



## Finance Department

**DATE:** June 11, 2024

**FROM:** Dmitriy Chernyak, Finance Director

**ITEM:** Applications for Abatement

**REQUEST:**

Applications for Abatement.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Applications for Abatement for 2022 & 2023

Property Owner - Jesse Baker

Property Address - 1616 Richmond Dr

Property ID - 0596-019-075

Application for Abatement for 2023

Property Owner - Steven & Deborah Van Berkom

Property Address - 3011 Chisholm Trl

Property ID - 1317-003-010

Applications for Abatement for 2022 & 2023

Property Owner - Michelle Welder

Property Address - 308 Toronto Dr

Property ID - 1043-001-030

The property owners have met the requirements set forth in NDCC 57-02-08 to apply for the disabled veteran credit; market value reductions due to an error in the property description.

**RECOMMENDED CITY COMMISSION ACTION:**

The Assessing Division recommends approval of the applications for abatement as presented.

**STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Allison Jensen, City Assessor, 701-355-1621, [ajensen@bismarcknd.gov](mailto:ajensen@bismarcknd.gov)

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Abatements





**Recommendation of the Governing Body of the City or Township**

Recommendation of the governing board of \_\_\_\_\_

On \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, the governing board of this municipality, after examination of this application and the facts, passed a resolution recommending to the Board of County Commissioners that the application be \_\_\_\_\_

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Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
 City Auditor or Township Clerk

**Action by the Board of County Commissioners**

Application was \_\_\_\_\_ by action of \_\_\_\_\_ County Board of Commissioners.  
 Approved/Rejected

Based upon an examination of the facts and the provisions of North Dakota Century Code § 57-23-04, we approve this application. The taxable valuation is reduced from \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and the taxes are reduced accordingly. The taxes, if paid, will be refunded to the extent of \$ \_\_\_\_\_. The Board accepts \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in full settlement of taxes for the tax year \_\_\_\_\_.

We reject this application in whole or in part for the following reason(s). Written explanation of the rationale for the decision must be attached.

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Dated \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ County Auditor \_\_\_\_\_ Chairperson

**Certification of County Auditor**

I certify that the Board of County Commissioners took the action stated above and the records of my office and the office of the County Treasurer show the following facts as to the assessment and the payment of taxes on the property described in this application.

Year	Taxable Value	Tax	Date Paid (if paid)	Payment Made Under Written Protest? yes/no

I further certify that the taxable valuation and the taxes ordered abated or refunded by the Board of County Commissioner are as follows:

Year	Reduction in Taxable Valuation	Reduction in Taxes

\_\_\_\_\_ County Auditor \_\_\_\_\_ Date

**Application For Abatement  
Or Refund Of Taxes**

Name of Applicant Esse Baker

County Auditor's File No. 24-615

Date Application Was Filed With The County Auditor 5/22/24

Date County Auditor Mailed Application to Township Clerk or City Auditor \_\_\_\_\_  
(must be within five business days of filing date)

Mark Spenkowicz  
MS

  
**Application For Abatement Or Refund Of Taxes**  
 North Dakota Century Code § 57-23-04

File with the County Auditor on or before November 1 of the year following the year in which the tax becomes delinquent.

State of North Dakota Assessment District #1  
 County of BURLEIGH Property I.D. No. 0596-019-075  
 Name BAKER, JESSE L. Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address 1616 RICHMOND DR, BISMARCK, ND 58504-7153

**Legal description of the property involved in this application:**

MEADOW VALLEY 4TH  
 Block: 19  
 LOT 16

Total true and full value of the property described above for the year 2023 is:

Land \$ 52,000  
 Improvements \$ 197,500  
 Total \$ 249,500  
 (1)

Total true and full value of the property described above for the year 2023 should be:

Land \$ 52,000  
 Improvements \$ 197,500  
 Total Adj \$ 195,500  
 (2)

The difference of \$ 54,000 true and full value between (1) and (2) above is due to the following reason(s):

- 1. Agricultural property true and full value exceeds its agricultural value defined in N.D.C.C. § 57-02-27.2
- 2. Residential or commercial property's true and full value exceeds the market value
- 3. Error in property description, entering the description, or extending the tax
- 4. Nonexisting improvement assessed
- 5. Complainant or property is exempt from taxation. Attach a copy of Application for Property Tax Exemption.
- 6. Duplicate assessment
- 7. Property improvement was destroyed or damaged by fire, flood, tornado, or other natural disaster (see N.D.C.C. § 57-23-04(1)(g))
- 8. Error in noting payment of taxes, taxes erroneously paid
- 9. Property qualifies for Homestead Credit (N.D.C.C. § 57-02-08.1) or **Disabled Veterans Credit** (N.D.C.C. § 57-02-08.8). Attach a copy of the application.
- 10. Other (explain) (60%) (1/2 inter.)

