

## **REAL ESTATE TAX CYCLE COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, September 11, 2019

**PRESENT:** P. Chapman, M. King, C. Hankins, K. Novacich-Koberna, V. Valentine  
**ABSENT:** M. Walters  
**OTHERS:** T. Cook, P. McRae, V. Jones, B. Davis, J. Dauderman, T. Soland, S. Rolens, P. Taylor,  
C. Slusser, J. Ezra, A. Meyer

The August meeting minutes were approved by all members present.

### **TREASURER:**

C. Slusser reported the second installment date was September 10<sup>th</sup> and the third installment date will be October 10<sup>th</sup>. He said they have made 7 real estate distributions this year and have distributed \$219,538,595.67 which is 50% of taxes extended. The next real estate distribution will be on September 24<sup>th</sup> and have distributed 78% of mobile home taxes.

### **COUNTY CLERK:**

V. Jones reported the 2018 Tax Cycle process is coming to an end and is gearing up for the 2019 Tax Cycle. She said they are currently accepting Budgets and Levy's and the deadline to turn those in is the last Tuesday in December.

### **RECORDER:**

A. Meyer provided her monthly graphs and highlighted the Deeds of Conveyance is up from June. Ms. Meyer mentioned the office recently purchased new scanners and was able to sell the old scanners for around \$2k.

### **COUNTY ASSESSOR:**

J. Dauderman reported they are assisting the Board of Review with C of E's; 1,436 completed with 86% being for exemptions. He said the 2019 deed reviews, name changes and exemptions are going as planned. The publications and reassessment notices went out and the abstracts will be sent to the state this week. 2020 Field Crews are currently working in Nameoki Township. Mr. Dauderman mentioned he attended 2 property tax seminars at the request of Monica Bristow in Alton and Bethalto.

### **BOARD OF REVIEW:**

Ms. Soland reported they continue to issue bill corrections on the 2018 tax bills which are mainly Senior Freeze exemptions. For 2019, they still have 5 townships open to take appeals; Leef, Alhambra, Hamel, Ft. Russell (Oct 7<sup>th</sup>) and Wood River (Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>). Ms. Soland said they continue to process Senior Freeze Applications and Home Improvement Applications for 2019 as well as assisting Townships with the appeal process. She said they have docketed over 400 appeals and are starting hearings next week.

Ms. Soland was recognized for her years of service with applause and was given well wishes during retirement.

### **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY:**

B. Davis reported they have provided assistance as needed to County Offices.

Mr. Hankins moved, seconded by Ms. Novacich-Koberna to approve the bills for the month as presented. The ayes and nays being called on the motion to approve resulted in a vote as follows: AYES: M. King, C. Hankins, K. Novacich-Koberna, V. Valentine NAYS: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Ms. Novacich-Koberna moved, seconded by Mr. Hankins to approve the Property Trustee Report as presented. The ayes and nays being called on the motion to approve resulted in a vote as follows: AYES: M. King, C. Hankins, K. Novacich-Koberna, V. Valentine NAYS: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

T. Cook reported she and Mr. Dauderman met about the Parcel Shape File to discuss the proper ways of distribution and to make sure there are no contractual conflicts. A meeting involving Ms. Cook, Mr. Dauderman, Mr. Michael and Mr. Chapman is planned to gather more information which then will be presented at the October meeting.

Mr. Chapman voiced his concerns of the current method being used to distribute the Parcel Shape File and noted the method being considered will include a fee of \$60/hour for organizations that are for-profit and no fee for non-profits, municipalities and governmental entities.

Ms. Meyer voiced her concerns about the new method that is being considered and asked for more details on which for-profit organizations have shown interest. T. Cook clarified that governmental agencies will receive information for free because they are able to contribute to the multiple layers of the GIS system with intentions of sharing information. Ms. Cook noted the Real Estate Association is a for-profit organization that has shown interest in the Parcel Shape File information but due to the standing resolution, the cost is not feasible. It was explained that the base layer is available online currently and additional layers can be purchased for additional fees.

Mr. Chapman reported they continue to look into the Fidler/Laredo project that was discussed at the meeting last month. He noted Ms. Ming-Mendoza and T. Cook are of the opinion it would not be a wise decision to implement the entire project at one time due to concerns of not being able to quickly replenish the funds and the uncertainty of what the new fees will produce. He also mentioned the Treasurer communicated there would be budget issues within 2 years of carrying out the project.

T. Cook voiced her concerns and there was discussion on digitizing the information in phases.

Mr. Hankins moved, seconded by Mr. Valentine to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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