



Columbus, Georgia, Board of Tax Assessors

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Assessor

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Chief Appraiser
Suzanne Widenhouse

MINUTES #32-26

Chairman Jayne Govar calls the Columbus, Georgia Board of Assessors' meeting to order on Wednesday, August 19th, 2026 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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Assessor Jones motions to accept the agenda with noted change. Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks seconds and the motion carries.

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

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Chief Appraiser Widenhouse informs the board of how many appeals the office has received as of today: 402 Commercial, 911 Residential & 93 Personal Property.

At 9:05, Chief Appraiser Suzanne Widenhouse presents for Administrative Division to the Board:

- Homesteads - #086 032 024; 191 024 013; 192 001 015; 172 005 004; 040 023 009; 185 005 001; 149 001 040; 034 006 041; 082 031 038; 089 045 033; 101 019 015; 078 006 019 - Signed & Approved.

At 9:11, Deputy Chief Appraiser Glen Thomason presents to the Board:

- Map Splits - #107 001 038, 042, 043; 073 021 052, 070, 062. 069; 073 021 060, 066, 067, 096; 073 021 063 & 097 - Signed & Approved.

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MEMBERS: Georgia Association of Assessing Officials, International Association of Assessing Officials

At 9:29, Chief Appraiser Suzanne Widenhouse presents to the Board:

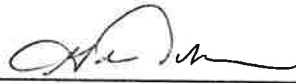
- Board Communications Policy - Assessor Jones motions to approve changes to policy. Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks seconds and the motion carries.
- TP correspondence - discussion only.

At 9:40, Assessor Hood motions to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel issue. Assessor Jones seconds and the motion carries. Assessor Jefcoat motions to end executive session at 10:42. Assessor Jones seconds and the motion carries. No votes taken.

Assessor Jefcoat motions to adjourn the meeting. Assessor Jones seconds and the motion carries. At 10:43, Chairman Jayne Govar adjourns the meeting without any objections.

Suzanne Widenhouse
Chief Appraiser/Secretary

APPROVED: _____

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