
1. CALL TO ORDER

An organizational meeting of the Board of Equalization was held on Wednesday, April 27, 2016, at the Dillingham City Council Chambers, Dillingham, Alaska. Mayor Alice Ruby called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mayor Alice Ruby was present.

Council Members present and establishing a quorum (a quorum being three):

Holly Johnson
Chris Maines
Andy Anderson

Staff in attendance:

Janice Williams, City Clerk

Guest:

Robert Dudley, Alaska Assessment Assistance – attended via teleconference

3. APPROVE THE AGENDA

MOTION: Chris Maines moved and Holly Johnson seconded motion to approve the agenda as presented.

VOTE: The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

4. ASSESSOR'S COMMENTS

Mr. Dudley reported real properties were increased in 2016 by 2% over the prior year to bring the city's sales ratio within the low 90% range. He noted the economic conditions could support the increase and explained properties had gradually seen an increase over the last several years, to bring it up from the low 80 percentiles.

He explained the sales ratio. The City applies an assessed value to a property. Data is collected from sales of properties. A comparison is made to see how close the assessed values are to actual market conditions. If the assessed value is lower than the market values, it causes the sales ratio to be low. (The state requires it be closer to 100%.)

Mayor Ruby noted the State determined the City's mandatory contribution to schools based on the state's assessed value of property, and if the city's property falls low, the state still requires it be based on their assessment.

Follow-up:

Questioned how the State determines its assessed value?

5. APPEALS FOR CONSIDERATION

a. Personal Property - Refer to Attached List

1) Settled Appeals

Mr. Dudley reported he was currently working on settling the appeals with the appellants, did not have any available for this meeting, but would work to have them in time for the May 18 regular BOE meeting.

2) Outstanding Appeals

There was a total of fifteen outstanding appeals.

3) Late-Filed Appeals

There were no late filed appeals.

b. Real Property – Refer to the Attached List

1) Settled Appeals

Mr. Dudley reported he was currently working on the settling the appeals with the appellants, did not have any available for this meeting, but would work to have them in time for the May 18 regular BOE meeting.

2) Outstanding Appeals

There was a total of six outstanding appeals.

3) Late-Filed Appeals

There were no late filed appeals.

c. Schedule Hearing for Outstanding Appeals

1) Wednesday, May 18, 2016

6. CITIZEN DISCUSSION (Prior Notice or Agenda Items)

There was no citizen's discussion.

7. MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS

There was no Mayor/Council comments.

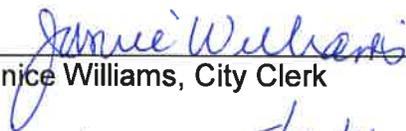
8. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ruby adjourned the meeting at 5:40 p.m.



Mayor Alice Ruby
[SEAL]

ATTEST:



Janice Williams, City Clerk

Approval Date: 5/12/16