

2017 Board of Review Meeting for the Town of Russell  
May 31, 2017  
Town of Russell Hall

This recorded meeting was transcribed below.

Meeting called to order at 6 PM on Wednesday, May 31, 2017 by acting Supervisor Daniel Schmahl.

Roll call was taken for those present at the meeting:

- Daniel Schmahl-Supervisor-certified
- Jeremy Cobble-Treasurer and certified
- Jonathan Ausloss-Supervisor-certified
- Colleen Schnell-Town Clerk-not certified
- Les Ariens-Grota Appraisals,LLC

Selection of chairman and vice-chairman for this meeting:

- Jonathan Ausloss nominated Dan Schmahl as acting chairman. Nomination approved.
- Daniel Schmahl nominated Jonathan Ausloos as Vice Chairman. Nomination approved.

It was verified that Town of Russell will follow the Wisconsin Statute of confidentiality of income and expense given to the assessor.

Les Ariens, Grota Appraisals, and Colleen Schnell, Town Clerk, signed the 2017 Statement of Real Estate Assessment. This was then given to the Clerk, Town of Russell.

Jonathan Ausloss-acting Vice Chairman made a motion to adjourn the meeting until an interested party came. Jeremy Cobble seconded. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:16 P.M.

Meeting was reconvened at 7:50 PM

Dan Schmahl reconvened the meeting.

No town members attended the Board of Review to question their assessment.

In the review of the assessment role by the board, it was determined that an error was found on parcel 3350. Since this parcel is owned by Dan Schmahl, Dan excused himself as the Chairman and asked Vice-Chairman Jonathan Ausloss to continue the meeting.

Jonathan Ausloss, agreed to continue to lead the meeting.

Remarks about the parcel 3350 by Les Ariens, Grota Appraisals.

- When the Town Board was reviewing the Town Role, Parcel 3350 was reviewed and additional information was gathered.
- This parcel is owned Dan Schmahl.
- New information was gathered showed that there was an error in the assessment.
- The original 2017 assessment of Parcel 3350 was \$10,900
- With the new information, the error of determined to be classification of land, from Forest to undeveloped.
- The assessment of parcel 3350 should be corrected to \$6400.
- With Dan Schmahl, the owner of Parcel 3350 having excused himself as chairman, I would suggest the remaining board members review and discuss the findings for parcel 3350.

- I would recommend that the Town Board of Review and modify the assessment to correct the error, from \$10,900 to the new assessment \$6400.

Vice Chairman Jonathan Ausloss asked Dan Schmahl to share the information parcel 3350.

- Daniel Schmahl, stated that the property in question was with the Managed Forest land. When the new Managed forest plan took effect, there was a miss classification of land on parcel 3350.
- When the new Managed Forest Plan was entered for the 2017 Assessment. An error was made in the classification on the land. The land was listed as Forest, but should have been listed as undeveloped as the Managed Forest Plan states.
- This will change the assessed value.
- The original 2017 assessment was \$10,900. With the reclassification of the land in the parcel the assessment will be reduced to \$6400.

Vice Chairman-Jonathan Ausloss thanked Mr. Schmahl for his comments and opened the floor for additional discussion.

- Per the Assessor's testimony and the statements made by Mr. Schmahl, Jonathan Ausloos, Vice Chairman, asked for a motion to modify or sustain the assessment for Parcel 3350.
- Jeremy Cobble made the motion to modify the assessment for parcel 3350 from \$10,900 to \$6400. Colleen Schnell seconded the motion.
  - Roll call vote on the motion:
    - Jonathan Ausloos voted yes
    - Jeremy Cobble voted yes
    - Colleen Schnell voted yes.
    - Dan Schmahl excused himself from voting.

Vice Chairman Jonathan Ausloss asked if anyone else had any additional questions or concerns. Direct question was asked of Les Ariens. Do you have any-additional questions or anything additional need to be done for the modification of parcel 3350? Les Ariens responded-"No I have no additional comments and the correct process was carried out".

- A modified assessment for parcel 3350 was given to the Colleen Schnell, Clerk, from Grota Appraisal to be kept with the 2017 assessment role for the Town of Russell.

With no additional business, Jonathan Ausloss, Vice Chairman entertained a motion to adjourn. Jeremy Cobble made a motion to adjourn, Dan Schmahl seconded the motion. Motion carried Meeting adjourned at 8:01 PM

Colleen Schnell  
Clerk, Town of Russell