The following facts relate to the market value of the residential or commercial property described above. For agricultural property, go directly to question #5.

1. Purchase price of property: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date of purchase: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Terms: Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Contract \_\_\_\_\_ Trade \_\_\_\_\_ Other (explain) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Was there personal property involved in the purchase price? \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated value: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 yes/no

2. Has the property been offered for sale on the open market? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, how long? \_\_\_\_\_  
 yes/no  
 Asking price: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Terms of sale: \_\_\_\_\_

3. The property was independently appraised: \_\_\_\_\_ Purpose of appraisal: \_\_\_\_\_  
 yes/no  
 Market value estimate: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Appraisal was made by whom? \_\_\_\_\_

4. The applicant's estimate of market value of the property involved in this application is \$ \_\_\_\_\_

5. The estimated agricultural productive value of this property is excessive because of the following condition(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant asks that the application be approved as presented.

By filing this application, I consent to an inspection of the above-described property by an authorized assessment official for the purpose of making an appraisal of the property. I understand the official will give me reasonable notification of the inspection. See N.D.C.C. § 57-23-05.1.

I declare under the penalties of N.D.C.C. § 12.1-11-02, which provides for a Class A misdemeanor for making a false statement in a governmental matter, that this application is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, a true and correct application.

Signature of Preparer (if other than applicant) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Applicant Jesse L Baker Date 5-21-24

**Recommendation of the Governing Body of the City or Township**

Recommendation of the governing board of \_\_\_\_\_

On \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, the governing board of this municipality, after examination of this application and the facts, passed a resolution recommending to the Board of County Commissioners that the application be \_\_\_\_\_

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Auditor or Township Clerk

**Action by the Board of County Commissioners**

Application was \_\_\_\_\_ by action of \_\_\_\_\_ County Board of Commissioners.  
Approved/Rejected

Based upon an examination of the facts and the provisions of North Dakota Century Code § 57-23-04, we approve this application. The taxable valuation is reduced from \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and the taxes are reduced accordingly. The taxes, if paid, will be refunded to the extent of \$ \_\_\_\_\_. The Board accepts \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in full settlement of taxes for the tax year \_\_\_\_\_.

We reject this application in whole or in part for the following reason(s). Written explanation of the rationale for the decision must be attached. \_\_\_\_\_

Dated \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
County Auditor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson

**Certification of County Auditor**

I certify that the Board of County Commissioners took the action stated above and the records of my office and the office of the County Treasurer show the following facts as to the assessment and the payment of taxes on the property described in this application.

Year	Taxable Value	Tax	Date Paid (if paid)	Payment Made Under Written Protest? yes/no

I further certify that the taxable valuation and the taxes ordered abated or refunded by the Board of County Commissioner are as follows:

Year	Reduction in Taxable Valuation	Reduction in Taxes

\_\_\_\_\_  
County Auditor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Application For Abatement  
Or Refund Of Taxes**

Name of Applicant

*Jesse Baker*

County Auditor's File No.

*24-616*

Date Application Was Filed With The County Auditor

*5/22/24*

Date County Auditor Mailed Application to Township Clerk or City Auditor

(must be within five business days of filing date)

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Recommendation of the governing board of \_\_\_\_\_

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Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
 City Auditor or Township Clerk

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Dated \_\_\_\_\_

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 County Auditor Chairperson

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\_\_\_\_\_  
 County Auditor Date

**Application For Abatement  
 Or Refund Of Taxes**

Name of Applicant *Steven & Deborah Van Berckom*

*24-621*

County Auditor's File No.

*5/29/24*

Date Application Was Filed With The County Auditor

Date County Auditor Mailed Application to Township Clerk or City Auditor

(must be within five business days of filing date)

*Mark Spornsbek's*

*MP*

# Application For Abatement Or Refund Of Taxes

North Dakota Century Code § 57-23-04

File with the County Auditor on or before November 1 of the year following the year in which the tax becomes delinquent.

