

October 6, 2015

The Pinellas County Value Adjustment Board (VAB) met in the County Commission Conference Room, 315 Court Street, Clearwater, Florida, at 8:33 A.M. on this date with the following members present:

Pat Gerard, County Commissioner, Chairman
Dave Eggers, County Commissioner
Carol Cook, School Board Member
Michael A. J. Bindman, Citizen Appointee (School Board)
Darryl Wilson, Citizen Appointee (Board of County Commissioners)

Also Present:

Stephen G. Watts, Esquire, VAB Counsel
Frederick L. Dean, Director, Finance
Norman Loy, Manager, Board Records
Pam Dubov, Property Appraiser
Julie Benoit, Property Appraiser's Office
Kevin Hayes, Property Appraiser's Office
Erin Moore, Property Appraiser's Office
Mark Sawyer, Property Appraiser's Office
Michael Schmidt, Board Reporter, Deputy Clerk
(Minutes by Jenny Masinovsky, 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 23, 2015.
4. Approval of the First Certification of the 2015 Tax Rolls.
5. Final VAB meeting to be scheduled following completion of all hearings.
6. Adjournment.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gerard called the meeting to order at 8:33 A.M.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

No one appeared in response to the Chairman's call for persons wishing to be heard.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF JULY 23, 2015 - APPROVED

Ms. Cook moved, seconded by Mr. Bindman and carried unanimously, that the minutes of the meeting held July 23, 2015, be approved.

FIRST CERTIFICATION OF 2015 TAX ROLLS – APPROVED

Upon presentation by Chairman Gerard, Mr. Bindman moved, seconded by Mr. Wilson and carried unanimously, that the Initial Certification of the 2015 Tax Roll for Tangible Personal Property and the Initial Certification of the 2015 Tax Roll for Real Property be approved.

FINAL VAB MEETING

Chairman Gerard stated for the record that the final VAB meeting will be scheduled at the conclusion of the hearings, and responding to her query, Mr. Loy related that the meeting will likely be held in late February or early March. He provided an update regarding the petitions received to date, noting that all approved petitions have been scheduled for hearings.

Responding to query by Chairman Gerard, he explained the rule related to time limitations on filing the petitions, stating that accepting them past the end of December would impede the VAB process; whereupon, in response to query by Mr. Bindman, he provided examples of what constitutes good cause for rescheduling a hearing more than once, noting that determinations of good cause would be made by Attorney Watts, and Attorney Watts provided input.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Gerard adjourned the meeting at 8:38 A.M.

Chairman