

Minutes of the Meeting of the Avon Township Appeals & Equalization Board

Monday, April 19, 2021

Call to Order: Chair Mike Linn called to order the meeting of the Avon Township Appeals and Equalization Board at 7:00 P.M. of the main chamber of the Avon Township Hall (16881 Queens Road Avon, MN). The meeting was also available via Zoom at <https://csbsju.zoom.us/j/98314633154>.

Pedge of Allegiance: The pledge was recited.

Roll Call: Present – Mike Linn, Kelly Martini, Ken Mergen, Rich Sanoski, Stephen Saupe. Also present: Stearns County Assessors Kathy Korte and Jake Pidde.

Approval of Agenda: Linn moved to approve the agenda as presented. Sanoski second. All in favor. Motion carried.

Welcome: Linn welcomed everyone and introductions were made.

Procedures: The purpose of this meeting is to provide residents the opportunity to review their assessment mailed in mid-March. The Town Board makes the final decision on adjustments; the assessors serve in an advisory capacity. Residents can appeal the Town decision to the County. Supervisor Linn holds a current Certification for Board of Appeals.

Sales Summary:

- Ms. Korte provided a summary of sales in the Township: there were 10 qualified sales in the Township (7 residential, 3 lake) with an overall average adjustment of about 4%. The ratio is about 85%. There were 7 new constructions in the Township; overall there is low inventory available.

Requests & Actions:

- **Resident Requests:** Ms. Korte stated that 8-10 individuals had contacted her. Most were discussions of sales. No one was scheduled to attend tonight's meeting, though one person may show up.
- **Wayne Maciejewski (PID 03.00865.0000):** Mr. Wayne Maciejewski appeared at the meeting to discuss his 20-acre property. He would like to build a residence on the property but it does not have a building credit. He was told that his options would be to rezone the property or transfer a building credit to the property. The assessed value for the property is \$115,700, which is based on the property having a building credit. Ms. Korte recommended that the assessed value be revised to \$80,600, the value excluding a building credit. Linn moved to accept the revised assessment of \$80,600 for Mr. Wayne Maciejewski (03.00865.0000). Sanoski second. All in favor. Motion carried. Mr. Maciejewski said he would attend the next Planning Commission meeting to inquire about a zoning change.
- There were no other appeals.

Other Business

- Linn Resignation – This was Supervisor Linn’s last meeting; he has resigned his position. Mergen and Sanoski both thanked Linn for his service to the Township. The Supervisors will make plans to appoint a replacement at their next regular meeting.

Upcoming Meetings

- Planning Commission – April 28, 2021 at 7:00 PM.
- Town Board – May 5, 2021 at 7:00 PM.
- Road Inspection – May 1, 2021 at 9:00 AM.

Adjournment: Linn moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 PM. Sanoski second. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Saupe, *Clerk*

date _____

Supervisor Approval:

date _____

LeRoy Gondringer

Rich Sanoski

Will Huston, Chair