Gilmer County Board of Assessors

Meeting Minutes

OCTOBER 19, 2023

Gilmer County Courthouse

1 Broad Street, Suite 104, Ellijay, Georgia

Members attending: Bill Logan, Gerald Davis, Gary Engel, John Williamson, Lisa Bradley

Staff attending: Theresa Gooch, Chief Appraiser, Lacy Ryan, Deputy Chief Appraiser, Donna Walker, Secretary

David Clark: County Attorney

Mike Andrews: Times Courier

1. CALL TO ORDER: Bill Logan called the meeting to order at 3:00 P.M.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2023: Upon motion of Lisa Bradley, seconded by Gary Engel, to accept the minutes as presented Vote: Yes- Logan/Davis/Engel/Williamson/Bradley.
2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Upon motion of Gary Engel, seconded by John Williamson, to approve the agenda as presented. Vote: Yes- Logan/Davis/Engel/Williamson/Bradley.
3. OLD BUSINESS:
4. Superior Court Appeal – 2067 106B – To be discussed in Executive Session.
5. DOAA – Ms. Gooch stated the arbitration hearing is set for Friday, October 20th.
6. NEW BUSINESS:
7. Expenditure Budget Report – September – Not available.
8. PUBLIC UTILITIES – Ms. Gooch stated she is still working with the Department of Revenue concerning operating and non-operating public utilities in the county.
9. HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS – Upon motion of Gary Engel, seconded by John Williamson to approve the list as presented. Vote: Yes- Logan/Davis/Engel/Williamson/Bradley.
10. REAL PROPERTY CHANGES: E&R’s – Upon motion of Gerald Davis, seconded by Gary Engel to approve the list as presented. Vote: Yes- Logan/Davis/Engel/Williamson/Bradley.
11. MANUFACTURED HOME CHANGES: None.
12. PERSONAL PROPERTY CHANGES:
13. E&R’s – Upon motion of Gerald Davis, seconded by Lisa Bradley to approve the list as presented. Vote: Yes- Logan/Davis/Engel/Williamson/Bradley.
14. Vehicle Appeals – Upon motion of Lisa Bradley, seconded by Gerald Davis to approve the list as presented. Vote: Yes- Logan/Davis/Engel/Williamson/Bradley.
15. CHIEF APPRAISER’S COMMENTS: Ms. Gooch stated Board of Equalization has started, the appraisers are working in the field.
16. CHAIRMAN’S COMMENTS: Mr. Logan stated the staff is doing a great job.
17. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Ms. McNeil spoke to the board regarding property they purchased in 2022. Their deed stated it was one track of land but prior to the purchase, the prior owner had split the parcel into 4 lots and platted it as a small subdivision. After discussion, the board stated they could not change the lot configuration for 2023. Upon motion of Gerald Davis, seconded by Gary Engel to value the property for 2023 at the purchase price with the stipulation that the lots be combined back into one parcel for 2024. Vote: Yes- Logan/Davis/Engel/Williamson/Bradley.
18. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Upon motion of Gerald Davis, seconded by Gary Engel to suspend the regular meeting at 3:21 P.M and go into Executive Session. Vote: Yes- Logan/Davis/Engel/Williamson/Bradley.

Upon motion of Gary Engel, seconded by Gerald Davis to resume the regular meeting at 4:05 P.M. with the following actions being taken:

Upon motion of Gerald Davis, seconded by Gary Engel to move forward with the Superior Court appeal 2067 106B as discussed and personnel as discussed. Vote: Yes- Logan/Davis/Engel/Williamson/Bradley.

1. ADJOURNMENT: Upon motion of Gary Engel, seconded by Gerald Davis to adjourn the meeting at 4:06 P.M. Vote: Yes- Logan/Davis/Engel/Williamson/Bradley.

Minutes accepted on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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Bill Logan, Chairman Donna Walker, Secretary