

Board of Tax Assessors Meeting

Minutes of the October 8, 2026 Meeting

Members Present: MaryBeth Burnette, Dennis Conway, Raymond Gunnin, Eric Wilmarth and Mark Young were present for the meeting.

Staff Present: Steve Swindell, Trey Stephens, Mike Cotra, Ricky Hitt, Lee Johnson, Kimberly Millsap, Becky Parker, Rhonda Peterson and Jenny Thomas were present for the meeting.

Attorney: Darrell Caudill of Roach, Caudill & Frost LLP was present for the meeting.

- 1. Call to Order:** MaryBeth Burnette called the meeting to order.
- 2. Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Mark Young to adopt the agenda, seconded by Raymond Gunnin and approved by each Board Member.
- 3. Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Mark Young to approve the September 24, 2026 meeting Minutes, seconded by Raymond Gunnin and approved by each Board Member.
- 4. Consent Agenda:** Motion by Mark Young to move Batch E-1, Batch E-2, SW Base Corrections, Batch P1, Batch P3, Batch P7, Batch 1A, Batch 1B, Batch 1H, Batch 3, Batch 3A, Batch 3B, Batch MH1, Batch 5, Batch 5A, Batch 5B, Batch 5P, Batch 5CB and Batch 5CR to the consent agenda and follow staff recommendations, seconded by Raymond Gunnin and approved by all Members.

Front Office, Becky Parker, Receiver of Records

Batch E-1-1, Current Year Changes

Batch E-2, Reinstated Exemptions

SW Base Corrections

Personal Property Department, Rhonda Peterson, Project Manager

Batch P1, Standard Agenda

Batch P3, Appeals Agenda

Batch P7, Hearing Officer

Commercial Department, Blake McFarland, Senior Appraiser

Batch 1A, Appeal Changes

Batch 1B, Certify to BOE

Batch 1H, Certify to Hearing Officer

Residential Department, Lee Johnson, Senior Appraiser

Batch 3, Changes

Batch 3A, Appeal Changes

Batch 3B, Certify to BOE

Rural Department, Ricky Hitt, Senior Appraiser

Batch MH1, Mobile Home Changes

Batch 5, Current Year Changes

Batch 5A, Appeal Changes

Batch 5B, Certify to BOE

Batch 5P, Previous Years

Batch 5CB, CUVA Breaches

Batch 5CR, Conservation Releases

5. Chief Appraisers Report

Steve reviewed the ending 2026 Budget Report and the current 2027 Budget Report.

We have 292 appeals on 30-Day Notice, 93 to BOE and 110 to a Hearing Officer on this Agenda. There are 926 remaining appeals.

Steve, Trey, Lee and Ricky attended the 2026 WinGap Conference in Savannah last week.

Steve explained the new senior exemption policy being implemented to the Board.

The next BOA meeting will be on Thursday, October 22, 2026 at 9:00 AM.

6. Attorney's Report / Executive Session: Darrell reviewed pending litigation cases.

7. Adjournment: Motion by Mark Young to approve, seconded by Raymond Gunnin and approved by each Board Member.

Mary Beth Burnette, Chairman

Jenny Thomas, Secretary