

**Proceedings of the Board of Review
Wednesday, May 12, 2010
3:00 PM to 5:00 PM**

**New Berlin City Hall
3805 S. Casper Drive, New Berlin
Council Chambers**

- A. Call to Order; Roll Call; Declaration of Quorum
Board members present: Don Starr, Gary Beier and Cliff Pautz.
Others: City Clerk Kari Morgan, Deputy City Clerk Christine Stefanich, City Assessor Paul Koller, Appraiser Bill Meyer and Appraiser Sherman Pagenkopf. Jr..
- B. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair
Motion by Gary Beier to elect Cliff Pautz as Chairperson. Seconded by Don Starr and carried.

Motion by Don Starr to elect Gary Beier as Vice-Chairperson. Seconded by Cliff Pautz and carried.
- C. Verification of training requirements pursuant to Section 70.46 (4) and 73.03 (55)
Clerk Morgan announced that Chairman Cliff Pautz has up to date certification.
- D. Review of Procedures
Chairman Pautz reviewed the Hearing Format.
- E. Assessors Report
City Assessor Paul Koller stated that this is a maintenance year for the assessments. They sent out assessment notices on April 16 and held open book from April 19 through April 23. Explained there are two objections pending before the board. Presented board with assessment totals for the total assessed value of the City and presented the assessment roll for the board's review.
- F. Review Assessment Roll
The Board of Review members reviewed the Assessment Roll following the hearings.
- G. Schedule Appeals to Assessment, if necessary
None.
- H. Hear Appeals to Assessment, if necessary
Alicia Jetzer
Tax Key No. 1287.998 at 16790 W College Avenue
Hearing started at 3:11PM with all persons being sworn to oath by City Clerk. Hearing ended at 3:40 PM.
Ms. Jetzer provided the board with pictures of water damage to her property, comparables of other homes in her area and a map of her property showing where the flooding occurs. She feels that because she has such significant water issues on her property that her assessment should be lowered. Ms. Jetzer admitted that she constructed a new garage in the same place as her old one and replaced/repared water tiles for a total of about \$40,000 to \$50,000 in improvements to her property. Her current assessed value is \$264,600 and she feels it should be \$250,000.

Assessor Paul Koller and Appraiser Bill Meyer went through the history of this property with respect to decreases they have been granted in the past due to the continuing water issues. They also reviewed the comparables that Ms. Jetzer provided to the board and explained why they do not feel they can be

used as comparables. Assessor Koller explained that they take the water issue into account when they do the assessment, but she did have improvements on her property this year which added \$14,600 to last year's value after they met with Ms. Jetzer for Open Book. Assessor Koller explained that the increased value in her assessment was far less than what the actual improvements were on her property since last year's assessment.

Motion by Gary Beier to sustain the assessor's valuation. Seconded by Don Starr and carried unanimously. Chairman Pautz did request as the board has done in the past that Ms. Jetzer work on getting this water issue resolved.

Britton Bell and Michael Pitcock

Tax Key No. 1212.028 at 3543 S. 157th St.

Hearing started at 3:44 PM with all persons being sworn to oath by City Clerk. Hearing ended at 3:49PM.

Ms. Bell stated that she feels she is mentally incompetent because of lack of sleep and does not know where some of the records are due to her husband being in the hospital. She is requesting her property be adjusted up but would like an extension and could provide a doctor's report. Chairman Pautz stated that due to the circumstances the board could grant Ms. Bell an extension and a doctor's report would probably be good to have as well. Ms. Bell stated that one week from today would be just fine. The hearing with Ms. Bell was tentatively scheduled for May 19, 2010 at 4:00p.m.

I. Create a new hearing schedule for written objections/appeals filed but not heard
None.

J. Adjourn

Motion by Gary Beier to adjourn Board of Review to May 19, 2010 pending outcome of the meeting Ms. Bell is having with Assessor Paul Koller on May 17, 2010. Seconded by Cliff Pautz and carried unanimously at 5:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Kari Morgan
City Clerk