

ORONOCO TOWNSHIP
Board of Appeal & Equalization Minutes
April 15, 2024

Oronoco Townships Local Board of Appeal & Equalization was called to order on April 15, 2024 at 4:00, by Chair Ken Mergen. Supervisors Ken Mergen, Tammy Matzke and Joel Johanningmeier were present, as was Clerk Jody Schroeder. Olmsted County Appraisers Josh Dennison, Julie Hackman, and Cheryl Gleghorn were present.

Loren Gev, 11724 11th Ave NE was present. He asked why there was no homestead exclusion on his taxes. Assessor Dennison stated that the market value surpassed the tax evaluation. The evaluation was just increased for 2025 so he would Mr. Gev would see the homestead on his taxes for 2025. Mr Gev asked Assessor Dennison how often properties are assessed. Assessor Dennison stated they are done every 5 years, generally done in the fall.

Assessor Dennison noted persons who contacted him about valuation changes.

Marie Bakken, 1417 1st Ave SW. There was a motion made by Supervisor Matzke to change the valuation from \$165, 700 to \$159,100, seconded by Supervisor Mergen. The motion was carried unanimously.

Greg Stanford, 1206 1st Ave SW. There was a motion made by Supervisor Mergen to change the valuation from \$236,000 to \$210,000, seconded by Supervisor Johanningmeier. The motion was carried unanimously.

Greg Schall, 1997 White Bridge Rd NE. There was a motion made by Supervisor Mergen to change the valuation from \$598,700 to \$563,000, seconded by Supervisor Matzke. The motion was carried unanimously.

Assessor Hackman stated the median sale prices for this area have increased; Byron: 6%, Chatfield: 6%, Oronoco: 32.8%, Pine Island: 36.6%, Rochester: 3.3%, and Stewartville: 7.7%.

Supervisor Matzke mentioned the building moratorium for Oronoco Township. She stated that there are 2 potential developments once the moratorium is lifted. Markham Farms would like to develop 54 homes and the Waters of Sator Dalons Bay develop 24 homes.

There was a motion made by Supervisor Matzke, seconded by Supervisor Johanningmeier. The motion was carried unanimously.

Jody Schroeder, Clerk

Ken Mergen, Supervisor, Chair

Tammy Matzke, Supervisor

Joel Johanningmeier, Supervisor