

**BIG STONE COUNTY BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION**  
**June 20, 2023**

The Big Stone County Board of Appeal and Equalization met in the Commissioners' Room at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, June 20, 2023. Chairman Olson called the meeting to order with Commissioners Athey, Sandberg, Klages and Zimmel present. Also present were County Auditor-Treasurer Michelle Knutson, County Assessor Sandy Vold, Deputy Assessor Barb Amundson, Appraiser Chris Dorry, Appraiser Andrew Maas, Coordinator Pam Rud and County Attorney Maggie Kluver. The Oath of Office was duly administered to the members of the Board of Appeal and Equalization.

Property owner Tom Oakes was present to appeal the value on parcel 22-0412-000. Mr. Oakes felt that the value assessed at \$329,400 was too high as he purchased the home for \$295,000 and it was previously valued at \$282,000.

Assessor Vold presented information as to how the home was assessed and showed three comparable homes that also had similar increases in their value.

After hearing the request, the Board took the following action:

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Knutson and carried to deny Tom Oakes request to lower his value on parcel 22-0412-000.

Assessor Vold reviewed sales data and value comparisons and discussion was held.

Motion by Sandberg, seconded by Zimmel and carried to adopt the following resolution:

**2023-13**

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 274.13 requires that the County Board of Appeal and Equalization shall equalize the assessment of the property of the County; and WHEREAS, the Big Stone County Board of Appeal and Equalization has examined and compared the returns of the assessment of property as prepared by the County Assessor.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the valuation of all property located in Big Stone County be ordered approved and equalized as presented by the County Assessor.

There being no further business before the Board of Appeal and Equalization, Chairman Olson adjourned the meeting at 7:37 PM.

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Brent Olson, Chairman

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Pam Rud, Coordinator