

BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION HEARING  
MONDAY, APRIL 19, 2021 6:00 – 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Stelter with roll call stating which council members were present. Brovold, Timm, Mueller, and Himley along with City Clerk, Brenda Drager are present. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic this was set up as a GoToMeeting with County Assessor, Connie Erickson, and Local Assessor, Scott Hammerschmidt. The council met in the small room with social distancing of 6 feet and GoToMeeting was conducted by Connie Erickson and Scott Hammerschmidt with city laptop and chromebooks by a couple of members of council.

The Pledge of Allegiance

Connie Erickson verified that there were no outside calls from any Wood Lake residents before presenting her information. Connie informed the council that there were six houses sold in 2020 which were Berg to Hurt; Johnson to Ryder Properties; Hansen Trust to Christenson; House to Miller; Reisner to McGeary; Miller to Mendoza, and apartment sale from Chrisman to TK1 Investments. All properties were sold higher than market value but not enough to make it change. There were already two houses sold in 2021 up for review.

Connie shared information from other neighboring cities in the county and that they did not raise any farmland values. Farmland sales are strong right now. The county implemented a cost schedule pertaining to elevators with fertilizer plants based on if ten years or newer. If they are older than that they have started to depreciate already.


No interior inspections were made by the county due to COVID-19 and only exterior ones were done. Letters to 20% of population were sent out to homeowners explaining why inspections would be done on exterior only and what to expect when someone came to house to inspect. What they would be wearing, identification, documentation, green vest, etc. Trying to be transparent. They hung door hangers if not home. They had a really good response by sending out the letters and will continue to do that next year.

Throughout the meeting Connie checked to see if there were any new callers into the virtual meeting and there were none.

As this concluded the business for which this meeting was called, a motion by Timm and seconded by Mueller was made to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed with all in favor.

Mayor Stelter adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

  
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CLERK