

PAGE TOWNSHIP
Board of Appeal & Equalization Meeting
April 25, 2018

BOARD MEMBERS: Dan Peterson, Jake Janski, Jason Theisen, and Kyle Weimann

ML COUNTY ASSESSOR'S OFFICE: Al Heim, Kurt Beckstrom, and Lisa.

LANDOWNERS: Ed Straka, Rose Webster, Rita Bilek

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Peterson called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM. Chair Peterson reminded attendees of the Town's meeting rules and the powers of the Township for the meeting.

2. **Review Page Township Market Value Trends**

Assessor Heim presented on market trends in Page Township. Overall up 5.69% 2017-2018. Township residential up 7.87%. Building site value county-wide up \$2,600. Market is strong across the county, including by the Lake.

3. **Review Purpose, Powers, and Limitations of Meeting**

Kurt Beckstrom said that the Assessor has completed its review; this is an opportunity for landowners to appeal. The Board is limited to adjustments totaling 1% of township-wide market value.

4. **Appeals and Equalization Hearings**

-- **Ed Straka (15-017-0700)** -Straka said that his house was damaged by a flood in 2016. Beckstrom said that the Assessor reviewed the property to review the property and recommended that the value be reduced to \$72,000. **Chair Peterson motioned to accept Assessor's recommendation to reduce value of 15-017-0700 to \$72,000; Sup. Theisen seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

-- **Rose Webster (15-024-0700)** - Webser questioned the \$4,200 increase on the property value. Beckstrom said that the value went up due to overall market conditions based on actual sales in Page Township. Assessor recommends no change. **Chair Peterson motioned to accept the Assessor's recommendation to not change the value of 15-024-0700; Sup. Theisen seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

-- **Alois (Rita) Bilek (15-024-0500)** - Bilek said that the assessed value up had increased approximately \$100,000 since 2016. Assessor would like to review the property to verify that the information is correct. The County can make an adjustment to 2018 value for 2019 taxes even if the Township does not accept a change at this point. Beckstrom said that the value is similar to other houses with similar size and construction in Page Township. Beckstrom recommended lay it over while Assessor investigates for County Board on June 11th at 6:00pm at the County Courthouse. **Chair Peterson motioned to lay over 15-024-0500 for County consideration; Sup. Theisen seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

-- **Amanda Marshik (15-027-1004)** and **Marc Slaughter (15-027-1005)** Beckstrom said that both are 5.4 acre lots off 205th Street with incomplete houses. They had been counted as a full building site but are now owned by the adjacent owners. Beckstrom recommended reducing the land value from \$37,600 to \$18,100 for each. **Chair Peterson motioned to lower the site values from \$37,600**

to \$18,100 for 15-027-1004 and 15-027-1005; Sup. Theisen seconded. Motion carried unanimously..

-- **Mitchell Quaal (15-004-0104)** - Beckstrom said that the house sold in November but the house is in poor condition with an addition falling away from the original house. Beckstrom recommended lowering value from \$249,600 to \$207,000. **Chair Peterson motioned to follow Assessor's recommendation to lower the value of 15-004-0104 to \$207,000; Sup. Theisen seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

5. Public Comment

Beckstrom mentioned that he will be leaving the Assessor's office as of May 4th.

6. Adjournment

Chair Peterson motioned to adjourn at 11:08am; Sup. Theisen seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted By:

Approved:

Kyle Weimann, Town Clerk

Daniel Peterson Town Board Chairperson

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