

# Columbus, Georgia, Board of Tax Assessors

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**Board Members** 

Jayne Govar Chairman Kathy Jones Assessor Clay Hood Assessor Doug Jefcoat Assessor Lanitra Sandifer Hicks Vice Chairman

Chief Appraiser Suzanne Widenhouse

# **MINUTES #37-25**

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>: Chairman Jayne Govar calls the Columbus, Georgia Board of Assessors' meeting to order on Wednesday, Oct 15th, 2025 at 9:00 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

<u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA:</u> Assessor Hood motions to accept the agenda with noted change. Assessor Jones seconds and the motion carries.

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

#### MISCELLANEOUS:

- Reminder that Assessor Jefcoat and Assessor Hood will be in class Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> to Nov 7<sup>th</sup>.
   Assessor Jones motions to excuse their absence for that meeting. Chairman Govar seconds and the motion carries.
- Results of Food Drive Chief Appraiser shares that the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Food Drive held by this
  department was very successful!!! 368 pounds of food and \$1200 was collected. These
  amounts will provide 7506 meals for the "Feeding the Valley" agency.
- Nov 11<sup>th</sup> is Veterans Day and a city holiday. Assessor Hood motions to cancel the Board meeting on Nov 12<sup>th</sup>. Assessor Jones seconds and the motion carries.
- Assessor Jefcoat motions to cancel the Board meeting on Nov 26<sup>th</sup> due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Assessor Hood seconds and the motion carries.

At 9:08, Administrative Appraiser Mary Hale presents to the Board:

Homesteads - #179 012 003B; 088 033 034; 084 014 009; 109 006 024; 063 023 014; 078 012 013 - Signed & Approved. #017 007 011 signed as a Denial.

At 9:13 Personal Property Manager Stacy Pollard presents to the Board:

- Late Returns Signed & Approved.
- No Change Audit Results placed into record.

At 9:14, Chief Appraiser Widenhouse presents for Residential Division to the Board:

- Waiver & Releases Signed by Chairman Govar.
- BOE Results Signed & Approved.
- Value Change #178 013 005 Signed & Approved.

At 9:20, Deputy Chief Appraiser Glen Thomason presents to the Board:

• Map Splits - #003 028 001; 002; 011; 030 037 008; 011;188 024 - Signed & Approved.

At 9:26, Chief Appraiser Suzanne Widenhouse presents to the Board:

- Executive Session Litigation Assessor Jones motions to enter into Executive Session. Assessor Jefcoat seconds and the motion carries.
- Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks motions to end the Executive Session at 9:40.
   Assessor Hood seconds and the motion carries.

Assessor Jefcoat motions to adjourn the meeting. Assessor Jones seconds and the motion carries. At 9:41, Chairman Jayne Govar adjourns the meeting without any objections.

Suzanne Widenhouse Chief Appraiser/Secretary

APPROVED:

K. JONES

ASSESSOR

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