

**CITY OF HANOVER
LOCAL BOARD OF APPEALS AND EQUALIZATION
APRIL 5, 2016 – OFFICIAL MINUTES**

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance Local Board of Appeal and Equalization:

Mayor Chris Kauffman called the 2016 Local Board of Appeal and Equalization of Tuesday, April 5, 2016 to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Kauffman, Councilors John Vajda, Ken Warpula, and Jim Zajicek. Also present were City Administrator Brian Hagen, Accountant/Deputy Clerk Elizabeth Lindrud, Public Works Supervisor Scott Vogel, City Attorney John Edison and City Engineer Justin Messner, Wright County Assessors and Hennepin County Assessors. There were several guests in attendance.

Wright County Assessor's Office read an opening statement explaining the purpose of the meeting. Wright County Assessor's presented to Council the changes in land values. New construction increased 3.64%. Commercial and Industrial increased 1.57%. Apartment values increased 8.43%. They further stated that overall apartment values are increasing throughout Wright County.

The Hennepin County Assessor's Office stated that residential homes off of the river saw a 3.0% increase in values. Residential properties on the river increased 3.3% in value. Townhome values decreased .08% over the last year. Agricultural properties increased .7%. Overall value increase for Hanover in Hennepin County was 2.3%.

At this time the local board opened the floor for comments from the public.

PID #'s 108-500-032200 & 108-500-032100 - Chris and Wendy Leines

Kauffman stated that Chris Leines contacted himself and Hagen on their property assessment. Keith Triplett stated that when he was evaluating the property the Leines parcel was valued at \$8,500/acre and the neighboring property was \$9,500/acre. Triplett stated he wanted to blend the values so he reduced the value of the neighboring property to \$9,000/acre and raised the value of Leines property to \$9,000/acre. Triplett stated he did find that there were areas of waste land on the property and has adjusted the valuation accordingly. Council consensus was to consider a lower valuation given that the land is utilized for farming purposes in its' current state.

MOTION by Kauffman to pass action on the appeal to Wright County, seconded by Vajda. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Adjournment:

MOTION by Kauffman to adjourn at 7:23 pm, seconded by Warpula. **Motion carried unanimously.**

APPROVED:

Chris Kauffman

ATTEST:

Brian Hagen, City Administrator