## Shamrock Township Board of Appeal & Equalization Monday, May 16, 2011

Board Chairperson Nancy Karjalahti called the meeting to order at 9 a.m. Township board members present were Supervisors Ron Smith and Charles Quale and Clerk Candace Bartel. Representatives from the Aitkin County Assessor's Office were Mike Dangers, Stacy Westerlund, Lori Tibbetts, Jim Hicks and Darcy Moore. County Assessor Mike Dangers gave an overview of property value changes. This was a reappraisal year for Shamrock Township; new property values were listed on the valuation notices that were recently sent out. Shamrock Township had 15 good property sales with buildings last year. These sales were from October 2009 to September 2010 and do not include foreclosures, short sales and relative sales. Photographs and information on these sales was available for review. It was noted that acreages have been moved to a different valuation schedule per state guidelines. The assessor's office staff answered general questions from property owners.

Five property owners presented their concerns to the board. Each concern was reviewed by a board supervisor and a representative from the assessor's office. Two letters were also received. The supervisors and the representatives from the assessor's office reviewed each concern and decisions were made on recommended changes. One property was viewed. The board approved changes to several property valuations. The report from the assessor's office will be attached to these minutes when it is received.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Candace Bartel Shamrock Township Clerk Nancy Karjalahti Shamrock Township Board Chairperson

## MINUTES WERE APPROVED AT THE JUNE 14, 2011 REGULAR BOARD MEETING.