

BIG STONE COUNTY BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION
June 11, 2012

The Big Stone County Board of Appeal and Equalization met in the Commissioner's Room at 7:00 PM on Monday, June 11, 2012. Chairman Wulff called the meeting to order with Commissioners Athey and Olson present. Commissioners Berning and Sandberg were absent. Also present were County Assessor Sandy Vold, County Deputy Auditor Sharon Finke and Assessor's Office staff Barb Amundson, Janet Messmer and Eric Banken. The Pledge of Allegiance followed and the Oath of Office was duly administered to the members of the Board of Appeal and Equalization.

Assessor Vold stated that she had 2 items for the Board to review. The first item was regarding property owned by Darleen Geyer in Browns Valley Township. A letter from the property owner was presented. The Browns Valley Board did not act on the request due to their quorum consisting of 2 of the 3 supervisors and 1 of the 2 present had a conflict of interest. However, their recommendation to the Board was for no change. Assessor Vold presented valuation comparisons of adjoining properties. Following discussion, motion by Olson, seconded by Athey and carried to recommend no change in the assessed value of Ms. Geyer's property given comparative land values.

The second item for review was regarding the Alvin and Shirley Kamstra home in the City of Beardsley. Deputy Assessor Amundson stated that in the past the Assessor's Office had been unable to view the home from the interior and had valued the home based on comparable structures. Recently, the Office was able to view the interior of the home and, based upon that, is recommending the value be changed from \$47,900 to \$33,200. Motion by Olson, seconded by Athey and carried to change the value of parcel 16-0139-000 from \$47,900 to \$33,200 based on the Assessor's Office recommendation.

Assessor Vold stated that no further appointments had been scheduled and asked if there were any questions on the sales data they had received.

Motion by Athey, seconded by Olson and carried to adopt the following resolution:

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WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 274.13 requires that the County Board of Appeal and Equalization shall equalize the assessment of the property of the County; and WHEREAS, the Big Stone County Board of Appeal and Equalization has examined and compared the returns of the assessment of property as prepared by the County Assessor.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the valuation of all remaining property located in Big Stone County not previously considered by this Board, be ordered approved and equalized as presented by the County Assessor.

There being no further business before the Board of Appeal and Equalization, Chairman Wulff adjourned the meeting at 7:21 PM.

Walter Wulff, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Sharon Finke, Deputy Auditor