



Columbus, Georgia, Board of Tax Assessors

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Chief Appraiser
Suzanne Widenhouse

MINUTES #28-25

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Jayne Govar calls the Columbus, Georgia Board of Assessors' meeting to order on Monday, August 13th, 2025 at 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT ARE:

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Assessor Hood motions to accept the agenda with noted changes. Assessor Jones seconds and the motion carries.

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

MISCELLANEOUS: Assessor Hood motions to excuse the absence of Assessor Jefcoat from the Board meeting today. Assessor Jones seconds and the motion carries.

At 9:04, Administrative Manager Mary Hale presents to the Board:

- Mobile Home Appeals certified to BOE - placed into record.
- Homesteads - # 114 033 007; 065 028 009; 097 043 027; 065 021 030; 085 017 008; 081 015 013; 096 063 016; 068 080 001 & 089; 014 027 011 - Signed & Approved.

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

- Audit Results - Signed & Approved.
- No Change Audit Results - no signatures needed. Placed into record.

At 9:15, Residential Property Manager Jeff Milam presents to the Board:

- 2025 Value Change - # 012 016 003 - Signed & Approved.

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At 9:17, Deputy Chief Appraiser Glen Thomason presents to the Board:

- Map Splits - # 100 046 014 & 070; 115 009 014C & 030; 127 001 051 & 001 & 122 - Signed & Approved.

At 9:23, Chief Appraiser Suzanne Widenhouse presents to the Board:

- Department of Audit Sales Ratio Study - placed into record. The Chief Appraiser explained the study statistically tests and measures the values, uniformity and bias levels. The results of the audit show the measures are all well within standards meaning the valuations for ad valorem taxation are fair, uniform and lacking in bias.


At 9:31, Chairman Govar calls for Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. No votes were taken. At 10:04, Assessor Jones motions to adjourn the Executive Session. Assessor Hood seconds and the motion carries.

Assessor Jones motions to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chairman Lanitra Sandifer Hicks seconds and the motion carries. At 10:05, Chairman Jayne Govar adjourns the meeting without any objections.


Suzanne Widenhouse
Chief Appraiser/Secretary

APPROVED: _____


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