

TOWN OF BUCHANAN, OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WI MINUTES OF BOARD OF REVIEW AUGUST 18, 2021; 6:00-8:00 P.M. BUCHANAN TOWN HALL, N178 COUNTY RD N, APPLETON, WI 54915

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Clerk Sieracki called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Board members present – Sprangers, Reinke, Walsh, Kavanaugh, and Lawrence. Also present were Board of Review Clerk Sieracki and Josh Spatz of Accurate Appraisal.

CONFIRMATION OF APPROPRIATE BOARD OF REVIEW & OPEN MEETINGS NOTICES: Clerk Sieracki verified this was done.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited.

SELECT A CHAIRPERSON FOR BOARD OF REVIEW:

Board elected Walsh as a Chairperson. Motion made by Lawrence/Kavanaugh carried 5 to 0.

SELECT A VICE-CHAIRPERSON FOR BOARD OF REVIEW:

Board elected Lawrence as a Vice-Chair. Motion made by Walsh/Kavanaugh carried 5 to 0.

VERIFY THAT A MEMBER HAS MET THE MANDATORY TRAINING REQUIREMENTS:

It was noted that Wisconsin Department of Revenue training requirements have been met by the Board and has been filed with the DOR. Karen Lawrence and Dennis Reinke have met this requirement.

VERIFY THAT THE TOWN HAS AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF INCOME AND EXPENSE INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THE ASSESSOR UNDER STATE LAW (SEC. 70.47(f)af): This is in chapter 133 of the Town Municipal Code.

REVIEW OF THE NEW LAWS: Sieracki stated these changes Section 9: One Board of Review member must attend BOR training once every year – Effective January 1, 2022 and Section 99-102: Filing requirements to share omitted property taxes – Effective January 1, 2022.

SUMMARY OF 2021 ANNUAL ASSESSMENT REPORT BY TOWN ASSESSOR: Town Assessor Spatz gave an over view on the revalue process and the number of properties that were visited and the number of valid sales. He also stated that 2290 notices were sent out and 134 property owners attended the Open Book. The overall average increase is 6.43%.

RECEIPT OF THE 2021 ASSESSMENT ROLL BY CLERK FROM THE ASSESSOR: Clerk Sieracki received the 2021 assessment roll from the Town Assessor Spatz.

RECEIVE THE ASSESSMENT ROLL AND SWORN STATEMENTS FROM THE CLERK: Clerk Sieracki presented the assessment roll and sworn statements to the Board of Review.

REVIEW THE ASSESSMENT ROLL AND PERFORM STATUTORY DUTIES:

Examine the roll Correct description or calculation errors

Add Omitted property, and Eliminate double assessed property

The Board reviewed and discussed the assessment roll with Accurate Appraisal including changes from the previous year.

DISCUSS/ACTION – CERTIFY ALL CORRECTIONS OF ERROR UNDER STATE LAW (SEC 70.43, WIS STATS): The BOR discussed.

DISCUSS/ACTION – VERIFY WITH THE ASSESSOR THAT OPEN BOOK CHANGES ARE INCLUDED IN THE ASSESSMENT ROLL: The Assessor verified that the Open Book Changes are included in the Assessment Roll.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE 2021 ASSESSMENT ROLL: Motion by Sprangers/Kavanaugh to approve the 2021 Assessment Roll. Motion carried 5 to 0.

ALLOW TAXPAYERS TO EXAMINE ASSESSMENT DATA: Taxpayer Linda Olson was present to examined the assessment data.

DURING THE FIRST TWO HOURS, CONSIDERATION OF:

Waivers of the required 48-hour notice of intent to file an objection when there is good cause Requests for waiver of the BOR hearing allowing the property owner to appeal directly to circuit court

Act on any other legally allowed/required Board of Review matters

No appointments were taken during the meeting

REVIEW NOTICES OF INTENT TO FILE OBJECTION, IF APPLICABLE: None were filed.

PROCEED TO HEAR OBJECTIONS, IF ANY AND IF PROPER NOTICE/WAIVERS GIVEN UNLESS SCHEDULED FOR ANOTHER DATE: None.

CONSIDER/ACT ON SCHEDULING ADDITIONAL BOARD OF REVIEW DATE(S): None needed.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Lawrence/Kavanaugh to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Recording Clerk: Cynthia Sieracki, Clerk Drafted: August 19, 2021