

PROCEEDINGS OF
CITY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

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**BOARD OF TAX EQUALIZATION MEETING, CITY OF PARK RIVER,
NORTH DAKOTA, MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2018, AT 7:00 P.M.**

The Park River City Council met as the Board of Equalization in the City Council Room at 7:00 P.M on Monday, April 10, 2018. Mayor Stenvold called the meeting to order with the following present Council Members M. Lorton, A. Knutson, K. Anderson, City Assessor/Deputy Auditor A. Berg, City Coordinator/Auditor N. Thompson, City Attorney T. Laaveg & Public Works Director D. Larson. By Phone Council Member D. Byron. Absent: Council member K. Halvorson & R. Lundquist. Others present: Sheriff Ron Jurgens, Kerry Schmitz, Tom Shirek, Jay Skorheim, Dennis Kubat, and Ron Beneda.

Schmitz, Shirek and Skorheim questioned their valuations. Berg will schedule an assessment visit to inspect their properties and if decreases are warranted she will prepare and forward the necessary paperwork to the County Tax Director's Office.

Berg stated she continues to work on equalizing lot prices throughout each subdivision but some subdivisions will require increases in 2019 & 2020 to bring them in line within their respective subdivision. Several other properties throughout the community had residential valuation increases to bring them within State guidelines and others due to sales. Assessments need to stay in line with the market because if the sales to assessment ratio, as calculated by the County Tax Director, get too far out of alignment the State will place a blanket increase on the entire community.

Berg reported that 21 building permits for construction contributed \$855,241. to the City's valuation; in addition, 29 properties were bought or sold increasing valuation by \$263,587. No properties were demolished. Berg informed the board that she added four lots that to the tax role which increased lot valuations by \$21,342. She also added two buildings which had no values added to the property which resulted in a valuation increase of \$22,500. Assessment visits and lot equalization also added \$536,567 to the valuation.

Anderson moved and Lorton seconded to accept the City Assessor's report and adjustments for the year 2018. Upon roll call, all voted aye. M/C.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:19 PM.

Dan Stenvold

Mayor

ATTEST:

Nancy Thompson

City Auditor