

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

June 15, 2015

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 6:00 p.m. on June 15, 2015.

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

Mike Ankeny, Chair
Tim Gabrielson
Polly Glynn
Jerry Reinartz
Tony Bennett
Steven Reinartz, County Auditor-Treasurer
Craig Oscarson, County Coordinator

Staff Present: Joy Kanne, Mower County Assessor
Renee Thorpe, Property Appraiser

The Chair called the meeting to order and the County Coordinator as Clerk of the Mower County Board administered the oath. The Chair asked for the assessor's report.

Joy Kanne, County Assessor, presented a written report dated June 15, 2015 which is on file in the Assessor's office. The report included information on the total estimated market value for Mower County at \$4.7 billion for the 2015 assessment, value added for new construction at approximately \$14.5 million, Residential class property sales and sales ratio, Agricultural class property and sales ratio, commercial sales ratio and detail of estimated market value by city and township.

Jim Hartson, property owner, addressed the Board as to whether the county was equally assessed according to his research. Mr. Hartson believes there are a number of properties which he considers to have buildings omitted and therefore is concerned if there is total equity in the county. Mr. Hartson suggested the Board should consider doing a county-wide re-appraisal similar to the prior county-wide re-appraisal previously completed for commercial properties. The Board and staff explained the quintile method (5 year process) and the Board stated they felt that process was sound. Mr. Hartson stated he did not have any individual appeals.

The County Assessor completed the annual report and requested approval of changes to two properties.

Motion made by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to approve the following changes to the Assessor's report:

Property Owner	Parcel No.	Prior Value	Approved New Value
Toren & Lindsay Bires	08.015.0301	\$379,200	\$403,400
Jerry Tienter	29.003.0050	76,500	64,000

Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Glynn to accept the assessor's report as amended by the prior motion. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Gabrielson, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to adjourn at 7:04 p.m. Motion carried.

THE BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION

BY: _____
Chairperson

Attest:
By: _____
County Auditor-Treasurer

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