

Cottonwood County Board of Commissioners  
County Board of Appeal and Equalization Meeting  
June 21, 2022

The Cottonwood County Board of Commissioners met for the annual County Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting on Tuesday, June 21, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the Cottonwood County Courthouse in Windom, MN. Presiding over the meeting was Chairman Donna Gravley. Present in person for all or portions of the meeting were: Commissioners Donna Gravley, Tom Appel, Larry Anderson, Norm Holmen, and Kevin Stevens; County Coordinator Kelly Thongvivong, Auditor/Treasurer Donna Torkelson, County Attorney Nick Anderson, Kathy Marsh, County Assessor Gale Bondhus, David Grev, Sarah Lanier, and Simone Bolin. .

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County Assessor Gale Bondhus presented assessment valuation changes and statistics from 2021 to 2022 to the Board. Value changes were made based on qualifying sales that took place in the county from 10/01/20 to 09/30/21. Bondhus presented 2022 new construction changes and comparisons by district from 2021 to 2022 as well as valuation changes by property type from 2021 to 2022. Bondhus also reviewed real estate changes over the last 30 years.

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Bondhus presented the County Assessor recommendation to the board as follows: recommendation to reduce the building taxable value by \$30,600 due to unfinished basement on parcel 12.023.0602; recommendation to reduce the building taxable value by \$10,300 due to condition of the house addition on parcel 25.521.0130; and recommendation to reduce the building taxable value by \$33,600 due to square footage changes on parcel 25.160.0200.

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Motion by Holmen, second by Stevens, unanimous vote to decrease the building value by \$30,600 due to an adjustment for the unfinished basement on the house on parcel 12.023.0602 owned by Jason and Molly Lohrenz. Due to the change, the adjusted 2022 estimated market value is \$391,500.

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Motion by Stevens, second by Appel, unanimous vote to decrease the building value by \$10,300 due to an adjustment for the condition of the house addition on parcel 25.521.0130 owned by Clifford and Joyce Zimmerman Trustee. Due to the change, the adjusted 2022 estimated market value is \$54,700.

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Motion by Anderson, second by Holmen, unanimous vote to decrease the building value by \$33,600 due to an adjustment on the square footage of the house on parcel 25.160.0200 owned by Tony and Teri Scott. Due to the change, the adjusted 2022 estimated market value is \$323,200.

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Motion by Torkelson, second by Holmen, unanimous vote to accept the remainder of assessments as presented.

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There being no further business, Chairman Gravley declared the meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

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Donna Torkelson, Auditor/Treasurer

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Donna Gravley, Board Chairman

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Kelly Thongvivong, County Coordinator