

**THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION HEARING
THURSDAY, JULY 14, 2011
5:00 P.M.
THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
P-12 BUILDING**

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lester Lunceford called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

A. Council Members Present: Jerry Vandergriff, Lester Lunceford, Dan Blair, Mary Brenneman and Becky Cotner

B. Council Members Absent: Shawni Phillips and Shannon Tolman

C. Administration Present; Brenda Krol; City Clerk and Dyanna Barnes; Executive Assistant

Others Present included: Arnie Erickson; Assessor from Appraisal Company of Alaska

3. TURN MEETING OVER TO ASSESSOR – Arnie Erickson

A. Assessor will read the appeal or Appellant to state appeal.

B. Assessor will present a recommendation

C. Board will ask questions

D. Board will make a motion

E. Board will vote

F. Repeat the process for each appeal

Arnie Erickson stated that Council has three appeals before them this evening from the following individuals

Chuck Spinelli
Gary Herring
Kenneth Bystedt

Arnie Erickson reported that all three have to deal with the Whittier Marina Condominium Association and their slips.

Arnie Erickson read aloud the correspondence received from Mr. Chuck Spinelli which included two letters addressed to the City of Whittier, one dated June 29th and the other dated July 5th.

(For written correspondence see original council packet in City Clerk's office).

Vice Mayor Vandergriff stated that after reading the appeal letters that the City of Whittier has received it appears to him that they are problems that the appellants should be bringing up with the condominium association instead of with the City.

Arnie Erickson agreed and said "approximately five years ago after the storm that destroyed some of the slips in the Whittier Marina Condominium Association we did reduce values of some of the slips affected by the storm because I met with Mr. Barnett on a number of occasions and he assured me that they would never be used again".

Arnie Erickson continued "then over time they are in full use and so we recommended putting them back at full value".

Arnie Erickson stated that periodically when he comes to Whittier he photographs the marina condo just to see what vessels are there and what is being used.

Mayor Lunceford asked the Council if they would like to address the appeals separately or together since they are alike.

Arnie Erickson said "all three are the same so our recommendation is to deny all three".

MOTION: Jerry Vandergriff made a motion to stand by the Assessor's appraised values for the properties belonging to Mr. Chuck Spinelli, Mr. Gary Herring and Mr. Kenneth Bystedt.

SECONDED: Becky Cotner seconded the motion.

VOTE: Jerry Vandergriff: Yes, Becky Cotner: Yes, Dan Blair: Yes, Mary Brenneman: Yes, Lester Lunceford: Yes.

Motion passed 5-0.

4. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn at 5:10 pm

M/S Mary Brenneman/Jerry Vandergriff

Motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

Brenda Krol
City Clerk

Lester Lunceford
Mayor