

ASSESSMENT NOTICE



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the Board of Review-*Equalization of the City of Pelican Rapids in Otter Tail County, Minnesota, will meet at the 315 N BROADWAY PELICAN RAPIDS in said City at, 2-3:00 PM on April 14, 2010 for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the assessment of said City for the year 2010. All persons considering themselves aggrieved by said assessment, or who wish to complain that the property of another is assessed too low, are hereby notified to appear at said meeting, and show cause of having such assessment corrected.

No complaint that another person is assessed too low will be acted upon until the person so assessed, or his agent, shall have been notified of such complaint.

Given under my hand this ___4th___ day of ___March___, 2010.


Clerk of the _____ City of Pelican Rapids

*Applies only in Cities whose charters provide for a Board of Equalization.

CITY OF PELICAN RAPIDS BOARD OF REVIEW -04-14-10

The City Council of Pelican Rapids met for Board of Review from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, 04-14-10, in Council Chambers, City Hall. Mayor Ben Woessner, Council Members Kevin Ballard, John E. Waller, III, Richard Peterson and Steve Foster were present. No one was absent. Administrator Don Solga, Clerk-Treasurer Glenys Ehlert, Otter Tail County Assessor Robert Moe and Deputy Assessor Deb Thormodson were also present.

Board of Review called to order at 2:00 p.m.

Florencio Barragon, parcel number 76000340245003, advised the assessors' office that he removed an old mobile home that was used for storage and said the second house on property will share septic and well with other house. Motion by Peterson, seconded by Ballard to accept the assessor's recommendation for parcel number 76000340245003, removing old mobile home value and adjusting the second site's evaluation down one-third to 67%. Total reduction was \$6800 to \$111,864. Motion passed unanimously.

Jim Christianson requested a reduction in value on parcel number 76000990188000, due to a 2007 sale of similar lot. The assessor's office explained that the difference in value of 10% due to the parcel that sold has no street access at this time. Motion by Waller, seconded by Peterson to make no change in the value on parcel number 76000990188000. Motion passed unanimously.

As a matter of information, the assessor's office responded to an inquiry about the increase in market value of bank property in 2009. They explained that the 2009 estimated market value of bank properties in Otter Tail County went up due to an increase in the Marshall Swift Valuation service rates for banks.

Council Member Steve Foster arrived at 2:35 p.m.

Council Members and Assessor Moe and Deputy Assessor Thormodson discussed two properties, parcel numbers 76000990605000 and 76000990664000. These properties are being used for commercial activities, but property is taxed at the residential rate. Council directed Administrator Don Solga to write letters to the property owners above notifying them that if they continue to permit commercial activities on their property, their tax rate will be changed to commercial. The Assessor's office will wait for Council's determination on the parcels before making any changes.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Waller to adjourn the meeting at 3:00 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Glenys Ehlert, CMC

