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Nome Common Council

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NOME COMMON COUNCIL BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 2025 at 5:30 PM COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN CITY HALL

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ROLL CALL AT 5:36p.m.

Members Present: C. Johnson, C. Green, C.Henderson, C. Piscoya

Also Present: John K. Handeland, Mayor; Lee Smith, City Manager; Dan Grimmer, City Clerk

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A Motion to approve the agenda was made by C. Henderson and seconded by C. Piscoya. Discussion: Agenda has been amended to remove Item A.

At the roll call:

Aye: C. Johnson, C. Green, C.Henderson, C. Piscoya

Nay:

The motion **CARRIED**.

APPEALS

A. Appeal 25-42, 001.221.26 Block 93 Lot 7C, Ken Bungay,

Removed from agenda as this item was reconciled prior to the meeting.

- B. Appeal 25-47; 001.041.07A Block 12 Lot 11, William Potter,
- C. Appeal 25-48; 001.041.07 Block 11 Lot 11, William Potter,
- D. Appeal 25-49; 001.041.08 Block 13 Lot 11, William Potter,

Mr.Potter attending online through Zoom. The properties were bought in 2017 and rezoned prior to 2020. When the lots were purchased they called them open spaces and when rezoned, it was changed to residential. Arne, the city assessor, says that when Mr. Potter bought the land knowing it was open space and being considered open space does not mean that it devalues the property. Mr. Potter has not given any reason to why he thinks his properties should be lowered. And it does interpet that he is giving a value to his land. C. Henderson asks Mr. Potter if he thinks the estimate of the value should be less because he cannot build on it. And yes, was his answer.

A motion to postpone Mr. Potter's appeals was made by C. Green and C. Henderson.

At the roll call:

Aye: C. Johnson, C. Green, C. Henderson, C. Piscoya

Nave

The motion **CARRIED**.

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E. Appeal 25-54 198.2.023 Big Two Bench Lot 2, Brian James,

Arne mentions this is the one he would like to see postponed. Looking at the plat and then overlaying the minicupal boundary, we dertermined that lot 2 was more than 50% within the city limits, so we put it on the tax roll. Mr. James disputes the lot as being inside city limits. C. Henderson says from reading the attorney's response the city only has a record of this from a private surveyor which is from the 2006. This survey says it was not taxable at the time of survey. The state did not do its do diligence when they did not contact the city of Nome when they approved the plat for recording. C. Henderson asks within the 17 or 18 years he has owned this land and asks if this year was the first he's been billed for property tax and yes, it is.

A motion to grant appeal #25-54 for this year was made by C. Henderson and seconded by C. Johnson.

At the roll call:

Aye: C. Johnson, C.Henderson, Nay: C. Miller, C. Green, C. Piscoya The motion **DID NOT PASS.**

A motion to put back appeal #25-54 for table to reconsider was made by C. Green and seconded by C. Piscoya.

At the roll call:

Aye: C. Johnson, C. Henderson, C. Green, C. Piscoya

Nay: C. Miller,

The motion **CARRIED**.

A motion to postpone this appeal was made by C. Piscoya and seconded by C. Green.

At the roll call:

Aye: C. Johnson, C. Henderson, C. Green, C. Piscoya

Nay: C. Miller,

The motion **CARRIED**.

The BOE goes into recess until May 14, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT AT 6:51p.m.

APPROVED and SIGNED THIS 27th DAY OF MAY 2025

	JOHN K. HANDELAND
	MAYOF
DAN GRIMMER	
CITY CLERK	