

2021 General Reassessment

Reassessment notices for the 2021 General Reassessment were mailed February 3, 2021. If you did not receive a notice, please call (540) 942-6722 to request a duplicate. If you received a notice for a property that has been sold, please forward the notice to the new owner or back to the Assessment Office.

Your Right to Appeal

As a taxpayer, you have the right to appeal your property tax assessment. There are three levels of appeal: Administrative, Board of Equalization, and Circuit Court. In order to appeal to Circuit Court, you must first have appealed to the Board of Equalization. In each level, the burden of proof is on the individual appealing the assessment to show that the property in question is valued at more than its fair market value, that the assessment is not uniform in its application, or that the assessment is otherwise not equalized.

Administrative Appeals

Administrative appeals are now complete. Notices regarding appeal results were mailed March 12, 2021 for every parcel that was appealed on an administrative level. If you appealed a property but did not receive a notice, please contact the Assessor's office to request a duplicate.

Board of Equalization

Applications to appeal to the Board of Equalization must be filed in the Real Estate Assessment Office no later than April 12, 2021. Applications are available on the City website or in the Real Estate Assessment Office.

Public Hearing Regarding 2021 Real Estate Tax Rate

The tax rate that applies to this reassessment is set annually by City Council as part of the budget process. The public hearings regarding the 2021 real estate tax rate will be **Monday, April 12, 2021 and Monday, April 26, 2021 at 7:00pm**, at the Yancey Municipal Building located at 503 West Main Street, Waynesboro.

Information About Reassessment and Notice of Rights

State law requires all real property be assessed at 100% fair market value (Virginia Code §58.1-3201). The last general reassessment in the City of Waynesboro was effective January 1, 2019. The current reassessment reflects the present market value of your property. Every effort has been made to assess your property on a fair and equitable basis.

All property appraisal cards, except those containing information made confidential by §58.1-3, are available for your review after the change of assessment notice is mailed. You have a right to view and make copies of records maintained by our office pursuant to §58.1-3331 and §58.1-3332. The City Assessor's Office is open Monday – Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

