

MINUTES
Board of Equalization and Review
Date: May 3, 2021 Meeting to Convene

Board Members Present: Hunter Beattie, Chair
Karen Morrissette, Member
Barbara Levine, Member

Staff Members Present: Roger Gunn, Real Property Appraisal Manager
Steve Chad Phillips, Deputy Tax Appraiser
Anne Marie Tosco, Orange County Attorney
Nancy Freeman, Tax Administrator
Scherri McCray, Business Officer
Vrinlli Flores, Administrative Support I

SCHEDULE:

This meeting will be to convene the 2021 Board of Equalization and Review. There will be no hearings scheduled for this date and time.

Mr. Phillips opened the meeting by welcoming the attendees and board members present. Mr. Phillips stated Oaths of office would be read by each board member followed by submitting signatures electronically.

- I. Oaths of office were read aloud respectively by Karen Morrissette, Hunter Beattie, and Barbara Levine.

Chair Hunter Beattie called the meeting to order at 2:10 PM. Mr. Beattie made a motion to convene the 2021 Board of Equalization and Review to accept appeals. Ms. Morrissette second the motion and the motion carried.

Mr. Phillips stated any appeals received by the Tax Office henceforth will be considered formal appeals and presented to the Board of Equalization and Review. Mr. Phillips proceeded to demonstrate to the board members how to access appeals for the upcoming meetings.

Ms. Morrissette asked what prompted the propagation of the material of the county commissioners' resolution on ethics. Anne Marie Tosco stated what prompted this material were factors related to Covid-19 and with Boards conducting remote meeting and a review of policies, the decision was made for all judicial boards to have the same regulations. Mrs. Tosco offered her assistance at any time if any legal questions arise on appeals.

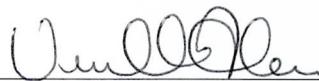
Ms. Morrisette questioned the possibility of the Board members having access to the appeals beforehand so the members could prepare for a meeting by trying to review the material pertaining to the appeals in advance of a meeting. Ms. Tosco did not object but stated that Board decisions should be based on what is being heard and the evidence provided on the date of the meeting.

Mr. Phillips stated the Board schedule for each meeting will be emailed to the Board members in advance, at least 24 hours before the meeting.

No further statements were made, Mr. Beattie made a motion to adjourn today's meeting at 2:23 PM until May 25, 2021. Ms. Morrisette seconded the motion, the motion carried, and the meeting adjourned.



Hunter Beattie, Chair



Vrinli Flores, Recording Secretary