The Pinellas County Value Adjustment Board (VAB) met in the Clerk’s Large Conference Room, Fourth Floor, Pinellas County Courthouse, 315 Court Street, Clearwater, Florida, at 10:30 A.M. on this date with the following members present:

Dave Eggers, County Commissioner, Chair
Pat Gerard, County Commissioner, Vice-Chair
Carol Cook, School Board Member
Frank L. Makowski, Citizen Appointee (Board of County Commissioners)

Not Present
Michael A. J. Bindman, Citizen Appointee (School Board)

Also Present
Claretha Harris, Director, Finance
Norman Loy, Manager, Board Records
Mike Twitty, Property Appraiser
Kevin Hayes, Property Appraiser’s Office
Kevin McKeon, Property Appraiser’s Office
Uzma Syed, Property Appraiser’s Office
Rinky Parwani, VAB Counsel
Other Interested Individuals
Lynn M. Abbott, Board Reporter, Deputy Clerk

A G E N D A

1. Meeting Called to Order.
2. Citizens Wishing to Address the VAB.
3. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of July 17, 2018.
5. Final VAB Meeting – Scheduled Following Completion of all Hearings.
6. Adjournment.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Eggers called the meeting to order at 10:30 A.M., and at his request, those in attendance introduced themselves.
CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE VAB

No one appeared in response to the Chair’s call for persons wishing to be heard.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF JULY 17, 2018 – APPROVED

Upon presentation by Chair Eggers, Commissioner Gerard moved, seconded by Ms. Cook and carried unanimously, that the minutes of the meeting held July 17, 2018 be approved.

FIRST CERTIFICATION OF THE 2018 TAX ROLLS – APPROVED

Upon presentation by Chair Eggers, Ms. Cook moved, seconded by Commissioner Gerard and carried unanimously, that the Initial Certification of the 2018 Tax Roll for Tangible Personal Property and the Initial Certification of the 2018 Tax Roll for Real Property be approved.

PROPERTY TAX OVERSIGHT BULLETIN

Attorney Parwani referred to a document titled Property Tax Oversight Bulletin PTO 18-03 pertaining to an Attorney General Opinion and indicated that there are no significant changes in the law; and that it only clarifies which type of magistrate is chosen when improvements to property are “substantially completed”; whereupon, she noted that few petitions were impacted.

FINAL VAB MEETING

Chair Eggers inquired whether the Board should set a date for its next meeting, and Mr. Loy indicated that meetings are typically held on the same day as a Board of County Commissioners meeting; that the Commission has yet to release its 2019 schedule; and that any date would be subject to the conclusion of the hearings. Following discussion with input by Ms. Cook, Chair Eggers related that the meeting will be scheduled at a later date; and that it will likely be in March.
MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION

Following brief discussion in response to query by Mr. Makowski, Mr. Twitty agreed to compile information as to the effective millage rate in Pinellas County in comparison with that of other Florida counties, and Chair Eggers requested that he forward the information to the members.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Eggers adjourned the meeting at 10:39 A.M.

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Chair