

## **REAL ESTATE TAX CYCLE COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, January 09, 2019

PRESENT: P. Chapman, M. King, C. Hankins, M. Walters, E. Foster

ABSENT: K. Novacich-Koberna

OTHERS: V. Jones, B. Davis, V. Cassens, A. Esping, C. Bethel, J. Aylsworth, A. Meyer, P. Curtin, P. McRae, S. Rolens, B. Powers, T. Soland, J. Dauderman, D. Hulme, L. Ogden

Mr. Foster moved, seconded by Mr. Hankins, to approve the December meeting minutes. **MOTION CARRIED.**

D. Hulme and L. Ogden spoke to the committee about an upcoming Fee Study for the Records Office along with Animal Control. He said the Study is up for bid at the moment with hopes the operation will take no more than \$20,000. Ms. Ogden said the last fee study cost \$15,000 and 3 offices participated.

### **TREASURER:**

P. McRae reported that all installment dates are completed. They will be sending out certified notices this week to tax payers with unpaid real estate taxes. Mr. McRae said delinquent tax publications will go in the local newspapers around the end of January. He reported that they have made 12 real estate distributions this year and distributed \$404,055,736.59 which is 94.87% of taxes extended. The next real estate distribution is scheduled for January 14, 2019. The Tax Sale is scheduled for February 19, 2019.

### **COUNTY CLERK:**

V. Jones reported that all Tax Levies have been turned in and inputted.

### **RECORDER:**

A. Meyer gave her monthly report to the committee and highlighted several of the graphs provided. She reported the Deeds of Conveyance were down in 2018 by 150 and that there were 100 less Lis Pendens than the prior year. She also reported that there were 428 Judicial Deeds in 2018 and that Tax Deeds were down from the prior year as well. Ms. Meyer goes on to talk about Electronic Recordings which have 2,000 more this year than last. Ms. Meyer concludes her report by showing the committee how Illinois is on trend with a document from a software provider showing how surrounding states record their documents.

### **ASSESSOR:**

J. Dauderman reported they continue to work on 2017 exemptions and will do so until February 14, 2019. He said they are also working on 2018 exemption renewals. The Research and Transfer Techs are working on November/December deeds. He goes on to say that they have begun working on multipliers (1.0249) along with the Board of Review. Mr. Dauderman shared how the Quadrennial Realignment would affect them if they complete a Township for 2019 and move them to the 2020 quad. He said it would require them to redo the already completed Township.

## **BOARD OF REVIEW:**

B. Powers reports that the 2018 Senior Freeze applications are still being processed and they push forth on State Appeals. She said they are waiting to hear back on a few Board of Review hearings in anticipation of getting them settled. Ms. Powers said that once multipliers are posted, they can begin working on Enterprise Zone Abatements. She said that over 100,000 people have asked for a full tax exemption which requires a hearing. Ms. Powers said that 1,235 parcels have been involved in appeals this year which resulted in 7% being increased, 86% being decreased and 7% having no change. Ms. Powers ended her final Real Estate Tax Cycle report by acknowledging all of the hard work and dedication every office has shown over the years and also thanked Chairman Chapman for recognizing the good things people do.

## **I.T.:**

B. Davis applauded the upcoming retirement of his colleague, V. Cassens. He said Val has been a huge asset to the IT Department and she will be missed. He said that they are trying to figure out how they are going to live without Val's 32 years of knowledge. As far as office work goes, they have been working with the Treasurer's Office in preparation of the upcoming Tax Sale. Mr. Davis also introduced a new member of the I.T Department, Jessica Aylsworth.

The Committee gave nice farewell messages to Valerie Cassens and Bessy Powers as this was their last Real Estate Tax Cycle Meeting. They received a standing ovation for their hard work and many years of service. Both of them will be having retirement parties; Valerie's party is January 25<sup>th</sup> from 11:30-1:30 and Bessy's party is January 31<sup>st</sup> from 11:30-1:30.

Mr. King moved, seconded by Mr. Walters, to approve the bills for the month. The ayes and nays being called on the motion to approve resulted in a vote as follows: AYES: M. King, C. Hankins, M. Walters, E. Foster NAYS: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mr. Walters moved, seconded by Mr. Foster 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, M. Walters, E. Foster NAYS: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mr. Foster moved, seconded by Mr. Walters, to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**