

## Minutes

May 7, 2009

The scheduled meeting of the Cleveland County Equalization Board was called to order this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May 2009, in the conference room of the Cleveland County Office Building by Chairman Waldo Blanton. Tammy Howard, County Clerk/Secretary, called roll and those present were:

Waldo Blanton, Chairman  
Charles Thompson, Vice-Chairman  
Pat Ross, Member  
Tammy Howard, Secretary

Others present: David Tinsley, County Assessor, Billijo Ragland, Deputy County Assessor, Daniel Jenkins, Deputy County Assessor, David Batton, Assistant District Attorney, Linda Atkins, Deputy County Clerk, Phillip Cline, Maria Oreb and James Estes.

Pat Ross moved, seconded by Chairman Blanton, that the minutes of the meeting of January 26, 2009, be approved.

The vote was: Waldo Blanton, yes; Charles Thompson, yes; Pat Ross, yes.  
Motion carried.

Chairman Blanton called for discussion regarding the letter of protest of Phillip F. & Joetta M. Cline, 15201 Slaughterville, OK 73051, #69273 (2008).

Mr. Cline stated that he owns ten acres with improvements made in 2005 by adding a modular home. He originally received a letter from the County Assessor's office stating that the property was being assessed at \$120,000.00. Later, he was told that it had been adjusted to approximately \$96,000.00. Since that time, he received information through email that it was being assessed at \$126,000.00 again. Mr. Cline stated that he has been somewhat confused about the actual assessed value and wanted to appear before the board in order to confirm that it had been lowered.

After a brief discussion, Chairman Blanton moved, seconded by Charles Thompson, that the assessed value be lowered to \$96,854.00.

The vote was: Waldo Blanton, yes; Charles Thompson, yes; Pat Ross, yes.  
Motion carried.

Maria Oreb, 747 Village South Drive, Oklahoma City, OK 73139, #R0025161, appeared before the board stating that she has four townhouses. She said that the taxes were readjusted on three and would like the fourth one to be the same as the others.

David Tinsley said that the new value is \$76,495.00 based on the \$750.00, which is a difference of approximately \$1,100.00.

Charles Thompson moved seconded by Pat Ross, that the assessed value be based on the \$750.00 rental fee and the new value of \$76,495.00.

The vote was: Waldo Blanton, yes; Charles Thompson, yes; Pat Ross, yes.  
Motion carried.

Chairman Blanton said that the letter of protests of Liberty National Bank & Trust Ad Valorem Tax Account, P.O. Box 810490, Dallas, TX, #R0023936 and #R0033561 shall be discussed later in the meeting. He also noted that the attorney for the bank is unable to appear before the Board.

James Steven Estes, 2207 Lindenwood, Norman, OK 73071, #40166, appeared before the board stating that his house has some major construction problems. It will cost approximately \$14,600.00 to do the repairs. According to his estimates, the house is only worth around \$75,000.00.

Chairman Blanton moved, seconded by Pat Ross, that this item be tabled until a later date.

The vote was: Waldo Blanton, yes; Charles Thompson, yes; Pat Ross, yes.  
Motion carried.

After a brief discussion and review of comps in the area, Chairman Blanton moved, seconded by Charles Thompson, that there be no change in the assessed value of \$192,604.00 on the property for Michael & Belinda Jain, 422 Golden Oaks Drive, Norman, OK, #42420.

The vote was: Waldo Blanton, yes; Charles Thompson, yes; Pat Ross, yes.  
Motion carried.

A letter of appeal submitted by the attorney for Liberty National Bank & Trust was read into the minutes by Dave Batton, Assistant District Attorney, for #R0023936 and #R0033561.

The estimated value of the bank is valued at \$365.00 per square foot, which is based on the income of the property.

After a brief discussion, Charles Thompson stated that it appears that the first property being #R0023936 is assessed correctly at \$365.00 per square foot, based on income, and moved that there be no change in the assessed value of \$219,747.00 and that the assessed value on #R0033561 located on 3600 W Robinson, Norman, OK, be assessed at the value of \$961,916.00. Pat Ross seconded the motion.

The vote was: Waldo Blanton, yes; Charles Thompson, yes; Pat Ross, yes.  
Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the board, Chairman Blanton moved, seconded by Pat Ross, that the meeting be adjourned.

The vote was: Waldo Blanton, yes; Charles Thompson, yes; Pat Ross, yes.  
Motion carried.

