

February 5, 2020

A regular meeting of the Bergen County Board of Taxation was held on Wednesday, February 5, 2020, at TWO Bergen County Plaza, Tax Board Hearing Room A, Hackensack, NJ. The meeting was called to order by President Calabrese at 9:30 A.M. and compliance with the Sunshine Law was indicated. The roll call was taken:

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

The minutes of the January 8, 2020 meeting were approved on a motion by Commissioner O'Connor and seconded by Commissioner Nall.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

1. Revaluations/Reassessments

2020 – Carlstadt – Values to be approved by the assessor.

Closter – Formal hearings are in progress

Cresskill – Preliminary values to be approved by the assessor.

East Rutherford – Everything is done except the American Dream project.

The assessor is requesting an extension until March. Realty Appraisal is being replaced by Appraisal Systems. Realty will still defend the appeals.

Fairview – Preliminary values to be approved by the assessor.

Hackensack – Preliminary values to be approved by the assessor.

Hasbrouck Heights – Informal hearings are in progress.

Little Ferry – Formal hearings are complete.

Moonachie – Formal hearings are in progress.

North Arlington – Formal hearings are in progress.

Oradell – Preliminary values to be approved by the assessor.

Palisades Park – Preliminary values are under way.

Paramus – Chapter 91's are being analyzed.

Ridgefield Park – Preliminary values to be approved by the assessor.

Saddle Brook – Preliminary values to be approved by the assessor,

South Hackensack – Formal hearings are in progress.

Teterboro – Complete.

Westwood – Formal hearings are in progress.

Woodcliff Lake – Valuation letters are to be mailed out next week.

2021 Edgewater – Ready to go. Just waiting for the finalization of the contract. A meeting with the Mayor and Council is to be held.

2022 Lyndhurst – Two bids were received for the revaluation and two bids for the maps. A meeting will be held with the tax attorney.

1. SR1A Report – Administrator Layton advised that the County Clerk has a new vendor and they are having problems with the program. SR1A's have not been processed since December. Please get outstanding SR1A's done.
2. Resolution 20-01 – all 70 districts have been listed. A motion was made by Commissioner Schuster and seconded by Commissioner Nall to approve Resolution 20-01.
3. Revaluation Orders: Bogota and New Milford - Patrick Wilkins addressed the Board for Bogota. Would like the order be made for completion for 2022. New council members have just come on and maps need to be updated. There is a new engineer in town as well. Also there are no state tax appeals. The ratio is 80%. A motion was

made by Commissioner Schuster, seconded by Commissioner O'Shea to grant the dates requested. Commissioner Eilert recused. Assessor Wilkins also makes the same request for New Milford which was also approved. Commissioner O'Connor recused on New Milford.

4. Revaluation orders were approved by the Director for Maywood, Oakland, Ridgefield, River Edge, Rochelle Park and Wallington. Letters will be sent out to the municipal clerks advising that the Director has approved the orders.
5. A Commissioners Conference will be held March 18th and the information will be passed on to the Board when it is received.

Administrator Layton asked the assessors to turn in their old PC's to us and pick up the new tablets.

Angela Mattiace was congratulated on her election as President of the AMANJ. She then requested extensions to complete reassessments for South Hackensack and Closter to March 5th which were approved.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

The next meeting is March 4, 2020.

The meeting was opened to the public at 9:55 AM.

There being no further business before the Board, President Calabrese closed the meeting at 9:57 AM as motioned by Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner O'Shea and approved.

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Robert F. Layton, Tax Administrator