

2022 VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD
Minutes of the January Monthly VAB Meeting

Thursday, January 12, 2023
9:00 AM, Council Chambers
1st Floor, City Hall (St. James)

Council Member Randy DeFoor, Chair
Council Member Danny Becton
School Board Member Charlotte Joyce
Council Appointed Citizen Member Shirley Dasher
School Board Appointed Citizen Member Dominic Cummings

In Attendance:

Margaret M. “Peggy” Sidman, Value Adjustment Board Clerk
Heather Pelegrin, Assistant Chief of Legislative Services – Value Adjustment Board
Johnathan Griffis, Value Adjustment Board Staff
William H. Jeter, Jr., Value Adjustment Board Attorney
Brooks Dame, Executive Council Assistant, Council Member DeFoor
Merriane Lahmeur – Chief of Legislative Services
Jerry Holland, Property Appraiser
Tiffany Pinkstaff, Counsel to the Property Appraiser
Keith Hicks, Chief Appraiser
Harry Guetherman, Commercial Division Chief, PAO
Jim Ogburn, Residential Division Chief, PAO
Justin Gicalone, Customer Service Division Chief, PAO
Sage Sullivan, Tangible Personal Property Division Chief, PAO

Chairwoman DeFoor called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM

1. Introductions of Board and staff.
2. Chairwoman DeFoor stated the next item on the agenda was to approve the 2022 VAB Organizational Meeting Minutes held August 31, 2022. **Board Member Becton made a motion to Approve the Meeting Minutes from the 2022 VAB Organizational Meeting. The motion was seconded by Board Member Dasher. The Board Approved 5–0.**
3. William Jeter, VAB Attorney, explained the Public Comments procedures.
4. Public Comments section:
 - **VAB # 2022-015090 – Brandon C. Meadows, Attorney on behalf of the Petitioner, Trinity Baptist Church, late file denial.** Mr. Meadows filed the 2022 VAB exemption petition after the statutory filing deadline, and the Board Designee (the VAB Attorney) concluded that he had not demonstrated “Good Cause” for filing the petition late. Mr. Meadows asked the Board to overturn the Board Designee’s denial of the late-filed petition and the Board was provided copies of the late-filed petition and of the Clerk’s Notice of Denial. **Board Member Becton made a motion to accept the late-filed petition for Good Cause as cited in Rule 12D-9.015 (14)(a) of the FL Administrative Code, reasons 3 & 4 and set the petition for hearing. The motion was seconded by Board Member Joyce. The Board Approved 5–0.**
 - **VAB # 2022-015059 – Susan Johnson on behalf of Covenant School of Jacksonville, Inc., late file denial.** Ms. Johnson filed the 2022 VAB exemption petition after the statutory filing deadline, and the Board Designee (the VAB Attorney) concluded that she had not demonstrated “Good Cause” for filing the petition late. Ms. Johnson

asked the Board to overturn the Board Designee's denial of the late-filed petition and the Board was provided copies of the late-filed petition and of the Clerk's Notice of Denial.

Board Member Becton made a motion to accept the late-filed petition for Good Cause as cited in Rule 12D-9.015(14)(a) of the FL Administrative Code, reasons 1 & 4 and set the petition for hearing. The motion was seconded by Board Member Joyce. The Board Approved 5-0.

5. Deferral requests from Petitioners. There were none.
6. Deferral requests from the Property Appraiser's Office. There were none.
7. Consider the recommended decisions listed on the two page excel spreadsheet for the 2022 January 12, 2023 VAB Meeting. **Board Member Becton made a motion to Approve all of the recommended decisions on the excel spreadsheet. The motion was seconded by Board Member Joyce. The Board Approved 5-0.**
8. William Jeter, VAB Attorney, gave an update regarding the licensures of the 2022 Special Magistrates. All Special Magistrate currently active for the 2022 VAB year are up to date with their licenses and copies have been placed in each of the files.

Announce date and location of next 2022 VAB meeting:

Thursday, February 9, 2023 at 9:00 am
1st Floor, City Hall, Council Chambers

Meeting was adjourned at 9:55 AM.