

**Bridgewater City Council
Local Board of Equalization Meeting
March 18, 2019 7:00 pm**

The City Council of the City of Bridgewater met in the Council Room as the Local Board of Equalization on 03/18/19. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Michael Damm. Present were Bob Anderson, Mayor Damm, Dallas Furgeson, Travis Holthaus, Jessica Liesinger, Alicen Strombeck, Lacey Weber and Carolyn Meyer as the school board representative. Others present were Finance Officer—Joan Julson, Evelyn J Hofer, Tammy Hofer, Dawn Anderson, Sharon Anderson, Margie Peters and Roger Hofer. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Holthaus, second by Liesinger to open the 2019 Equalization book for review.

Motions made by majority vote and approved unanimously by those members present unless roll call identifies otherwise.

Parcel 18.11.0210: Evelyn J Hofer was present to appeal the property assessment for the year 2019. She objected to the amount of property value increase for the reason that her upstairs and basement are in very poor condition in her home.

Current valuation: Land (NA-D-S): \$2025 Buildings (NA-D1-S): \$46,700

Motion by Holthaus, second by Weber to lower the assessed value of the Buildings (NA-D1-S) to \$21,656 with Land (NA-D-S) remaining at \$2025 for a total value of \$23,681. All present voted aye.

Parcel 18.24.3303: Marjorie Peters was present to appeal the property assessment for the year 2019. She objected to the amount of property value increase for the reason that she has not done any updates on home and feels the increase is excessive as it has gone up the last 3 years.

Current valuation: Land (NA-D-S): \$4131 Buildings (NA-D1-S): \$33,300

Motion by Holthaus, second by Weber to lower the assessed value of the Buildings (NA-D1-S) to \$25,126 with Land (NA-D-S) remaining at \$4131 for a total value of \$29,257. All present voted aye.

Parcel 18.24.5201: Tammy Hofer was present to appeal the property assessment for the year 2019. She objected to the amount of property value increase of \$23,408 in one year. Original house area has original plaster walls, basement is not finished and can only be used for storage due to water, and there is no full bathroom in the house.

Current valuation: Land (NA-D-S): \$4077 Buildings (NA-D1-S & NA-D1): \$98,200

Motion by Holthaus, second by Weber to lower the assessed value of the Buildings (NA-D1-S & NA-D1) to \$96,143 with Land (NA-D-S) remaining at \$4077 for a total value of \$100,220. All present voted aye.

Parcel 18.32.0202: Roger Hofer was present to appeal the property assessment for the year 2019. He objected to the amount of property value increase of \$18,323 in one year.

Current valuation: Land (AG-D): \$13,413 Buildings (AG-D1): \$50,600

Motion by Holthaus, second by Weber to deny request to lower his 2019 Real Property Assessment Valuation on Parcel 18.32.0202. All present voted aye.

Parcel 18.24.2901: Sharon Anderson was present to appeal the property assessment for the year 2019. She objected to the amount of property value increase because the home on this property is not liveable and is getting taken down.

Current valuation: Land (NA-D): \$2066 Buildings (NA-D1): \$9800

Motion by Holthaus, second by Weber to lower the assessed value of the Buildings (NA-D1) to

\$3296 with Land (NA-D) remaining at \$2066 for a total value of \$5362. All present voted aye with Anderson abstaining.

Parcel 18.12.0409: Sharon Anderson was present to appeal the property assessment for the year 2019. She objected to the amount of property value increase. The building there is just sitting there to be moved this spring.

Current valuation: Land (NA-D): \$2700 Buildings (NA-D1): \$1400

Motion by Holthaus, second by Weber to lower the assessed value of the Buildings (NA-D1) to \$0 with Land (NA-D) remaining at \$2700 for a total value of \$2700. All present voted aye with Anderson abstaining.

Parcel 18.00.0307: Bob Anderson was present to appeal the property assessment for the year 2019. He objected to the amount of property value increase.

Current valuation: Land (NA-D): \$1250 Buildings (NA-D1): \$16,300

Motion by Holthaus, second by Weber to lower the assessed value of the Buildings (NA-D1) to \$8699 with Land (NA-D) remaining at \$1250 for a total value of \$9949. All present voted aye with Anderson abstaining.

Parcel 18.44.4016: Bob Anderson was present to appeal the property assessment for the year 2019. He objected to the amount of property value increase of \$21,451 in one year stating that the house is in poor shape with no updates.

Current valuation: Land (NA-D-S): \$2066 Buildings (NA-D1-S & NA-D1): \$37,600

Motion by Holthaus, second by Weber to lower the assessed value of the Buildings (NA-D1-S & NA-D1) to \$17867 with Land (NA-D-S) remaining at \$2066 for a total value of \$19,933. All present voted aye with Anderson abstaining.

Parcel 18.00.1407: Mike Damm was present to appeal the property assessment for the year 2019. He objected to the amount of property value increase of \$43,024 in one year stating that the house is only partly finished in the basement. The main floor & 2nd floor are all stud walls with some of the wiring completed.

Current valuation: Land (NA-D-S): \$2645 Buildings (NA-D1-S): \$116,400

Motion by Holthaus, second by Weber to lower the assessed value of the Buildings (NA-D1-S) to \$85,268 with Land (NA-D-S) remaining at \$2645 for a total value of \$87,913. All present voted aye.

Parcel 18.00.1406: Mike Damm was present to appeal the property assessment for the year 2019. He objected to amount of property value increase for a bare lot.

Current valuation: Land (NA-D-S): \$2025

Motion by Holthaus, second by Weber to deny request to lower his 2019 Real Property Assessment Valuation on Parcel 18.00.1406. All present voted aye.

Holthaus moved, seconded by Weber to accept the assessment rolls as modified and to close the 2019 Equalization process. Motion carried.

Motion by Liesinger, second by Meyer to adjourn. Motion carried. Time 9:20 pm.

Michael Damm – Mayor

Joan M Julson – Finance Officer