

MINUTES

Greenwood City Council Acting as Local Board of Appeal & Equalization
20225 Cottagewood Road Deephaven, MN 55331 952.474.6633
Thursday April 16, 2009 6:30 PM

Approved Minutes

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Mayor Kind called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM
Council present: Page, Rose, Fletcher, Kind and Quam
Council absent: None
Staff present: Clerk Whipple
Staff absent: Attorney Kelly

2. Approve Agenda

Councilmember Page moved to approve the agenda. Second by Councilmember Quam.
Motion carried 5-0

3. Hear residents property valuation appeals

1. Jack Strothman 4636 Linwood Circle

Mr. Strothman provided information to the Council supporting his request for a land valuation decrease by at least \$210,600. He has water/drainage issues due to low land.

2. Joyce Agnew 6 MacLynn Road

Ms. Agnew did not attend the meeting, but submitted information for the Board's review.

3. Todd Palmberg 21320 Excelsior Blvd.

Mr. Palmberg did not attend the meeting but reserved his right to appear before the County Board of Appeal.

4. William Rose 5190 Meadville

Mr. Rose is on the Greenwood Council and reserved his right to appear before the County Board of Appeal.

5. Mike Farahar 21230 Excelsior Blvd.

Mr. Farahar met with the assessor last week and his building valuation was lowered. He would still like to see his land valued less as it has the same value as last year.

6. Robert Burns 5080 Meadville Street

Mr. Burns provided the Council with comparable values on his street. He believes his land is overvalued as is his home.

7. Jeff Sagal 21420 Excelsior Blvd.

Mr. Sagal handed out several copies of comparable sold properties he'd gotten off the internet. He feels, in the current market, his property is over-valued.

8. Ernest Pivek 5060 Meadville

Mr. Pivek built his home in 1975 and the property is now valued at \$1,502,000. He offered a comparable Tonka Bay property that was assessed at \$1,390,000. He is hoping for a reduction in the value of his lakeshore.

9. Jae & Julie Lew 10 MacLynn road

The Lews met with the assessor and an adjustment to the valuation was made, therefore, they did not attend tonight's meeting.

10. Dennis Regnier 5115 Greenwood Circle

Mr. Regnier had talked to the assessor and decided not to attend tonight's meeting.

11. John Musgjerd 5145 Curve Street

Mr. Musgjerd met with the assessor a month ago, but not all of his questions were answered. His land value was lowered prior to tonight's meeting. He has 45' of lakeshore and compared it to a similar sized lot on St. Albans Bay that was valued less than his. He is asking that his total property be assessed at \$1,125,000.

12. Frank Brixius 21720 Fairview Street

Mr. Brixius did not attend tonight's meeting, but did submit information to Mayor Kind prior to the meeting. He offered neighboring comparables that had sold for much less than the appraised value. He requested that the Council to reduce his valuation.

13. Ted Hanna 4960 Meadville

Mr. Hanna was not on the roster, but asked to speak. He has an issue with actual front footage versus effective front footage. He believes the valuation for his home should be \$30,000 less than its current valuation of \$150,000.

4. Adjournment

At 8:19 Councilmember Page moved to recess until Thursday, April 30, 2009 at 6:30 pm.
Second by Councilmember Rose.

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta Whipple
City Administrator