Myers, and Amanda Brown. Wayne Patrick, Chief Appraiser, Shane Hix, Deputy Chief Appraiser, Kelly Fay, Brad Goss, and Zach Marcengill were present for the office staff. David Setchel was absent from the meeting.

Zach Marcengill took minutes for the meeting.

Mr. Carswell called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

Mr. Brad Goss opened the meeting with a prayer.

Mr. Carswell requested a motion to accept the minutes of the May 19th, 2020 meeting. The motion to approve was made by Mr. Thompson. Mr. Myers seconded, and the motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Myers seconded, and the motion was passed 4-0.

Mr. Patrick discussed approval of schedules and tables for 2020 digest and assessments.

Ms. Kelly Seymour presented 61 CUV applications for approval.

Mr. Myers made a motion to approve. Mr. Thompson seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

Ms. Kelly Seymour presented one CUV denial.

After much discussion, Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve.

Ms. Brown seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Patrick discussed Freeport Inventory Exemption applications.

Mr. Patrick presented 1 exemption application for denial.

After discussion among board members, Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve.

Mr. Myers seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Patrick presented a list of 32 exemption applications for approval.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve. Ms. Brown seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Patrick presented a list of Homestead Exemption approvals.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve. Mr. Carswell seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Patrick presented a list of 3 Homestead Exemption denials.

After discussion among board members,

Mr. Myers made a motion to approve. Ms. Brown seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Patrick presented a list of Homestead Exemption removals.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve. Mr. Myers seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Patrick discussed productivity values, lake subdivisions, and before and after ratios with the board members.

Mr. Patrick also discussed the approval of schedule values and tables used to produce 2020 assessments.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve. Mr. Myers seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Patrick discussed approval for the release of 2020 assessment notices.

Mr. Myers made a motion to approve. Mr. Thompson seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Patrick presented a letter concerning safety precautions due to COVID-19, which will be mailed with each assessment notice, requesting the public limit any unnecessary interaction by contacting the office via mail, email, or telephone.

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve. Ms. Brown seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

There was no old business.

For new business, Mr. Patrick discussed the decision to open the doors or remain closed. Mr. Carswell suggested staying closed, and continuing phone, email, and postal communications. The other board members agreed.

There was no public comment.

Mr. Carswell requested a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:34 a.m. Mr. Myers made such motion. Ms. Brown seconded, and the motion passed 4-0.

The meeting adjourned at 10:34 a.m.

Steve Carswell, Chairman	David Thompson, Vice Chairman
Amanda Brown	Bill Myers
David Setchel	

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