

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Special Meeting of the Board of Equalization Meeting was held on Thursday, February 2, 2012, at the Dillingham City Council Chambers, Dillingham, AK. Mayor Ruby, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Mayor Alice Ruby present.

Members present and establishing a quorum:

Tracy Hightower
Bob Himschoot
Keggie Tubbs

Staff in attendance:

Janice Williams, City Clerk

Guest(s):

Arne Erickson, Appraisal Co. of Alaska (*via teleconference*)
Gorden and Susan Isaacs

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Keggie Tubbs moved and Bob Himschoot seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented.

GENERAL CONSENT: The motion passed with no objection.

IV. SPECIAL BUSINESS

A. Real Property Appeal for Consideration

1. Approval of Settled Adjustment – Case No. 2012-01, Gorden and Susan Isaacs

Mayor Ruby reported on the process, noting the appellant would present their appeal first, followed by the assessor's comments, both appellant and BOE members could then ask questions of each other through the chair, and then BOE members would come to a decision.

Gorden Isaacs spoke that he was in agreement with the City assessor's adjusted value of \$156,900 for improvements as presented by the City's assessor, but it was for 2011, and the appeal he was requesting was for both 2010 and 2011.

Discussion:

- confirmed the appellant's request in the original appeal letter was for both 2010 and 2011.

City Assessor Arne Erickson reported the log home had a long sad history of ownership and physical abuse. He noted he had done a walk through last October and based on its physical condition that it would take an amount of work to be completed at 100%. He noted about five years ago the place had become unoccupied. During that time the water pipes had broke and done substantial damage. The present was probably the best condition it had been in for the last five years.

Gorden Isaacs clarified that 4/5ths of the property had been recorded, the other 1/5th had not been recorded but he was the owner, and intended to pay all the tax on the lot. He thought that was why they hadn't received a tax bill for both years until last summer, because it hadn't completely gone through the BIA process. He intended to complete the house and make it habitable.

MOTION: Keggie Tubbs moved to approve the assessor's recommendation for year 2011 specific to the improvement value of \$156,900 to include 2010. *(Clerk Note: There was no second made. This was mainly an oversight.)*

VOTE: The motion to approve the assessor's recommendation passed unanimously with Keggie Tubbs, Bob Himschoot, and Tracy Hightower voting in favor.

V. CITIZEN'S DISCUSSION (Prior Notice or Agenda Items)

There were no comments.

VI. BOE COMMENTS

There were no comments.

VII. MAYOR COMMENTS

Mayor Ruby thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ruby adjourned the meeting at 5:52 p.m.


Alice Ruby, Mayor

ATTEST:


Janice Williams, City Clerk

Approved:

March 1, 2012