

AT A MEETING OF THE VALUE ADJUSTMENT
BOARD HELD IN AND FOR GADSDEN COUNTY,
FLORIDA ON OCTOBER 17, 2024 AT 10:00 AM,
THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDING WAS HAD, VIZ:

Present: ERIC HINSON, Commissioner
 KIMBLIN NESMITH, Commissioner, Absent
 CATHY JOHNSON, School Board Representative
 CHRISSY SHORTER-ARNOLD, Real Property Representative
 FREDERICA YOUNG, Commercial Property Representative
 LOUIS J. BAPTISTE, VAB Attorney
 ADRIANA QUIJADA, Deputy Clerk
 LEANN JINKS, Clerk Secretary to The Board

1. Call to Order

Chair Hinson called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

2. Reconvene Meeting from September 10, 2024 and announce all petitions have been withdrawn.

Chair Hinson read the above. Mr. Baptiste stated the Property Appraiser and the Clerk received several petitions this year and they have received notice of withdrawal for all of them.

3. Approval of Minutes

- a. September 10, 2024
- b. October 17, 2024

FREDERICA YOUNG MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE ITEM 3A AND 3B AND CHRISSY SHORTER-ARNOLD MADE THE SECOND. THE BOARD VOTED 4-0 TO APPROVE.

4. Discussion and Approval of Attorney Fees

Mr. Baptiste stated when the VAB voted on attorney fees last year, they voted for it to be a fixed rate. The county commissioners paid 2/3 and school board paid 1/3 of the attorney fees. He stated training was difficult this year but was able to pass at 95%. The certificate was given to the Clerk.

Commissioner Hinson mentioned petitions increasing every year and stated that the Property Appraiser is evaluating property taxes different.

CHRISSY SHORTER-ARNOLD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE FLAT RATE OF \$20,000 FOR ATTORNEY FEES AND CATHY JOHNSON MADE THE SECOND. THE BOARD VOTED 4-0 TO APPROVE.

Adjournment

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, CHAIR HINSON ADJOURNED
THE MEETING AT 10:13 A.M.**

GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA

**ERIC HINSON, Chair
Value Adjustment Board**

ATTEST:

NICHOLAS THOMAS, Clerk