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Proceedings had before the Honorable Board at a special meeting of said Board, begun and held in person and via Video Conference in the City of Greenville in said County and State, on Thursday, July 13, 2023, held for the transaction of general County Business.

At 7:00 p.m., Chairman, Bernard Myers, opened the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call showing a quorum present as follows: Bernard Myers, Jacob Rayl, Chris Timmermann, and Jeff Rehkemper. Wes Pourchot was absent.

The Board announced one opening for the Bond County Board of Review with Leon Dorsey being recommended for appointment.

Under Public Comment, there were roughly 35 people from the community in attendance both in person and via zoom. Discussion was had expressing their concern and disappointment in the recent assessment letters reflecting drastic increases to the retail values of their homes. This recent assessment included residents from Burgess, Shoal Creek and part of LaGrange by Bond County Lake. They were questioning why such a high raise in assessments, who decided this high increase, and what can be done to lower the assessment. It was shared with the group that there was an error on the assessments they just received which was noticed by the Supervisor of Assessments and that they would soon be receiving a new assessment which would indeed be lower due to a factor that should not have been added. The group also voiced that there needed to be better communication from the County as to why they were receiving such a big increase. Also, they wanted to know why the values of their homes were so high. Treasurer Colleen Camp informed that comparables from recent sales of homes in Bond County were used and these sales have sky rocketed over the last few years. This causes the fair market cash value of surrounding homes to be higher. The Board agreed that there needed to be a public forum with the Supervisor of Assessments so that she could better answer these questions, and the Board also encouraged the public to go to the Assessor's office and speak with her directly about your own personal property.

This meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m. with a motion made by Chris Timmermann second by Jacob Rayl. Roll Call Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

July 14, 2023 (SEAL) Meg A. Sybert, Bond County Clerk