## **BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS**

## Monday, March 14, 2022

## 6:30 PM

Called to Order: Meeting of BAA called to order at 6:55PM by chairman Marty Wing.

Members present were: Marty Wing, Tim Richmond, & Ann Crane.

Pledge of Allegiance:

## **BAA'S Decisions On Appeals:**

Appellant Michael Brown, 116 Willenbrook Rd., representing SR1 Properties LLC: appealing mailing address, since owner did not receive I & E form for 2020. Was given a 10% penalty & looking to remove penalty since all forms & correct Oxford address was updated.

Board discussed powers of BAA. Can suggest to Assessor some kind of remedy for Michael Brown because BAA felt it was not the fault of the new owner that mailing address was not updated to Oxford address. BAA to meet with Assessor Penny Mudgett on Michael Brown at 2:00PM on Tuesday, March 15, 2022.

<u>Appellant Russell J. Handelman</u>, 12 George Hill Rd., representing Brookhill LLC: appealing validation inconsistent with geographical/topographical conditions; previously classified as forest land.

A motion was made by Ann Crane that the property of 4 acres which is contiguous to property in Southbury, which is classified as forest land, continue to be assessed as forest land because land is wet, steep, & unbuildable. Motion was seconded by Tim Richmond. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Appellant Jeffrey Haney</u>, 575 Chestnut Tree Hill Rd.: appealing 2.5 acres of farmland as pasture land via PA 490.

Since appellant had letters from Agricultural Department that considered property on 575 Chestnut Tree Hill Rd to be farmland, a motion was made by Tim Richmond that the entire parcel of 2.5 acres be granted as pasture land. Motion was seconded by Ann Crane. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Appellant Jeffrey Haney</u>, 579 Chestnut Tree Hill Rd: appealing farm to be classified with 4 acres of wetlands, 3 acres of woodlands, & 4 acres of pasture land under PA 490. Letter from Department of Agriculture agreed with appellant.

A motion was made by Tim Richmond & seconded by Marty Wing to table decision on property of 579 Chestnut Tree Hill Rd until further discussion of information with Assessor Penny Mudgett. Motion passed unanimously.

Appellant Airgas USA LLC, representing Tech Air, various locations: appealing that Tech Air no longer in business; remove value for Tech Air from tax roll.

A motion was made by Tim Richmond & seconded by Ann Crane that appeal be denied because of no show & lack of information. Motion passed unanimously.

Appellant Stephen & Sarah Walsh, 387 Quaker Farms Rd: appealing assessor classified only 5+ acres of 7.5 acre property as farmland & misclassified said property according to PA 490 land values.

A motion was made by Tim Richmond & seconded by Marty Wing to accept appeal of Stephen & Sarah Walsh that 7.5 acres should be classified as farmland. Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment of Meeting: A motion was made by Marty Wing to adjourn & seconded by Tim Richmond. Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lois Caprio, BAA Secretary

