

Birchdale Township
Board of Appeals & Equalization Meeting Minutes
April 19, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

- a) Supervisor Carstens called to order the Board of Appeals & Equalization Meeting at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at the Birchdale Town Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The following were present: Supervisors Jim Carstens, Dale Ahrens, Arnold Berscheid, Larry Bebus and Joe Ostendorf, Treasurer Marlene VanHavermaet. Also in attendance was Amy Ebnet and _____ from Todd County Auditors office.

Amy from Assessors office made some opening remarks:

- Adjusted ratio needs to be 90-100%, currently at 91.4%. Still depreciated at normal schedule
- There have been 15 good seasonal residential sales in Birchdale township this last year. Little Birch and Sauk Lake areas mostly affected
- Tillable increase 100-300 dollars per acre. Avg tillable \$3,135 per acre.
- Big increases in taxes for residents, it is possible rates will go down in November, but unlikely with the increase at the township level
- It was noted that the county has received many, many calls. Overall, people were really good, not really mad, they just are looking for more of an understanding of what's going on.

a. Equalization Meeting

9:15 AM: Brian & Kathy Borgerding, Parcel #03-0032000 – value
NO SHOW

9:30 AM: Darlene Lester etal, Parcel #03-0032600 – value
NO SHOW

9:45 AM: Jeff Zachmann, Parcel #03-0023801 – pole shed's value
NO SHOW

John & Janine Provinzino, Parcel # 03-0061500 - Letter was received and reviewed; they were questioning the 15% increase. Letter attached. County will send a letter back to John since no phone number given. Was valued at \$318,300 now \$364,400 47K increase

Motion made by Supervisor Berscheid and Seconded by Supervisor Ostendorf for no change. Motion carried.

Robert & Theresa Mueller , Parcel #03-0066500 – Assessor recommends an reduction adjustment of -\$2,000

2. **Adjournment** – With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10 a.m.