

Barrow County Board of Assessors

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Bernice Melton Chairman

Ronnie Morrow Assessor Beth Buchanan Assessor

Barrow County Board of Assessors Minutes January 10, 2024

I. Call to Order:

Chairman, Bernice Melton called the January 10, 2024 Meeting of the Barrow County Board of Assessors to order at 9:09 am.

- II. Approval of the December 13, 2023 Board of Assessors Meeting Minutes as written: Beth Buchanan made a motion to approve the Minutes of the December 13, 2023 Barrow County Board of Assessors meeting. Ronnie Morrow 2nd the motion. Motion carried.
 - III. Additions or Deletions:
 - a) None
 - IV. Appointments:
 - a) None
 - V. Selection of Officers for the Board of Assessors for 2024:
 - a) Nominations for Secretary to the Barrow County Board of Assessors:

 Ronnie Morrow made a motion to appoint Kimberley Thomas as Secretary to the Board of Assessors. Beth Buchanan 2nd the motion. Motion Carried. Kimberley Thomas will be Secretary to the Barrow County Board of Assessors for 2024.
 - b) Nominations for Vice Chairman of the Barrow County Board of Assessors:

 Beth Buchanan made a motion to appoint Ronnie Morrow as Vice Chairman of the
 Board of Assessors. Chairman, Bernice Melton 2nd the motion. Motion carried. Ronnie
 Morrow will be Vice Chairman of the Barrow County Board of Assessors for 2024.
 - c) Nominations for Chairman of the Barrow County Board of Assessors:

 Ronnie Morrow made a motion to appoint Bernice Melton as Chairman of the Board of Assessors. Beth Buchanan 2nd the motion. Motion carried. Bernice Melton will be Chairman of the Barrow County Board of Assessors for 2024.

VI. Discussion and Consideration:

a) Approval of ACO s:

Beth Buchanan made a motion to approve the ACO's. Ronnie Morrow 2nd the motion.

Motion carried.

- b) Approval of Homestead Exemptions:

 Beth Buchanan made a motion to approve the Homestead Exemptions. Ronnie Morrow 2nd the motion. Motion carried.
- c) Approval of Motor Vehicle Appeals:
 Ronnie Morrow made a motion to approve. Beth Buchanan 2nd the motion. Motion carried.
- d) Exempt Property Application North Metro First Baptist Church 1047 Highway 124
 Braselton, GA 30517 BR023-019A
 Beth Buchanan made a motion to deny application until the building is built. Ronnie
 Morrow 2nd the motion, Motion carried.

VII. Other Business:

- a) BOE Decision Sheets
- b) Monthly Activity Report:
 Chief Appraiser, Guy Rogers presented the End of Year Monthly Activity Report to the Board.
 - Mr. Rogers advised the Board that we are finishing up the new construction for 2024. Ronnie Morrow had some questions about what goes into Homestead scanning and auditing as well as SSMS and Munis.
- c) Office Update:
 Chief Appraiser, Guy Rogers advised the Board that he will send the Public Utilities to the Tax Commissioner for billing.
 - Mr. Rogers advised the Board that we have used about 43.7 % of the Budget for the year.
 - Mr. Rogers advised the Board that Jason Hutchins came in to sign the CUVA release from parcel XX050-033A.
 - Mr. Rogers advised the Board that Missy Dove from DOR came in to do the 2022 Digest review and we should have a report on that soon.
 - Mr. Rogers advised the board that Kevin Pirkle has been appointed to the Deputy Chief Appraiser position effective January 1st 2024, following Joey Cofers's retirement December 22, 2023, and will be handling all of the commercial properties and be the assistant to Mr. Rogers.
 - Mr. Rogers advised the Board he has created the new position of Senior Appraiser which John Landers has been appointed to. This new position will be responsible for the training of new Appraisers, coordinating the research and defense for BOE hearings, and the maintenance of the department county vehicles.
 - Mr. Rogers advised the Board that he will be advertising for an Appraiser and an Appraisal Assistant this week.

Mr. Rogers advised the Board that John Reeves will be taking his Appraiser I exam this month, Stephanie Eastman will be taking her Appraiser II exam this month and Sarah Reed will be taking her Appraiser I exam.

Mr. Rogers advised the Board he has begun training Dalton McMillian on CUVA.

d) 2024 Beginning Sales Ratios:
 Chief Appraiser Guy Rogers presented the Board with the beginning of the year Sales Ratios.

VIII. Executive Session

a) Personnel

Chief Appraiser, Guy Rogers advised the Board that there was not a need to go into Executive Session for this meeting.

IX. Adjournment:

Ronnie Morrow made a motion to adjourn. Beth Buchanan 2nd the motion. Motion carried. The January 10, 2024 meeting to the Barrow County Board of Assessors adjourned at 10:35 am.

Bernice Melton, Chairman

Ronnie Morrow

Beth Buchanan