

**Town Board Meeting  
March 28, 2023**

Supv. Crossen called the meeting of the Alabama Town Board to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call was taken, Councilperson Fisher, LaGrou, Klotzbach, Veazey and Supv. Crossen were present. Also present were Barry Flansberg, Tony Mudrzynski, Bob will, Joyce Jewett, Kris Thompson, Hank Mudrzynski, Max Maerten, Mr. & Mrs. Funke, Lance & Kyle Baker, Greg Voltura, Tom Carlo, Tim Hagen, Jeff Covell.

**Court Clerk**

Two applicants applied for the Court Clerk position. Justices interviewed them and discussed it with the Court Committee. The Justices and Court Committee recommend appointing Kimberly Florian.

MOTION by Councilperson LaGrou, seconded by Councilperson Klotzbach to appoint Kimberly Florian as court clerk. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

**Assessment Public Information Session**

Assessor Flansberg introduced himself and spoke about the re-assessment process and how it involves the State of New York. The Tentative Roll will be filed May 1<sup>st</sup>, final roll filed in July.

He reviewed the handout with the data and where and why there are increases. It's been four years since the last townwide re-assessment was done.

The floor was opened up for comments/questions:

Kyle Baker – how do we access the five comps. for our property?

Lance Baker – questioned the value of the property and what someone is willing to pay versus what it is worth.

Tom Carlo – is my assessment based solely on market or is condition factored in as well. He asked how he can get his assessment lowered if he doesn't agree.

Max Maerten – says it appears to be an electronic assessment, Irene used to do a driveby. Assessor Flansberg has done the driveby for the whole town as well.

Greg Voltura – asked how to tell if the 5 comps. are similar to his property? He has no basement, the comps. do. Disc. held.

Joyce Jewett – feels that COVID hurt us all.

Kris Thompson – says interest rates were the lowest they have been in 20 years, people are willing to pay more for houses.

Lance Baker – if we challenge with 5 properties, what can disqualify them? Assessor Flansberg answered that the comps. have to be recent sales.

Tim Hagen – his house is old, there are no others houses as old. Disc. on age of homes.

Tom Carlo – asked what is going on with STAMP. Supv. Crossen gave brief update.

Assessor Flansberg reminded residents that they need to contact him before April 26<sup>th</sup>. He can send out the comps. for each property.

After no other comments, MOTION by Councilperson LaGrou, seconded by Councilperson Fisher to adjourn meeting at 8:25 p.m. Approved by roll call vote:

C. Fisher – yes C. LaGrou – yes C. Klotzbach – yes C. Veazey – yes Supv. Crossen – yes

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca L. Borkholder, Town Clerk