

**WOODLAND**  
**BOARD OF REVIEW MINUTES**  
**Monday, April 14, 2008**  
**7:00 P.M.**

**BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Stark called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Chairperson Jean Stark; Board Members Jim Doak, Michael Jilek, Mark Evenstad and Tom Newberry.

Staff: City Assessor Dan Distel and Clerk Shelley Souers

Guests: County Assessor LuAnn Hagan, Woodland residents, Jim Colville, Chris Larson, Maria Saulsbury, Troon Dowds and Mark Anderson.

**BOARD OF APPEALS & EQUALIZATION**

Chairperson Stark welcomed the guests, and introduced City Assessor Dan Distel and County Assessor LuAnn Hagan.

Assessor Dan Distel stated that the Board of Equalization is the forum for property owners to appeal their property valuations. Dan Distel reported that 2007 year was a challenging year for all cities due to market changes and a continuing decline in sales values. In the Lake Minnetonka area non-lakeshore property values for 2008 went down about 1% on average and lakeshore properties were reduced 2%. Dan Distel highlighted several property changes over the last 20 years. The limited market value system is being phased out. The taxable market value increase some residents may have had was due to the limited valuation formula.

Chair Stark opened the hearing for comments on market values. There being no one present to appeal their valuations, the hearing was closed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*The Board of Appeals moved to adjourn the Appeals and Equalization Hearing by consent at 7:10P.M. Motion carried 5-0.*

**ATTEST:**

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Shelley J. Souers, City Clerk

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Jean M. Stark, Board Chair