

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY
BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION
OF MOWER COUNTY, MINNESOTA,
AT ITS REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING
June 28, 2011

The Board of Appeal and Equalization of Mower County, Minnesota, convened their annual session in the Commissioner's room of the Mower County Government Center at Austin, Minnesota, at 1:00 p.m. on June 28, 2011.

The following members were present and subscribed to the Oath of the Board of Appeal and Equalization: Doug Groh, County Auditor-Treasurer

Staff Present: Richard Peterson, Mower County Assessor
 Jody LeVasseur, Deputy Assessor
 Joy Kanne, Property Appraiser

Appellants: Tony Warmka, George Winkels, Margaret Condon, Rick Lamon, Ed Koppen, Dave Lunning, Mike Adams

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Tucker to reconvene the Board of Appeal and Equalization recessed from June 14, 2011 and note that no additional appeals will be heard at this meeting. Motion carried.

Richard Peterson provided a report indicating how appeals based on the amount of taxes owed is misleading.

The appeal of Tony Warmka was discussed.

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Doug Groh to approve the appeal of Tony Warmka in regard to parcel 29.005.0430 by adjusting the value of the building on the property from \$462,900 to \$214,700. Motion carried. Commissioner Bennett abstained.

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Ankeny to deny the appeal of Tony Warmka in regard to the commercial value of parcel 29.005.0350. Motion carried. Commissioner Bennett abstained

The appeal of George Winkels was discussed regarding parcel number 21.009.0390. The Assessor provided data for comparable properties.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to reject the appeal of George Winkels in regard to land value on parcel 21.009.0390 and maintain the value. Motion carried.

The appeal of Margaret Condon was discussed regarding parcel number 11.028.0040. The Assessor provided data for comparable properties.

Motion made by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz to reject the appeal of Margaret Condon in regard to land value on parcel 11.028.0040 and maintain the value. Motion carried.

The appeal of John Ryther was discussed regarding the classification of parcel number 08.021.0100.

Motion made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Ankeny to reject the appeal of John Ryther in regard to the classification of parcel 08.021.0100 and maintain the classification. Motion carried.

The appeal of Rick Lamon was discussed regarding the commercial value of his building on parcel 26.001.0550.

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve the appeal of Rick Lamon in regard to the building valuation of parcel 26.001.0550 and value the building at \$137,900. The Commissioners voted as follows: Commissioner Bennett aye, Commissioner Reinartz aye, Commissioner Tucker aye, Commissioner Ankeny nay, Doug Groh nay, and Commissioner Gabrielson aye. Motion carried 4-2.

The appeal of Ed Koppen was discussed regarding the commercial value of his hardware business, parcel numbers 26.001.0560, 26.001.0570, and 26.001.0580.

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Tucker to take the following actions on Mr. Koppen's appeals:

1. Parcel 26.001.0560 – reject the appeal and maintain value;
2. Parcel 26.001.0570 – approve the appeal and reduce the building value from \$23,400 to \$5,300; and
3. Parcel 26.001.0580 – approve the appeal and reduce the building value from \$41,000 to \$5,500.

Motion carried.

The appeal of Martin Allen was discussed regarding the property value on parcel number 16.009.0090.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to reject the appeal of Martin Allen in regard to the value of parcel 16.009.0090 and maintain the value. Motion carried.

The appeal of Dave Lunning was discussed regarding the commercial value on parcel number 26.005.0206.

Motion made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz to approve the appeal of Dave Lunning in regard to parcel 26.005.0206 by adjusting the value of the building on the property from \$245,500 to \$80,600. Motion carried.

The appeal of Mike Adams was discussed regarding the value on parcel number 05.034.0010.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Tucker to approve the appeal of Mike Adams in regard to parcel 05.034.0010 by adjusting the building value from \$351,500 to \$334,400 to be prorated between the B & B and the house. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Tucker, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz to adjourn the meeting at 3:57 p.m. Motion carried.

THE BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION

BY: _____
Chairperson

Attest:

By: _____
County Auditor-Treasurer

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