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Revaluation Schedules, Standard and Rules Presented, Tax Office Asks Residents to Report Storm Damage

FAYETTEVILLE – Cumberland County Tax Administrator Joe Utley presented the Schedules, Standards and Rules to be used in the 2017 revaluation of real property to the Board of Commissioners this morning

A copy of the manual, generally referred to as the Schedule of Values, is available online at co.cumberland.nc.us/tax/revaluation.aspx and in the Tax Administrator's office, Room 570, in the Courthouse at 117 Dick Street.

The Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing on the proposed Schedules, Standards and Rules, which outline the revaluation processes and formulas, on Nov. 21 at 6:45 p.m. in Room 118 of the Courthouse.

Revaluation notices are scheduled to be mailed on Jan. 20, 2017. Property owners will have 30 days to informally appeal to the tax office. The formal appeals process to the Board of Equalization and Review will begin on Feb. 20 and continue for approximately 3 months.

Storm Damage

The 2017 Notice of Value may not reflect adjustments for properties that suffered loss or damage as a result of the Hurricane Matthew. The County was too far along in the almost two-year revaluation process to adjust the timeline because of the storm.

Property loss and damage as a result of Hurricane Matthew will be taken into account during the appeal period, and a second notice will be mailed to owners that will reflect property damage not repaired by Jan. 1.

Tax Administration is reaching out to property owners and preparing to review damaged property for reappraisal in January. If property is not fully repaired by Jan. 1, property owners should contact the Tax Office at 910-678-7507 to report losses.

Because damage caused by the hurricane occurred after Jan. 1, 2016, no adjustment can be made to 2016 real property tax bills, per N.C. General Statute. Residents who are experiencing difficulties paying their taxes are advised to contact Tax Administration to set up extended payment arrangements for their tax bills.

For more information, go to co.cumberland.nc.us/tax.aspx or call 910-678-7507. The Tax Administration office is located in Room 530 of the Cumberland County Courthouse, 117 Dick St., Fayetteville.