

## **REAL ESTATE TAX CYCLE COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, July 8, 2020

**PRESENT:** P. Chapman, M. King, M. Walters, C. Hankins  
**ABSENT:** K. Novacich-Koberna  
**OTHERS:** D. Parizon, T. Manoogian, J. Dauderman, P. Curtin, C. Slusser, K. Wathan, J. Perry,  
P. Taylor

The minutes from the June meeting were approved by all members present.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

### **TREASURER:**

C. Slusser reported the first installment due date is July 9<sup>th</sup> with an extended grace period to September 9<sup>th</sup>. He said they have made 4 distributions this tax year and distributed \$23,208,173.54 which is 5.15% of taxes extended. The next distribution is scheduled for July 23, 2020. Mr. Slusser said there is an increase in tax bill collections over last year noting that over 18,000 people have already paid their bills in full despite the grace period extension.

Mr. Slusser presented a dashboard created by Mr. Parizon that shows numerous categories pertaining to Madison County tax transactions.

### **COUNTY CLERK:**

D. Ming-Mendoza reported they continue to make mobile home tax bill corrections and are working on the railroad abstracts for the Department of Revenue. She also mentioned they are busy with vital records and election preparation.

### **RECORDER:**

P. Curtin reported they have had business as usual and provided graphs to the committee. She highlighted that the electronic document submissions from June, 2019 (1,134) to June, 2020 (2,420) has risen significantly.

### **COUNTY ASSESSOR:**

J. Dauderman reported they are working on 2019 tax bill corrections and that the 2020 name changes and exemptions are up to date. The research techs are working on June transfers. The quad work is 500 parcels shy of completion in Venice. All residential building permits are complete and are working on the commercial permits currently. He said the publications and mailings for reassessment notices will be sent out a little later than usual and they are reviewing and calculating 2021 farm values.

### **BOARD OF REVIEW:**

T. Manoogian reported they continue to correct tax bills, mostly for seniors who forgot to renew their exemptions and have been answering tax bills questions. He also said they have been processing the Senior Freeze and Home Improvement Exemptions as well as State Exemption Applications. Lastly, they are preparing evidence for appeals that were filed against their decision to PTAB.

Madison County residents wishing to appeal their taxes will be able to start that process once the reassessment notices are mailed out. Once that process is available, the number of appeals from 2019 to 2020 can be compared.

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY:**

K. Wathan reported they have been busy providing general I.T support to various county departments.

Mr. King moved, seconded by Mr. Walters to approve the Property Trustee Report as presented. The ayes and nays being called on the motion to approve resulted in a vote as follows: AYES: M. King, M. Walters, C. Hankins NAYS: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Mr. Walters moved, seconded by Mr. King to approve the monthly bills. The ayes and nays being called on the motion to approve resulted in a vote as follows: AYES: M. King, M. Walters, C. Hankins NAYS: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

P. Curtin revisited the vinegar syndrome issue in the Recorder's Office that is affecting their property documents (1974-1984) and said they performed another test on a different sample which resulted in those documents also being affected. Ms. Curtin noted that with Covid restrictions in place, and limiting access to their vault to 2 title searchers at a time, has prohibited them to operate efficiently. Ms. Curtin goes in to detail how digitizing that 10 year span of documents will help with various matters and reiterated this is not a concern that will go away. Discussions have taken place with Ms. Ming-Mendoza and was noted a plan will be put into place after the County Clerk/Recorder consolidation. Also, due to the size of the project, performing the job in house is impractical. Please refer to the audio for the discussion in detail.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None.

Mr. Walters moved, seconded by Mr. Hankins to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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