

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY  
BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION  
OF MOWER COUNTY, MINNESOTA

June 25, 2013

The Board of Appeal and Equalization of Mower County, Minnesota, re-convened their annual session in the Board Room of the Mower County Government Center at Austin, Minnesota, at 1:00 p.m. on June 25, 2013.

The following members were present and subscribed to the Oath of the Board of Appeal and Equalization:

- Jerry Reinartz, Chair
- Tony Bennett, Vice Chair
- Polly Glynn
- Mike Ankeny
- Craig Oscarson, County Coordinator
- Linda Ehmke, Chief Deputy County Auditor-Treasurer

Staff Present: Joy Kanne, Mower County Assessor, Mike Harrington and Candace Lahann, Property Appraisers, and Renee Thorpe, Property Appraiser Trainee

Appellants: Tom Sherman/USEM, Tony Warmka, Jim Hartson and Clyde Horne

Since there was a quorum, at the request of the County Auditor-Treasurer earlier in the day, the Chief Deputy County Auditor-Treasurer, Linda Ehmke, was excused from the meeting.

Motion made by Commissioner Glynn, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to accept the report of the County Assessor regarding Mower County valuations as of January 2013 for taxes payable 2014 subject to appeals. Motion carried.

The County Assessor provided a report on the appeal of Tom Sherman on parcel 34.539.0051 and recommended no change.

Motion made by Commissioner Gabrielson, seconded by Commissioner Glynn to approve the Assessor's recommendation and reject the appeal of Tom Sherman on parcel 34.539.0051. Motion carried.

The County Assessor provided a report on the appeal of Marlys Peterson on parcel 18.018.0023 and recommended no change.

Motion made by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Ankeny to accept the Assessor's recommendation and reject the appeal of Marlys Peterson on parcel 18.018.0023. Motion carried.

The County Assessor provided a report on the appeal of Tony Warmka on parcel 25.004.0280 and recommended a ten percent reduction in building value to \$162,000.

Motion made by Commissioner Glynn, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to accept the Assessor's recommendation to adjust the building value by decreasing the 2013 assessed value 10% from a value of \$180,700 to a value of \$162,000 on the Tony Warmka property, parcel 25.004.0280. Motion carried. Commissioner Bennett abstained.

The County Assessor provided a report on the appeal of Hartson on parcel and recommended a change in the pole shed value to \$97,700. A discussion followed concerning the equitable valuation of grain bins throughout the County.

Motion made by Commissioner Gabrielson, (after the second request for a second to the motion, Commissioner Reinartz turned the meeting over to the Vice-Chair, Tony Bennett) seconded by Commissioner Reinartz to reduce the building values on the Jim Hartson property, parcel 19.027.0025 by \$112,600 by reducing the grain bin value from \$68,200 to \$49,200 and the pole shed value from \$191,300 to \$97,700. The Commissioner's voted as follows: Commissioner Gabrielson aye, Commissioner Glynn nay, Commissioner Reinartz aye, Commissioner Ankeny nay, Commissioner Bennett aye. Motion carried 3-2.

The County Assessor provided a report on the appeal of Clyde Horne on parcel 19.023.0010 and recommended no change.

Motion made by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Ankeny to approve the Assessor's recommendation and reject the appeal of Clyde Horne on parcel 19.023.0010. Motion carried.

The Assessor also recommended adjusting the 2013 values on three additional properties as follows:

Owner	Parcel #	Assessed Value	New Recommended Value
BJC Companies	34.114.0035	\$567,600	\$540,800
George & Linda Winkels	21.009.0390	\$252,900	\$225,800
Robin Winkels	21.009.0395	\$174,500	\$163,500

Motion made by Commissioner Glynn, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to accept the Assessor's recommendation for reducing the 2013 assessed values on three additional properties as follows:

Owner	Parcel #	Assessed Value	New Value
BJC Companies	34.114.0035	\$567,600	\$540,800
George & Linda Winkels	21.009.0390	\$252,900	\$225,800
Robin Winkels	21.009.0395	\$174,500	\$163,500

Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Gabrielson, seconded by Commissioner Glynn to approve the minutes of the Board of Appeal and Equalization for June 17 and June 25, 2013 subject to the review of the Chair and the County Auditor-Treasurer. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to adjourn the Board of Appeal and Equalization at 1:43 p.m. Motion carried.

**THE BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION**

**BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Chairperson**

**Attest:**

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**County Auditor-Treasurer**

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