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Minutes of the
Property Tax Appeal Board
June 14, 2022 – 10:00 a.m.
Springfield & Des Plaines, Illinois

- 1. Roll Call:** Chairman Freeman, Mr. Bilotta, Sarah Buckley, Dana D. Kinion, and Robert J. Steffen.
- Staff:** Michael O'Malley, Executive Director and General Counsel
David Suarez, Chief Information Officer
David Eagan, PTAB Information Technology
Kelly McAuliffe, Recording Secretary
Phyllis McJunkins
- Guests:** Call-in connections identified as follows:

Kevin Griffin, Griffin & Associates
Michael Bullock, Property Tax Appeal Board
Unidentified caller – 1

Chairman Freeman convened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. and welcomed the Board Members and the Management Team to the Property Tax Appeal Board Meeting.

2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

Mr. Bilotta motioned to approve the Mayu 2022 Board Minutes as presented. Mrs. Kinion seconded the motion, and it carried 5-0.

3. Adoption or Amendments to the Agenda

Item C from Section 5 - Discussion of Motion

Eddie Lindt: #19-54366-R-1 (Cook – Lake)

Chairman Freeman motioned item "C" from "Section 5" up in the Agenda for discussion, Mr. Bilotta seconded, and it carried 5-0.

BOARD MEMBERS

Jim Bilotta
Frankfort

Robert J. Steffen
South Barrington

Dana D. Kinion
Springfield

Sarah Buckley
Chicago

Mr. Kevin Griffin, Griffin & Associates, spoke on behalf of his motion asking the Board to reject the Board of Review's untimely disclosure of supplementary documentary evidence.

Mr. Steffen moved to reject the Board of Review's untimely disclosure of additional documentary evidence and request for a hearing; Mrs. Kinion seconded the motion, which carried 5-0.

4. Executive Director's Report

a. HR/Fiscal Update:

- a. HR: Job Postings for new ALJ spots in the new FY budget have been posted, and applications have been received.
- b. Phyllis McJunkins started in the SPO. Phyllis will take over preparing the minutes for the board meetings.
- c. Five additional positions are approved in the new budget, 1 HR, 1 CFO, 1 ALJ-Springfield, and 2 – 3 ALJ's – Des Plaines.

b. IT Update:

- a. E-filing – Mr. O'Malley and the IT department have been meeting with the e-filing vendor to start the rollout of e-filing. We have a "go-live" date set for August 1st, 2022.
- b. E-filing Rule Making – A team was put together to draft rules requiring appeals to be filed electronically. The requirements will be staggered between types of appeals and counties based on population.
- c. The same vendor will not handle filing fees, and we will work with Illinois Treasure's Office to collect fees. There will not be an issue with DocuSign.

c. Case Load:

- a. Open cases: 83,755
Dockets that need docketed: 163 (0 Downstate, 163 Cook)
Docket numbers assigned for 2021: 7,394 Downstate, 742 Cook
Docket numbers assigned for 2020: 9,180 Downstate, 28,652 Cook
Docket numbers assigned for 2019: 9,625 Downstate, 34,891 Cook
Case Closed in FY2022 – 40,782. An increase of 10,603 over FY2021

d. Future Board Meetings:

- a. The Governor has extended the disaster proclamation regarding COVID. The extension allows PTAB to continue to hold its Board meetings remotely. This may change at the end of June.

- b. Board member schedule for onsite Board member attendance at the respective offices for the year 2022:
 - Springfield – Dana Kinion
 - Des Plaines –
 - o July – July 12th – Jim Bilotta.
 - o August (State Fair) – August 16th – Jim Bilotta.
 - o September – September 13th – Sarah Buckley.
 - o October – October 11th – Kevin Freeman.
 - o November – November 15th (Election Day on the 8th) – Robert Steffen.
 - o December – December 13th – Jim Bilotta.
- c. Mr. O'Malley reported that the next meeting is scheduled for 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 12th, 2022.
- d. Chairman Freeman will substitute for Mrs. Kinion in the Springfield office on August 16th.

Mrs. Kinion moved to approve the Executive Director's Report. Chairman Freeman seconded the motion, and it carried 5-0.

5. Discussion of Motions

- a. William Grant #16-23209-R-1 (Cook - New Trier)

Mr. Bilotta moved to make a motion to vacate the dismissal order and reinstate the appeal. Mr. Steffen seconded the motion, and it carried 5-0.

- b. Covia Corp Utica Plant: #20-07934-I-3 (LaSalle)

Mr. Bilotta moved to make a motion to grant the appellant's request to amend the requested values. Mr. Steffen seconded the motion, and it carried 5-0.

- c. This item was moved up in the Agenda – see above.

- d. James Athanasopoulos: #20-36672-R-1 (Cook – Jefferson)
James Athanasopoulos: #20-36051-R-1 (Cook – Jefferson)
National Home Rentals: #19-50369-R-1 (Cook – Rich)
National Home Rentals: #20-34725-R-1 (Cook – Jefferson)
National Home Rentals: #20-36301-R-1 (Cook – Jefferson)

Chairman Freeman motioned to rescind the decision and grant the request to reinstate and withdraw the above-referenced appeals. Mrs. Kinion seconded the motion, and it carried 5-0.

6. Attachments

- a. **Attachment A** - Mrs. Kinion moved to approve the attachment. Mr. Steffen seconded the motion, and it carried 5-0.
- b. **Attachment B** - Chairman Freeman moved to approve the attachment. Mrs. Kinion seconded the motion, and it carried 5-0.
- c. **Attachment C** - Mr. Steffen moved to approve the attachment. Mrs. Kinion seconded the motion, and it carried 4-0. Chairman Freeman recused himself.
- d. **Attachment D** - Chairman Freeman moved to approve the attachment. Mrs. Kinion seconded the motion, and it carried 4-0. Mr. Bilotta recused himself.
- e. **Attachment E** - Chairman Freeman moved to approve the attachment. Mr. Bilotta seconded the motion, and it carried 4-0. Mr. Steffen recused himself.
- f. **Attachment F** - Mr. Bilotta moved to approve the attachment. Mr. Steffen seconded the motion, and it carried 4-0. Mrs. Kinion recused herself.
- g. **Attachment G** - Chairman Freeman moved to approve the attachment. Mrs. Kinion seconded the motion, and it carried 4-0. Ms. Buckley recused herself.
- h. **Attachment Z** - Mr. Steffen moved to approve the attachment. Chairman Freeman seconded the motion, and it carried 5-0.

7. Other Business

- a. Mr. Bilotta and Chairman Freeman complimented Mr. O'Malley and the staff on closing 40,000+ cases in the fiscal year 2022.

8. Adjournment

- a. Ms. Buckley moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 a.m., and Mr. Bilotta seconded the motion, carrying 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Michael O'Malley

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Executive Director and General Counsel