

REAL ESTATE TAX CYCLE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, June 10, 2020

The meeting was held via conference call; members of the public who utilized the twitch platform will not be listed in attendance.

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

ABSENT: K. Novacich-Koberna

OTHERS: S. Rolens, D. Ming-Mendoza, K. Wathan, P. Curtin, A. Meyer, J. Dauderman, C. Slusser

The May meeting minutes were approved by all members present.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

COUNTY CLERK:

D. Ming-Mendoza reported the tax extension process is complete and has been turned over to the Treasurer. She said the real estate tax cycle for the County Clerk's Office is complete.

RECORDER:

A. Meyer reported they continue operating in accordance to the CDC guidelines. She also reported the document numbers have not decreased and will provide a report next month comparing this year to last year which will show an increase.

TREASURER:

C. Slusser reported that real estate tax bills were mailed June 5th and the installment dates are July 9th, September 9th, October 9th and December 9th; the grace period for the 1st installment has been extended to September 9th to help provide some relief during the Covid-19 pandemic. The mobile home tax bills will be mailed later this month and the due date was pushed back from July 31st to August 31st. The first real estate tax distribution is set for June 12th. Mr. Slusser said revenue projections show that the general fund revenue will be down \$4.2M due to sales tax, income tax and reduced court fees and mentioned John Thompson has been in contact with the different county departments to submit budget cuts to help with the deficit; the Treasurer's Office was able to save and submit around \$45k. Mr. Slusser also mentioned the general fund tax levy referendum being proposed will not have an effect on anything this year.

COUNTY ASSESSOR:

J. Dauderman reported they are working on 2019 tax bill corrections and that everybody is back to work and following guidelines. The 2021 Farmland review meeting took place on Tuesday where the farm land values were approved. He spoke about new legislation pertaining to County Assessors that will allow them to automatically roll exemptions for persons with disabilities, veterans with disabilities, and seniors who are eligible for the Senior Freeze Exemption. Mr. Dauderman is exploring ways to inform eligible applicants of the new legislation as well as the best ways to avoid confusion to prevent missed exemptions. As requested by Mr. Chapman, Mr. Dauderman shared information on the EAV for the last 4 years; there has been a 2.3% to over 3% increase and a projected 2% increase for 2020. Mr. Dauderman noted the biggest unknown is if there is new legislation pertaining to upgraded or updated exemptions that will affect

the EAV. Mr. Dauderman offered reports, upon request, on EAV of certain districts; the audit (CAFR) is also available on the Auditor's website.

BOARD OF REVIEW:

S. Rolens reported they have been correcting tax bills and fielding tax bill questions. She said they have been processing the Senior Freeze and Home Improvement Exemptions as well as State Exemption applications. Ms. Rolens mentioned they are preparing evidence for appeals that were filed against their decision to PTAB. It was noted they have mailed exemptions upon request and that they have waived the requirement to get them notarized.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY:

K. Wathan reported the I.T. Department has continued to provide I.T. support.

Mr. King moved, seconded by Mr. Hankins 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: C. Hankins, M. King, M. Walter NAYS: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mr. Hankins moved, seconded by Mr. King 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: C. Hankins, M. King, M. Walter NAYS: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

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

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