



Columbus, Georgia, Board of Tax Assessors

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Assessor

Clay Hood
Assessor

Doug Jefcoat
Assessor

Lanitra Sandifer Hicks
Vice Chairman

Chief Appraiser
Suzanne Widenhouse

MINUTES #15-26

Chairman Jayne Govar calls the Columbus, Georgia Board of Assessors' meeting to order on Wednesday, April 15th, 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. Assessor Hood seconds and the motion carries.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Assessor Jefcoat motions to accept the minutes as presented. Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks seconds and the motion carries.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Chief Appraiser Widenhouse reminds the board that she will be absent next week from the meeting.
- Assessor Jones motions to excuse Chairman Govar from the May 6th board meeting. Assessor Hood seconds and the motion carries.
- Assessor Jefcoat motions to excuse Assessor Jones and Chairman Govar from the board meeting on May 20th to attend CAVEAT. Assessor Hood seconds and the motion carries.

At 9:05, Administrative Manager Mary Hale presents to the Board:

- Appeal - # 191 027 023 taxpayer submitted early, no board signature needed, for information only.

At 9:09, Chief Appraiser Suzanne Widenhouse presents to the Board:

- Legislative Update - discussion only.

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

At 9:14, Commercial Property Appraiser Jasmine Green presents to the Board:

- CUVA & FLPAVA Values - Signed as Accepted.
- CUVA Breaches - #107 001 008H; 103 001 035; 103 001 033 deceased taxpayer; # 137 001 016; 137 001 004 intent to breach - Signed & Approved.

At 9:24, Deputy Chief Appraiser Glen Thomason presents to the Board:

- Mobile Home Appeals - No Change & Late Appeals - no action taken, no signatures needed. Placed into record.

At 9:27, Chief Appraiser Suzanne Widenhouse presents to the Board:

- Settlement Conference Results - # 080 001 085 signed by Chairman Govar.; #074 004 001 Assessor Jones motions to approve. Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks seconds and the motion carries. #049 013 002 Assessor Jefcoat motions to approve. Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks seconds and the motion carries.
- Refund Request Update - discussion only.

Assessor Jefcoat motions to adjourn the meeting. Assessor Jones seconds and the motion carries.

At 10:25, Chairman Jayne Govar adjourns the meeting without any objections.

Suzanne Widenhouse
Chief Appraiser/Secretary

APPROVED:  04/22/2026

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J. GOVAR
CHAIRMAN


K. JONES
ASSESSOR


D. JEFCOAT
ASSESSOR

absent
C. HOOD
ASSESSOR


L. SANDIFER HICKS
VICE CHAIRMAN