

**MINUTES OF THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD
OF EQUALIZATION AND REVIEW 8/12/2009**

The Warren County Board of Equalization and Review met at 1:00 PM on Wednesday, August 12, 2009 in the Warren County Public Library Community Room. Present were Chairman Barry Richardson, Board members Oscar Meek, Joel Febel, Larry Carver, Russell King, R.E. Mitchum, assessor; Bobby Almond, Wampler Appraisal and Annette Silver clerk. Minutes from August 5, 2009 meeting were reviewed and approved by motion of Febel and second by Carver.

Mitchum presented concerns addressed by Dorothy Wilker at the July 29, 2009 meeting with the following recommendations and approvals by Board. Leonard and Dorothy Wilker E4/26 reduce house value to \$1344 by motion of Carver and second by Febel. Leonard Wilker E5/137 adjust land value to \$16,800 (3 ac wood and 2 ac cleared) motion by Carver second by King. Dorothy Wilker E5/198 Crestwood M/H Park, the motion is to reduce all hook-ups to \$2,500 by Carver second by Meek. Leonard Wilker E5/192 and house the recommendation is no change in value by motion of Carver and second by Febel.

Tract E5/199 & house recommendation no change motion by Carver second by King. Tract E5/135 recommendation is to reduce the mobile home hook-ups to \$3,500 each adjusting total to \$27,800 per motion of Febel and second by Meek. Tract H1B/33 lot 71 Nocarva motion by Meek second by Febel to reduce lot value by half (\$9,204).

LAURA K. TYSON C11/35 Taxpayer request of \$69,000 on land and house. Motion was made by Meek with second by King to reduce house value by 15% equaling \$97,039

**CAROLYN PRICE – NANCY SHELL - JANICE DAVIS L2D/204 BEING LOT
17A WILDWOOD POINT AND 5.70 AC ON HIGHWAY 158 BUS**

Wildwood Point lot is land locked with undesirable terrain. Motion was made by Meek with second by Febel to reduce to \$20,000. Land on Highway 158 Bus is considered undesirable by family. No change in value by motion by Meek and second by Febel.

HEIRS OF C.H. PEETE F1/2

Taxpayers believe distribution of acreage incorrect on records with more waterfront located in VA than NC. Motion was made by Carver and second by Febel for tax assessor to re-calculate acres.

JOHN AND FRANK NEWELL E6/80,81,83,83A,62,60,74

Newell's have a conservation easement agreement with the State of North Carolina and Tar River Land Conservancy, Inc. that restricts any development of land. Motion was made by King and second by Carver for Mitchum to review agreement and make further recommendations to Board on restrictions.

WILLIAM O & MARION BEST D9/148 LT 36 BLUEGRASS MOUNTAIN & D/W

Dwelling is listed as a modular when in fact it is a double-wide. Motion was made by Meek and second by Febel to change dwelling classification, reducing value to \$127,382.

NORMAN PAYNTER E3/112 AND E3 112D

Taxpayer states house has no indoor bathroom or road frontage for 4.73 acre tract. Motion was made by King with second by Carver to reduce to \$35,000. The 9.74 acre tract is swampy. Motion was made by Carver with second by King to reclassify woodland to reflect such.

ASHLEY WHITE & OTHERS – HAL WHITE & OTHERS – ASHLEY AND STUART WHITE- HAL & SHIRLEY WHITE

The taxpayers had several concerns on dwellings and land locations. Board agreed to table concerns until next meeting to allow taxpayer and assessor to meet.

MARY COCHRANE AND JOHN FREEMAN E5D/105 LOT & HSE TARWATER

Taxpayers compared their home to Dun-Mor (E6B/17) and Marc Steer (E6B/196) dwellings citing differences. Motion was made by Febel and second by King to change class of dwelling and reduce basement from finished to ½ finished basement.

LINDA JOHNS G5D/51 LOT & HOUSE AND L3D/3A LOT 5R SUNNY ACRES

Taxpayer presented an appraisal for house in Macon done in June 2009 for \$118,000. Motion was made by King and second by Carver to adjust value to reflect appraisal. The Sunny Acres lot is to be reduced to \$ 225,000 by motion of Carver with second by Meek.

TRAVIS & IRENE ORMSBY E5D/53 54-57-61-63 PECK AREA N MAIN STREET

Taxpayer was unable to attend due to medical reasons. Recommendation was for Mitchum to review concerns and present to Board at next meeting.

Mitchum presented concerns addressed by Paul & Dorothy Kearney – Paul & Emanuel Kearney and Catherine Kearney Heirs, and Heirs of Violet Bosewell voiced at July 29, 2009 meeting.

C7/38 9ac & house Paul & Emanuel Kearney no change in value

C7/37 25 ac & house Paul & Emanuel Kearney Motion by Febel second by Carver to adjust depreciation of dwelling to \$16,698

D7/39B 7.20 ac Paul Kearney No change in value by motion of Meek and King

D8/46E 1.07 ac & house Paul & Dorothy Kearney Motion made by Febel and second by Meek to accept recommendation by Mitchum to adjust house on Hwy 401 to \$24,294

D8/46D 24.66 ac & house Paul & Dorothy Kearney Motion was made by Meek with second by King to adjust primary dwelling to \$96,000, the cabin to \$30,000 with the recommended total value being \$172, 096

D7/2A 11.70 acres Paul & Dorothy Kearney, no change to value by motion of Febel and second by Meek

D7/2B 1.2 ac Paul & Dorothy Kearney Motion was made by King with second by Meek to remove home site consideration, making land a mixed grade.

B5/50 3.85 ac & house Heirs of Catherine Kearney Motion by Febel and second by Meek to reduce house value to \$109,506

A5/33 & 34 8/10 ac & bldg Heirs of Catherine Kearney Motion by Febel and second by King to reduce to \$116,352

B5/44 6.37 ac Motion was made by Meek and second by Febel not to change value.

Anne Hartley and Roanoke Reserve sent an e-mail to the assessor expressing distain at Board's refusal to accept their proposed settlement. Board recommended assessor respond with statement that plan was unacceptable and taxpayers should appeal to the State as the next step in the process.

With no further business, meeting adjourned.