

Berkeley County Council Meeting

February 1, 2022

Board of Review & Equalization

2:00 P.M.

400 W. Stephen Street, Suite 205

Martinsburg, WV 25401

Present:

Dan Dulyea, President Pro Tem

James R. Barnhart, Councilperson

G. Edgar Gochenour, Councilperson

Alan J. Davis, County Administrator

Penny Shewell, Office Administrator

President Copenhaver and Vice President Whitacre were not present for the meeting.

Also Present: The Honorable Larry Hess, Assessor; John Streets, Assessor's Office; Rhonda Loudan, Assessor's Office; Doc Trenary, Assessor's Office; Anthony Delligatti, Legal Director; Jennifer Swisher, 9-1-1 Director; Paula Wilson, Deputy 9-1-1 Director; Gary Wine, Deputy County Administrator

Re: Call to Order

President Pro Tem Dulyea called the February 1, 2022 Berkeley County Council Meeting Sitting as the Board of Review & Equalization to Order at 2:00 P.M.

Re: Agenda

Councilperson Barnhart made a motion to approve the Agenda for the February 1, 2022 Berkeley County Council meeting. Councilperson Gochenour seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Re: Board of Review & Equalization – Session # 2

Larry Hess, Assessor

The Honorable Larry Hess, Assessor appeared before the Council and stated there were no applicants for Board of Review today, however they did have changes to the books.

Doc Trenary, Assessor's Office appeared before the Council and presented the following changes to the books for Managed Timber:

- **Thomas & Billy Grossi – Map & Parcel 04-27-18**

Current Appraised Land Value	\$201,300
Current Appraised Building Value	\$393,000
Total:	\$594,300
Current Assessed Land Value	\$120,780
Current Assessed Building Value	\$230,800
Total:	\$356,580

Proposed Appraised Land Value	\$115,800
Proposed Appraised Building Value	\$230,800
Total:	\$508,800
Proposed Assessed Land Value	\$ 69,480
Proposed Assessed Building Value	\$235,800
Total:	\$305,280

Councilperson Gochenour made a motion to approve the changes to the books for Map & Parcel 04-27-18. Councilperson Barnhart seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

- **John Lavovitz– Map & Parcel 03-14-14**

Current Appraised Land Value	127,800
Current Appraised Building Value	\$0
Total:	\$127,800
Current Assessed Land Value	\$ 76,680
Current Assessed Building Value	\$0
Total:	\$76,680

Proposed Appraised Land Value	\$0
Proposed Appraised Building Value	\$0
Total:	\$0
Proposed Assessed Land Value	\$0
Proposed Assessed Building Value	\$0
Total:	\$0

Councilperson Barnhart made a motion to approve the changes to the books for Map & Parcel 03-14-14. Councilperson Gochenour seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Trenary reviewed the following changes to the books:

- **Rohan Mohite – Map & Parcel 07-6L-477**

Current Appraised Land Value	\$ 43,400
Current Appraised Building Value	\$134,700
Total:	\$178,100
Current Assessed Land Value	\$ 26,040
Current Assessed Building Value	\$ 80,820
Total:	\$106,860

Proposed Appraised Land Value	\$ 43,400
Proposed Appraised Building Value	\$152,500
Total:	\$195,900
Proposed Assessed Land Value	\$ 26,040
Proposed Assessed Building Value	\$ 91,500
Total:	\$117,540

Councilperson Barnhart made a motion to approve the changes to the books for Map & Parcel 07-6L-477. Councilperson Gochenour seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

- Dorothy Blankley – Map & Parcel 04-36-4.2**
 Current Appraised Land Value \$ 58,000
 Current Appraised Building Value \$ 96,700
Total: \$154,700
 Current Assessed Land Value \$ 34,800
 Current Assessed Building Value \$ 58,020
Total: \$ 92,820

 Proposed Appraised Land Value \$ 58,000
 Proposed Appraised Building Value \$108,500
Total: \$166,500
 Proposed Assessed Land Value \$ 34,800
 Proposed Assessed Building Value \$ 65,100
Total: \$ 99,900

Councilperson Barnhart made a motion to approve the change to the books for Map & Parcel 04-36-4.2. Councilperson Gochenour seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

- Thomas & Billy Grossi – Map & Parcel 04-27-18**
 Current Appraised Land Value \$201,300
 Current Appraised Building Value \$393,000
Total: \$594,300
 Current Assessed Land Value \$120,780
 Current Assessed Building Value \$230,800
Total: \$356,580

 Proposed Appraised Land Value \$115,800
 Proposed Appraised Building Value \$230,800
Total: \$508,800
 Proposed Assessed Land Value \$ 69,480
 Proposed Assessed Building Value \$235,800
Total: \$305,280

John Streets, Assessor’s Office appeared before the Council and reviewed the following changes to the books:

- Potomac Park Campgrounds – Map & Parcel 02-7-228**
 Current Appraised Land Value \$1,452,700
 Current Appraised Building Value \$4,135,500
Total: \$5,588,200
 Current Assessed Land Value \$ 871,620
 Current Assessed Building Value \$2,481,300
Total: \$3,352,920

 Proposed Appraised Land Value \$1,452,700
 Proposed Appraised Building Value \$4,123,000
Total: \$5,575,700
 Proposed Assessed Land Value \$ 871,620
 Proposed Assessed Building Value \$2,473,800
Total: \$3,345,420

**Re: Maria Lorensen, Development Director, Hospice of the Panhandle
FY2022-23 Budget Presentation**

Maria Lorensen, Development Director, Hospice of the Panhandle appeared before the Council and presented their FY2022-23 budget requesting \$1,750. Mrs. Lorensen reviewed the new programs being offered by Hospice.

**Re: Jennifer Swisher, 9-1-1 Director
FY2022-23 Budget Presentation**

Jennifer Swisher, 9-1-1 Director appeared before the Council and reviewed their budget reviewing each line item. She also reviewed where the 9-1-1 fees are being spent and updated the Council on the scheduling software and training.

**Re: Floyd Kursey, Supervisor, Eastern Panhandle Conservation District
FY2022-23 Budget Presentation**

Floyd Kursey, Supervisor, Eastern Panhandle Conservation District appeared before the Council and presented their FY2022-23 budget requesting \$5,000. He reviewed the services provided by the Conservation District.

**Re: Mark Jordan, Executive Director, Convention & Visitor's Bureau
FY2022-23 Budget Presentation**

Mark Jordan, Executive Director, Convention & Visitor's Bureau appeared before the Council and presented their FY2022-23 budget requesting \$350,000 which includes 50% of the hotel/motel tax. Mr. Jordan stated that Berkeley County was the top county for GEO cashing.

**Re: Gary Wine, Deputy County Administrator
FY 2022-23 Budget Presentation
Vehicle Declaration of Surplus
COPS Grant Outfitting of Vehicles**

Gary Wine, Deputy County Administrator appeared before the Council and reviewed the budgets for the IT Department and Central Garage reviewing each line item.

Mr. Wine also reviewed the request to declare vehicles as surplus.

Councilperson Gochenour made a motion to approve the vehicles requested by Mr. Wine to be declared as surplus. Councilperson Barnhart seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Wine reviewed the vehicle outfitting request for the COPS grant.

Councilperson Barnhart made a motion to approve the request for vehicle outfitting for the COPS grant. Councilperson Gochenour seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Re: Recess

Councilperson Barnhart made a motion to Recess the February 1, 2022 Berkeley County Council meeting.

Submitted by: Penny Shewell

Penny Shewell, Office Administrator