

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
PENNINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION  
GOVERNMENT CENTER MEETING ROOM A  
JUNE 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019, 6:00 P.M.**

The Pennington County Board of Appeal and Equalization met in Meeting Room A of the Pennington County Government Center in Thief River Falls, MN, on Monday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.

Members present: Commissioner Donald Jensen, Commissioner Cody Hempel, Commissioner Neil Peterson, Commissioner Bruce Lawrence and County Auditor-Treasurer Kenneth Olson.

Absent: Commissioner Darryl Tveitbakk.

Also present: County Assessor Adeline Olson, property owners Gordon & MaryJo Myklebust, and Troy Larson.

The members of the Board of Appeal and Equalization were sworn in by County Attorney Seamus Duffy and signed the Official Oath of Office, which is on file in the County Auditor-Treasurer's Office. Commissioner Bruce Lawrence was appointed Chairman of the meeting.

Gordon & Mary Jo Myklebust stated they thought the value on their parcel (parcel #R25.10002520) was too high at \$266,100.00. Their backyard is adjacent to two commercial buildings and garbage is always finding a way into their yard. Semi-trucks sometimes run all night and drainage is a problem. They also compared to homes in their neighborhood. The County Assessor said they had looked at this home earlier and had reduced the value to the current \$266,100.00. The County Assessor reviewed the comparable sales that are all in that area and believe the estimated market value is fair. The Board took their request under advisement.

Troy Larson, (parcel #R25.06000700) was concerned about the increasing value on these four lots. The lots are in a flood plain and cannot be built on in their present condition. The value increased in 2014 through 2017 and because they were in the flood plain, he felt it was too high. The County Assessor stated that the value had decreased for 2019 as the camper trailer had been removed. The Assessor felt the value was fair at \$14,800.00. The Board took his concerns under advisement.

After further discussion no action was taken to reduce the value of these two requests.

The County Assessor then reviewed the actions taken by the Township and City Board of Appeal and Equalization meetings, the tillable section averages, and the township average values.

Commissioner Jensen motioned, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, that the real and personal property values as returned by the Local Board of Appeal and Equalization and submitted by the County Assessor, be accepted and approved. Motion unanimously carried.

Commissioner Hempel motioned, seconded by County Auditor-Treasurer Ken Olson, to adjourn the County Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting at 7:05 P.M. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Kenneth Olson, Auditor-Treasurer  
Pennington County

Bruce Lawrence, Chairman  
Board of Commissioners