

ORANGE COUNTY 2010 VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD (VAB)
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Date: Tuesday, May 25, 2010
Location: County Comptroller's Conference Room, Fourth Floor, 201 South Rosalind Avenue, Orange County Administration Center, Orlando, Florida
Members Present: Commissioners Fred Brummer and Scott Boyd; School Board Member Daryl Flynn, Citizen Members Matthew Boerger, Martin Prague and David Robinson.
Members Absent: School Board Member Vicky Bell
Others Present: VAB Attorney Yvonne Yegge, Assistant Comptroller as Clerk of the VAB Carol Foglesong, Comptroller Deputy Clerk of the VAB Kathleen Johnson, VAB Supervisor Katie Smith and VAB Specialist Christina Santos.

• CALL TO ORDER, 1:00 p.m.

1. Convene as the Orange County VAB for 2010 and call the meeting to order.

• DISCUSSION AGENDA

2. Elect chairman and vice-chairman. Pursuant to F.S. 194.015, the chairman shall be a BCC member.

Citizen Member Boerger nominated Commissioner Brummer as chairman.

No further nominations were made.

Motion/Second: Citizen Member Prague/School Board Member Flynn

Absent: School Board Member Bell

AYE (voice vote): All present members

Action: The Board elected Commissioner Brummer as chairman.

Commissioner Brummer nominated Citizen Member Boerger as vice-chairman.

No further nominations were made.

Motion/Second: Commissioner Boyd/School Board Member Flynn

Absent: School Board Member Bell

AYE (voice vote): All present members

Action: The Board elected Citizen Member Boerger as vice-chairman.

3. Ratify existing contract for Yvonne Yegge as VAB Special Counsel.

Motion/Second: School Board Member Flynn/Commissioner Boyd

Absent: School Board Member Bell

AYE (voice vote): All present members

Action: The Board ratified the existing contract for Yvonne Yegge as VAB Special Counsel.

4. Approve the April 27, 2010, Final Meeting Minutes of the 2009 VAB.

Motion/Second: Citizen Member Prague/Citizen Member Boerger

Absent: School Board Member Bell

AYE (voice vote): All present members

Action: The Board approved the April 27, 2010, Final Meeting Minutes of the 2009 VAB.

5. Determine 2010 filing fees. F.S. 194.013 allows a nonrefundable fee not to exceed \$15 for each separate parcel.

Motion/Second: Commissioner Boyd/Citizen Member Prague

Absent: School Board Member Bell

AYE (voice vote): All present members

Action: The Board approved a nonrefundable filing fee not to exceed \$15 for each separate parcel.

6. Approve the budget of the 2010 VAB tax cycle

Motion/Second: Commissioner Boyd/Citizen Member Boerger

Absent: School Board Member Bell

AYE (voice vote): All present members

Action: The Board approved the budget of the 2010 VAB tax cycle.

7. Approve authorization of expenditures as follows:

- Employment of temporary administrative assistants not to exceed \$20,000 with authorization to pay for background checks and drug testing
- Axia software licensing and support not to exceed \$17,000
- Equipment maintenance fees not to exceed \$1,000
- Office supply purchases not to exceed \$3,400
- Advertising fees not to exceed \$1,500
- Bank charges (for online petitions) not to exceed \$1,500

Ms. Smith presented a report. Ms. Foglesong contributed to the report. Board discussion ensued.

Motion/Second: Citizen Member Prague/Commissioner Boyd

Absent: School Board Member Bell

AYE (voice vote): All present members

Action: The Board authorized employment of temporary administrative assistants not to exceed \$20,000, with authorization to pay for background checks and drug testing; further authorized expenditure not to exceed \$17,000 for Axia software licensing and support; further authorized equipment maintenance fees not to exceed \$1,000; further authorized office supply purchases not to exceed \$3,400; further, authorized advertising fees not to exceed \$1,500; and further authorized expenditure for bank charges (for online petitions) not to exceed \$1,500.

8. Determine Special Magistrate fees.

Motion/Second: Commissioner Boyd/Citizen Member Prague

Absent: School Board Member Bell

AYE (voice vote): All present members

Action: The Board approved special magistrates' compensation at the rate of \$125 per hour.

9. Update regarding Department of Revenue Rules and Uniform Procedures.

Ms. Yegge presented a report.

Action: None

10. Appoint two attorney applicants to serve as special magistrates for exemption/classifications hearings and appoint all remaining applicants as alternates:

Commissioner Brummer nominated Elizabeth Baker Young and Joy Ewertz as the special magistrates with the balance of the applicants being accepted as alternates for use at the discretion of the VAB staff.

No further nominations were made.

Motion/Second: Citizen Member Robinson/Citizen Member Boerger

Absent: School Board Member Bell

AYE (voice vote): All present members

Action: The Board appointed Elizabeth Baker Young and Joy Ewertz to serve as special magistrates and appointed all remaining applicants as alternates for use at the discretion of the VAB staff.

Clerk's Note: Alternate special magistrates for exemption/classification hearings are Jose Cantero, Sherri Johnson and Karen Wonsetler.

11. Appoint two applicants to serve as special magistrates for tangible personal property valuation hearings, and further appoint remaining applicant as alternate.

Commissioner Brummer nominated Curt Cordell and Gerald Hartman as special magistrates with Robert Broome appointed as alternate for use at the discretion of the VAB staff.

No further nominations were made.

Motion/Second: Citizen Member Boerger/Citizen Member Prague

Absent: School Board Member Bell

AYE (voice vote): All present members

Action: The Board appointed Curt Cordell and Gerald Hartman as special magistrates with Robert Broome appointed as alternate for use at the discretion of the VAB staff.

12. Appoint seven applicants to serve as special magistrates for real property valuation hearings and appoint all remaining applicants as alternates:

Commissioner Brummer nominated Edwin Barfield, Stephen King, Richard MacMillan, Kathryn Edmundson, Tom Riddle, John Robinson, and Richard Steeves to serve as special magistrates for real property valuation hearings and appoint all remaining applicants as alternates

No further nominations were made.

Motion/Second: Citizen Member Boerger/Commissioner Boyd

Absent: School Board Member Bell

AYE (voice vote): All present members

Action: The Board appointed Edwin Barfield, Stephen King, Richard MacMillan, Kathryn Edmundson, Tom Riddle, John Robinson, and Richard Steeves to serve as special magistrates for real property valuation hearings and appointed all remaining applicants as alternates

Clerk's Note: Alternate special magistrates for real property valuation hearings are Robert Babcock, Roger Crews, Edgar Fleri, Thomas Jones, Helen Kimberly Pope, Cecil Neff, Camille Smith, Robert Sutte and David Taylor.

13. Accept special magistrate recommendations without further hearings, as provided by F.S. 194.035, for those hearings held from October 2010 until all petitions have been heard.

Board discussion ensued. Ms. Smith, Ms. Yegge and Ms. Foglesong contributed to the discussion.

Motion/Second: Citizen Member Prague/Citizen Member Boerger
AYE (voice vote): All present members
Action: The Board approved acceptance of special magistrate recommendations without further hearings, as provided by F.S. 194.035.

MEETING ADJOURNED, 1:40 p.m.

There being no further business to conduct, VAB Chairman Brummer adjourned the meeting.

ATTEST:

Martha O. Haynie
County Comptroller as Clerk of the VAB

Pauline Brummer
VAB Chairman

Kathleen Johnson
Deputy Clerk of the VAB

Katie Smith
VAB Supervisor