

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF FOSSTON, POLK COUNTY MINNESOTA
April 29, 2020

The Board of Review of the Council of the City of Fosston, Polk County Minnesota was held in council chambers on Wednesday, April 29, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the assessments of the city.

Vice Mayor Dufault called the meeting to order with the following members present: Bosselman and Hoialmen. Member absent: Offerdahl and Anderson No members of the public were present. Also present was City Administrator Charles Lucken, Assistant City Administrator Cassie Heide, Polk County Deputy Assessor Wes Oian, and Polk County Assessor Mark Landsverk via webex.

Wes Oian, Polk County Deputy Assessor gave an overview of valuations and how the county makes the determinations on market value based on sales. If they fall within 90 to 105% of assessor's figures, then no changes are made. If not, the Polk County Assessor's Office will make the needed changes. On occasions, the Minnesota Department of Revenue may mandate changes in valuations. Tillable acreage in the City had no change. Current market sales in Fosston were used to determine location factors and market areas. Map factor changes were made as follows:

- Fosston city residential was increased from .91 to .93
- Fosston city residential 65+ increased from .98 to 1.00
- Fosston city residential 140+ increased from .98 to .99
- Fosston city residential 200+ increased from .90 to .92
- Fosston city commercial increased from .80 to .83 Prime Com from .78 to .80
- Fosston city apartments increased from .84 to .89

Callbacks and rechecks from prior years were reviewed, field checked and updated where needed.

New construction zoning permits were reviewed and field checks were completed as needed.

Oian reported the land value schedule is unchanged from prior year square foot values and provided a list for the board.

Oian reported that the Fosston Tri Co-op reported to him the demolition of a building due to excess snow in 2019 that was situated on parcel 87.00100.00. Oian recommended to reduce the value of the parcel to land only, eliminating the building value in consideration of the removal of the building.

Motion was made by Bosselman, seconded by Hoialmen to take the recommendation of the county to reduce the parcel value to land only for parcel 87.00100.00. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

There being no further business to come before the board, motion was made by Bosselman seconded by Hoailmen to close the hearing. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Charles Lucken, City Administrator