ALLEGHENY COUNTY BOARD OF PROPERTY ASSESSMENT APPEALS & REVIEW

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 2024

PRESENT:

WAYDE FARGOTSTEIN, BOARD CHAIR

RICHARD SNIPE, VICE CHAIR

MICHELLE PAYANZO, SECRETARY

MICHAEL SULEY, MEMBER

SUSAN THORNTON LARA, MEMBER

ALSO PRESENT:

AMY SCHREMPF, BOARD SOLICITOR

BARBARA BALDWIN, BOARD ADMINISTRATOR

ABSENT:

LESANS MONTGOMERY, MEMBER

Call to Order, Roll Call

Mr. Fargotstein called the meeting to order at 8:02a.m. Ms. Payanzo called the roll and determined that all were present except for Ms. LeSans Montgomery, and a Quorum was present.

Approval of the Minutes of the Prior Regular Meeting of July 18, 2024

Ms. Payanzo made a motion to table meeting minutes to the next Board meeting of Thursday, August 15, 2024. Mr. Suley seconded. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Public Comment Period

1) Parcel ID# 449-B-14 - Ms. Adedara present before the Board to request a new notice of disposition with a current date.

Motion was made by Mr. Suley. Seconded by Mr. Snipe to approve request to reissue a new disposition with a current date. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

2) Parcel ID#1654-A-54 and Parcel ID# 917-C-25 – Ms. Tuncic present before the Board to request Special Appeal Request

Ms. Schrempf, Board Solicitor, requested to table Ms. Turcic's request for further review and to ensure the Board takes the appropriate action.

3) Parcel ID# 1-N-281 – Mr. Yoder present to request to conform timely filed 2022 appeal application to 2023 appeal application.

Ms. Schrempf, Board Solicitor, requested to table Mr. Yoder's request for further review and to ensure the Board takes the appropriate action.

4) Parcel ID# 1347-G-275 – Mr. Yoder – request to reissue a new disposition with a current date.

Motion was made by Mr. Snipe. Seconded by Mr. Suley to approve request to reissue a new disposition with a current date. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED

Solicitor's Report (Ms. Schrempf)

None proffered. Requested an executive session.

Appeals Department Report (Ms. Brown)

Ms. Brown – Provided the Appeals Department Status Report for tax years 2020 through 2024 as submitted.

Items from OPA Department (Ms. Brooks)

None proffered.

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Items from the Board Administrator (Ms. Baldwin)

Rescind and Reissue | Parcel ID# 445-J-240 (Ms. Book)

Motion was made by Mr. Suley. Seconded by Ms. Payanzo to approve request to rescind and reissue a new disposition with corrected values. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Rescind and Reissue | Parcel ID# 435-E-80 (Mr. Gurvich)

Motion was made by Mr. Suley. Seconded by Ms. Payanzo to approve request to rescind and reissue a new disposition with corrected values. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Request to rescind and rehear | Parcel ID# 48-E-200 (Werner)

Motion was made by Mr. Suley. Seconded by Ms. Thornton Lara to rescind and rehear appeal hearing for parcel IDE 48-E-200 All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Request to rescind and rehear | Parcel ID# 131-M-18, 20 and 22 (Mr. Birdy)

Motion was made by Ms. Payanzo. Seconded by Mr. Suley to rescind and rehear appeal hearings for Parcel ID# 131-M-18, 131-M-20 and 131-M-22. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Late Filed Appeal | Parcel ID# 131-G-85 (Mr. Nernberg)

Motion was made by Ms. Thornton Lara. Seconded by Mr. Suley to deny the Nunc Pro Tunc for 2023 and accept as a timely filed appeal for 2024. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Reissue Disposition with a Current Date | Parcel ID# 1995-G-10 (Witek)

Motion was made by Mr. Suley. Seconded by Mr. Snipe to approve request to reissue a new disposition with a current date. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Reissue Disposition with a Current Date | Parcel ID# 1347-G-275 (Schmitt) – covered under public comment.

Request to conform timely filed 2022 appeal application to 2023 appeal application \mid Parcel ID# 1-N-281 (Pogozelski) – Item tabled under public comments.

Reissue Disposition with a Current Date | Parcel ID# 449-B-14 (Adedara) – covered under public comment.

Special Appeal Request \mid Parcel ID# 1654-A-54 and 917-C-25 (Uhler) – Item tabled under public comments.

BPAAR Rules and Regulations – discussed 2024 and 2025 Board rules and regulations. Board Administrator will send 2025 rules and regulations to County Council.

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Board Approval List

- a) Tax Year 2024, First Parcel ID# 524-A-274 a. Parcel ID# 1074-C-276
- b) Tax Year 2023, First Parcel ID# 1322-H-85
- c) Tax Year 2022, First Parcel ID# 1223-L-81
- d) Tax Year 2022(Y), First Parcel ID# 1322-H-85

No pulls or recusals.

Motion was made by Mr. Suley and Seconded by Mr. Snipe to approve the Board approval list as submitted. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Old Business.

Board directive (6-19) to Solicitor regarding petition to Judge Hertzberg (4) – Discussed in detail Executive Session

New Business.

Responsibility of scheduling hearings; OPA or BPAAR – discussion held regarding the roles of the BPAAR administrator and Board Solicitor.

Motion was made by Mr. Suley for OPA Administration and Staff, all the way up to OPA Manager Carolyn Brooks report to BPAAR Administrator. Board Solicitor no longer to be involved in the administration of the BPAAR. Seconded by Mr. Snipe. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Board Meeting recessed to go into an Executive Session

No action items were presented from the Executive Session

Board Meeting reconvened from an Executive Session for Adjournment

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 a.m.

Michelle Payanzo, Board Secretary

Next Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 15, 2024