State of North Dakota Assessment District #1  
County of Burleigh Property I.D. No. 1043-001-030  
Name WELDER, MICHELLE R Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Address 308 TORONTO DR, BISMARCK, ND 58503-0274

Legal description of the property involved in this application:

HIGH MEADOWS Block: 1 LOT 7

Total true and full value of the property described above for the year 2022 is:

Land \$ 74,000  
Improvements \$ 297,800  
Total \$ 371,800  
(1)

Total true and full value of the property described above for the year 2022 should be:

Land \$ 74,000  
Improvements \$ 253,800  
Total \$ 327,800  
(2)

The difference of \$ 44,000.00 true and full value between (1) and (2) above is due to the following reason(s):

- 1. Agricultural property true and full value exceeds its agricultural value defined in N.D.C.C. § 57-02-27.2
- 2. Residential or commercial property's true and full value exceeds the market value
- 3. Error in property description, entering the description, or extending the tax
- 4. Nonexisting improvement assessed
- 5. Complainant or property is exempt from taxation. Attach a copy of Application for Property Tax Exemption.
- 6. Duplicate assessment
- 7. Property improvement was destroyed or damaged by fire, flood, tornado, or other natural disaster (see N.D.C.C. § 57-23-04(1)(g))
- 8. Error in noting payment of taxes, taxes erroneously paid
- 9. Property qualifies for Homestead Credit (N.D.C.C. § 57-02-08.1) or Disabled Veterans Credit (N.D.C.C. § 57-02-08.8). Attach a copy of the application.
- 10. Other (explain) \_\_\_\_\_

The following facts relate to the market value of the residential or commercial property described above. For agricultural property, go directly to question #5.

1. Purchase price of property: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date of purchase: \_\_\_\_\_  
Terms: Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Contract \_\_\_\_\_ Trade \_\_\_\_\_ Other (explain) \_\_\_\_\_  
Was there personal property involved in the purchase price? \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated value: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
yes/no
2. Has the property been offered for sale on the open market? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, how long? \_\_\_\_\_  
yes/no  
Asking price: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Terms of sale: \_\_\_\_\_
3. The property was independently appraised: \_\_\_\_\_ Purpose of appraisal: \_\_\_\_\_  
yes/no  
Market value estimate: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Appraisal was made by whom? \_\_\_\_\_
4. The applicant's estimate of market value of the property involved in this application is \$ \_\_\_\_\_
5. The estimated agricultural productive value of this property is excessive because of the following condition(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant asks that Value be reduced from \$371,800 to \$327,800

By filing this application, I consent to an inspection of the above-described property by an authorized assessment official for the purpose of making an appraisal of the property. I understand the official will give me reasonable notification of the inspection. See N.D.C.C. § 57-23-05.1.

I declare under the penalties of N.D.C.C. § 12.1-11-02, which provides for a Class A misdemeanor for making a false statement in a governmental matter, that this application is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, a true and correct application.

Signature of Preparer (if other than applicant)

Date

Signature of Applicant

Date

Michelle R. Welder 5-29-24

**Recommendation of the Governing Body of the City or Township**

Recommendation of the governing board of \_\_\_\_\_

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Dated \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

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 County Auditor Date

**Application For Abatement  
 Or Refund Of Taxes**

Name of Applicant

*Michelle Walden*

County Auditor's File No.

*24-625*

Date Application Was Filed With The County Auditor

*5/31/24*

Date County Auditor Mailed Application to Township Clerk or City Auditor

(must be within five business days of filing date)

*Mark Solanstarba*  
*MP*

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Improvements \$ 325,900  
Total \$ 399,900  
(1)

Total true and full value of the property described above for the year 2023 should be:  
Land \$ 74,000  
Improvements \$ 281,900  
Total \$ 355,900  
(2)

The difference of \$ 44,000.00 true and full value between (1) and (2) above is due to the following reason(s):

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5. The estimated agricultural productive value of this property is excessive because of the following condition(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant asks that Value be reduced from \$399,900 to \$355,900.

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Signature of Preparer (if other than applicant) \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Applicant Michelle R. Welder

Date 5-29-24

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Recommendation of the governing board of \_\_\_\_\_

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 \_\_\_\_\_  
 County Auditor Chairperson

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\_\_\_\_\_  
 County Auditor Date

**Application For Abatement  
 Or Refund Of Taxes**

Name of Applicant: Michelle Walder  
 County Auditor's File No.: 24-626  
 Date Application Was Filed With The County Auditor: 5/31/24  
 Date County Auditor Mailed Application to Township Clerk or City Auditor: \_\_\_\_\_  
(must be within five business days of filing date)  
Mark Solarski  
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