

**April 20, 2020 @ 10:00am Board of Appeal & Equalization**  
**(This meeting was held via Video Conferencing thru Crow Wing County)**

Present were Chairman Jeff Schommer, Supervisor Dave Hauser, Assessor Gary Griffin and clerk A. Anderson.

G. Griffin stated it was important to note this meeting was to discuss the 2020 assessment values and classification only. No property tax or previous year's valuations can be considered at this meeting.

Options available to the Board include: **a-** No Change, **b-** Lower the value (The township value cannot be reduced by more than 1% of the townships total valuation – Township Total Value \$326,671,600 = 1% of Value \$3,266,716), **c-**Raise the Value, **d-**Change the classification, **e-**Have the assessor inspect the property and report to the Local Board (within the 20-day format)

Appellants with an appointment were heard first, all via a telephone conference call.

Dave Eichers – PID 77120511

Stated that property value was increased by over 9 ½ %. This is 20 acres with power lines and a county road going thru and would like to have the value lowered. Griffin stated that property values were increased by \$200 per acre across that county. There was discussion. J. Schommer made a **motion (1)** to lower the value by \$2,000, seconded by D. Hauser. Motion carried.

Lowell Jensen – PID 77290586

Questioned the increase in value – 21 acres. Griffin again stated the property values were increased by \$200 per acre for all of Crow Wing County. After further review and discussion, D. Hauser made a **motion (2)** leave the valuation as is – NO Change, seconded by J. Schommer. Motion carried.

Richard Hansen – PID 77190606 & 77190607

Questioned an increase on 77190606 of over 32%. Griffin stated that the house is on both of these parcels and they just shifted the value of the house from 77190607 to 77190606. There was further discussion regarding the buildings. Griffin will clarify which parcel has the majority of the buildings. J. Schommer made a **motion (3)** for No Change in the value, seconded by D. Hauser. Motion carried.

Jerry Luger (on behalf of Douglas Luger) – PID 77270528

Questioned the valuation was correct. Owner thought he had purchased 8.3 acres and tax statement stated 6.79 acres. Griffin reviewed and recommended No Change. J. Schommer made a **motion (4)** for No Change in the value, seconded by D. Hauser. Motion carried.

Dave Hauser – PID 77280525

Griffin recommended No Change and will be in contact with Hauser after meeting.

Jeff Ehrich – PIN 77120517

Griffin stated that Little Pine River runs thru this property. County recommended lowering the value. After discussion J. Schommer made a **motion (5)** to lower the value as recommended by the assessor, seconded by D. Hauser. Motion carried.

With no additional Appellants, J. Schommer made a **motion (6)** to adjourn the Board of Appeal & Equalization meeting at 11:30am, seconded by D. Hauser. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,  
 Anna Anderson, Clerk