



# Columbus, Georgia, Board of Tax Assessors

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Suzanne Widenhouse

## MINUTES #04-26

Chairman Jayne Govar calls the Columbus, Georgia Board of Assessors' meeting to order on Wednesday, Jan 28th, 2026 at 9:02 A.M.

### PRESENT ARE:

Chairman Jayne Govar  
Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks  
Assessor Kathy Jones  
Assessor Doug Jefcoat  
Assessor Clay Hood  
Chief Appraiser/Secretary Suzanne Widenhouse  
Recording Secretary Katrina Culpepper

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Assessor Jones motions to accept the agenda. Assessor Jefcoat seconds and the motion carries.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Assessor Jefcoat motions to accept minutes as presented. Assessor Jones seconds and the motion carries.

### MISCELLANEOUS:

- CAVEAT 2026 details released by Dept of Revenue discussed. Registration will be open in March.

At 9:15, Personal Property Manager Stacy Pollard presents to the Board:

- Motor Vehicle Appeal - Signed & Approved.
- 2026 Marine Blue Book - reviewed & approved last week, brought back for approval signatures.
- Aircraft Blue Book Approval - reviewed & approved last week, brought back for approval signatures.
- VREF Aircraft Valuation Approval - reviewed & approved last week, brought back for approval signatures.

At 9:18, Administrative Manager Mary Hale presents to the Board:

- Certified Appeal to BOE - placed into record.
- Homesteads - #088 032 003; 066 039 006; 109 002 027; 191 024 017; 101 014 044; 093 012 084; 115 020 013; 110 004 017; 068 035 006 - Signed & Approved.

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At 9:47, Real Property Manager Jeff Milam presents to the Board:

- Late Appeals Agenda - placed into record.
- Waiver & Release # 004 011 006B; 066 041 001; 087 028 001; 028 023 007; 028 023 004; 073 021 037 - Signed by Chairman Govar.
- BOE Results - placed into record.
- Exemption Release - # 044 002 043 - Signed & Approved.

At 10:06, Deputy Chief Glen Thomason presents to the Board:

- Map Splits - #193 001 038, 038H; 048; 178 013014, 015 - Signed & Approved.

At 10:09, Chief Appraiser Widenhouse presents to the Board:

- Discussion of Detention Ponds - will revisit next month.

Assessor Hood motions to adjourn the meeting. Assessor Jones seconds and the motion carries. At 10:53, Chairman Jayne Govar adjourns the meeting without any objections.

Suzanne Widenhouse  
Chief Appraiser/Secretary

APPROVED:  2/4/2026

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