

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
LOCAL BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION
OF THE CITY OF MOORHEAD, MINNESOTA
THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2025**

The annual meeting of Local Board of Appeal and Equalization of the City of Moorhead, Clay County, Minnesota, was duly held on the 17th day of April, 2025, commencing at 6:30 pm.

Members Present: Shelly Carlson, Glen Deeton, Sebastian McDougall, Emily Moore, Nancy Bye, Kim Schlotfeldt, and Ryan DeJong.

Assessment Personnel Present: Nathan Aakre, Lori Lewis, Jana Wagner, Stephen Rolczynski, and Amy McDonnell

Formal Appeals Made at Meeting

There were no formal appeals to present to the board.

Formal Appeals Made Prior To Meeting

Mayor Carlson asked for approval of all changes submitted by formal appeal and reviewed by the Assessor's Office prior to the meeting by property owners disputing the value and/or classification of their properties. Details of the following formal appeals were listed in the BOE informational packet and made known to the Board.

Parcel: 58.072.0500

Owner: Fred Sternhagen & Jolene Beckman-Sternhagen

Change: Value reduction from \$219,200 to \$206,300

Parcel: 58.281.0660

Owner: Kyle Fiala

Change: Value reduction from \$389,000 to \$387,200

Parcel: 58.341.0090

Owner: Robert & Debra Remark

Change: Value reduction from \$426,700 to \$403,800

Parcel: 58.721.0690

Owner: Bennett Park Cooperative

Change: Value reduction from \$1,139,700 to \$1,131,200

Parcel: 58.819.0030
Owner: Charles Hartje
Change: Value reduction from \$197,600 to \$185,000

Emily Moore made a motion, seconded by Sebastian McDougall and passed by unanimous vote to approve the appeals submitted to the Assessor's Office prior to the Local Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting as addressed and handled by the Assessor's Office.

City Assessor Nathan Aakre explained to the board that there has been clarification from the Minnesota Department of Revenue representative regarding the requirements for the time the Local Board of Appeal and Equalization must be held, and also the length of time the meeting must stay open. He explained that the local board does not have to meet after 6:30 pm and it does not need to be open for at least 30 minutes.

Mayor Carlson asked for a motion to change the starting time of the meeting. Kim Schlotfeldt made a motion that starting next year, the meeting time be set at 4:30 p.m. Ryan DeJong seconded this motion. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Mayor Carlson next asked for a motion to modify the length of the meeting. Sebastian McDougall made a motion that it be held open for a minimum of 15 minutes. Emily Moore seconded this motion. The motion was approved by unanimous vote. City Assessor Aakre said these adjustments will also be added to the by-laws for the Local Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting.

Mayor Carlson adjourned the meeting of the 2025 Board of Appeal and Equalization adjourned at 6:45 PM.