

# Barrow County Board of Assessors

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Ronnie Morrow Chairman Beth Buchanan Assessor

Bernice Melton Assessor

## Barrow County Board of Assessors Minutes May 14, 2025

#### I. Call to Order:

Chairman, Ronnie Morrow called the May 14, 2025, Meeting of the Barrow County Board of Assessors to order at 9:00 am.

II. Approval of the April 8, 2025, Board of Assessors Meeting Minutes as written: Bernice Melton made a motion to approve the Minutes of the April 8, 2025, Barrow County Board of Assessors Meeting Minutes. Beth Buchanan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.

#### III. Additions or Deletions:

a) None

## IV. Appointments:

a) None

#### V. Discussion and Consideration:

- a) Approval of ACO's:
  Beth Buchanan made a motion to approve the ACO's. Bernice Melton 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.
  Motion carried.
- Approval of Homestead Exemptions:
  Bernice Melton made a motion to approve the Homestead Exemptions. Beth Buchanan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.
- c) Approval of Senior Homestead Exemptions for January, February, and March: Bernice Melton made a motion to approve the Senior Homestead Exemptions for January, February, and March. Beth Buchanan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.
- d) Approval of Tabled Homestead Exemptions from April Meeting: Beth Buchanan made a motion to approve the Tabled Homestead Exemptions from April Meeting. Bernice Melton 2<sup>nd</sup> the Motion. Motion carried.
- e) Approval of Motor Vehicle Appeals:
  Beth Buchanan made a motion to approve the Motor Vehicle Appeals. Bernice Melton 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.

f) Approval of Conservation New and Renewal Applications and April Tabled: Beth Buchanan made a motion to approve the Conservation New and Renewal Applications with the exception of XX137-038 - Hayes, Harold Dean Estate C/O Pinion Doug; to be field checked for a building and XX052-035E and XX053-035 - Mazzawi, Jennifer Megan; to change qualifying use which will be reviewed at next month's meeting. Bernice Melton 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.

## g) Approval of Conservation Continuations:

Beth Buchanan made a motion to approve the Conservation Continuations with the exception of XX050-002A – Romanowski, Kristen H; to get a copy of a map or plat, which will be reviewed at next month's meeting. Bernice Melton 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.

h) Approval of Conservation Under 10 Acres for New, Renewal, and Continuations and April Tabled:

Beth Buchanan made a motion to approve the Conservation Under 10 Acres for New, Renewal, and Continuations and April Tabled with the exception of ST02-048 – Steed, Hill W II Estate & steed Gloria Gayle; to correct the acreage on our spreadsheet, which will be reviewed at next month's meeting and to deny WN25-152A – Copper, Camron due to name does not match, XX026-096 – Haynes, Charles Rodney and Haynes, Elaina M due to name does not match, XX047-072 and XX047-073 RH Land Ventures LLC due to forestry letter not received and XX111-033 Terrell, Mark Hardigree due to no additional proof received. Bernice Melton 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.

#### i) Intent to Breach Letters:

Bernice Melton made a motion to approve the Intent to Breach Letters. Beth Buchanan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.

j) Freeport Exemptions Approval:

Beth Buchanan made a motion to approve the Freeport Exemptions. Bernice Melton 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.

- k) Approval of Exempt Property Digest (Real and Personal):
  Ronnie Morrow made a motion to approve the Exempt Property Digest (Real and Personal). Beth Buchanan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.
- Adoption of the Zero Tolerance Gossip Policy: Bernice Melton made a motion to approve the Adoption of the Zero Tolerance Gossip Policy. Beth Buchanan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.
- m) Final Sales Ratios for 2025

This was presented to the Board by Chief Appraiser Guy Rogers but did not require a vote.

n) Approval of the Real and Personal Property Notice of Assessments:
 Beth Buchanan made a motion to approve the Real Property Notice of Assessments.

 Bernice Melton 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.
 Bernice Melton made a motion to approve the Personal Property Notice of Assessments. Beth Buchanan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.

#### VI. Other Business:

- a) Monthly Activity Report:
  Chief Appraiser, Guy Rogers presented the Monthly Activity Report.
- b) Office Update:

Chief Appraiser, Guy Rogers advised the Board that construction is complete on the two new offices.

Mr. Rogers advised the Board that the Board of Commissioners had received the results of the pay study.

Mr. Rogers advised the Board that Guy Rogers, Kevin Pirkle, Nancy Harris, Ronnie Morrow, Beth Buchanan, and John Reeves will be attending CAVEAT on May 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and 22<sup>nd</sup> in Athens.

## VII. Adjournment:

Beth Bucanan made a motion to adjourn. Bernice Melton 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried. The May 14, 2025 meeting of the Barrow County Board of Assessors adjourned at 10:58 am.

Ronnie Morrow, Chairman

Bernice Melton

Beth Buchanan

Respectfully Submitted, Kimberley Thomas, Board Secretary