

October 12, 2016

A regular meeting of the Bergen County Board of Taxation was held on Wednesday, October 12, 2016, at ONE Bergen County Plaza, Freeholders Meeting Room, 5th Floor, Hackensack, NJ. The meeting was called to order by President Calabrese at 9:35 A.M. and compliance with the Sunshine Law was indicated. The roll call was taken:

Present: President Calabrese, Commissioners Schuster, Eilert, O'Connor and O'Shea and Administrator Layton.

Commissioner Eilert made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2016 meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner O'Shea and approved. Commissioner O'Connor abstained.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

1. Revaluations/Reassessments

2017: Carlstadt – The Board and the State have approved the reassessment. Inspections are being done and should be finished by the end of the month.

Hackensack – In year two of the rolling reassessment where 25% of properties are being reviewed.

Hasbrouck Heights – In year one of the rolling reassessment and are just about done.

Little Ferry – In year 3 of the rolling reassessment. Only partial inspections are being done.

Moonachie – In year two of the rolling reassessment. Partial inspections are being done.

North Arlington – Year one of the rolling reassessment and they will canvas the entire town with inspections. The Board does not have a report from the tax assessor. Administrator Layton will have him appear at the next

meeting.

Oradell – Administrator Layton advised the assessor that the report must be on the proper form. This is year one of the rolling reassessment and they will be doing the entire town.

Rutherford – Ken Porro informed the Board that Rutherford does not like doing rolling reassessments so they are doing a revaluation. The market is doing well. Mr. Porro is requesting a one year extension. A motion was made by Commissioner O'Connor seconded by Commissioner O'Shea to grant the extension.

Saddle Brook – In year one of the rolling reassessment. They will be reviewing the entire town.

South Hackensack – In the 4th year of the rolling reassessment. Only partial assessments being done.

Westwood – On schedule. All residential have been inspected. They are analyzing sales at this time.

Woodcliff Lake – In the third year of the rolling reassessment. They are doing partial inspections.

Wood Ridge – The revaluation was ordered by the Board. All residential and commercial inspections are done. They are ahead of schedule.

2. SR-1A Report – Up to date.
3. 2016 Abstract of Ratables – Administrator Layton presented the Abstract to the Board. A motion was made by Commissioner Eilert and seconded by Commissioner O'Shea to approve the Abstract of Ratables.
4. Reassessment application Borough of Teterboro – A mistake was made and a formal application for a rolling reassessment was never submitted. They are currently in the fifth year of the rolling

reassessment. A motion was made by Commissioner Eilert, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor to approve the reassessment with reservations.

5. Policies for supervision of tax assessors – Administrator Layton submitted a list of proposed policies for the supervision of municipal assessors. This will be to just formalize the procedure. We will take time to digest this and review at next months meeting. Mike Barker asked who will be responsible for enforcing and supervising these policies which would be the Board.
6. NJACTB Conference – Administrator Layton stated that he was disappointed by the attendance by the assessors since the Board was paying for the hotel and registration.

Contact information and tax maps have not been received from many districts.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

The next Board meeting will be on November 9, 2016.

President Calabrese opened the meeting to the public at 10:14 AM.

Angela Mattiace addressed the Board regarding modifications being made by DCA for the uniform construction code for minor work. The DCA is trying to eliminate the need for building permits for such minor works. There is a safety concern here. Administrator Layton will bring this up at the next meeting in Trenton next week.

There being no further business before the Board Commissioner Calabrese closed the meeting at 10:17 AM as motioned by Commissioner Eilert and seconded by Commissioner O'Shea.



Robert F. Layton, Tax Administrator

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