

December 5, 2018

A regular meeting of the Bergen County Board of Taxation was held on Wednesday, December 5, 2018, at TWO Bergen County Plaza, Tax Board Hearing Room A, Hackensack, NJ. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Schuster at 9:30 A.M. and compliance with the Sunshine Law was indicated. The roll call was taken:

Present: Commissioners Schuster, Eilert, Nall, O'Connor, O'Shea and Administrator Layton. Commissioner Eilert made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2018 Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Nall and approved.

A moment of silence was observed for the passing of former President Bush.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

**1. Revaluations/Reassessments**

2019 – Carlstadt – Residential values established. Commercial values are being prepared.

Closter – Residential values are being computed. Chapter 91 data is being analyzed.

Cresskill – residential values are being computed.

East Rutherford – On schedule. He is dealing with a situation of some significant tax appeals.

Fairview – No report. Tax maps are being updated. Requesting 1 year extension to complete to 2020 which was approved.

Hackensack – They are doing a rolling reassessment and it is on schedule.

Hasbrouck Heights – Residential values have been put on. Letters to go out to taxpayers.

Little Ferry – Letters to go out to taxpayers.

Moonachie – Residential and commercial values prepared. Everything going well.

North Arlington – Everything going well.

Oradell – Rolling reassessment is going well.

Saddle Brook – On schedule.

South Hackensack – Values have been established.

Teterboro – Reassessment is complete.

Westwood – Reassessment is complete. Letters have been mailed.

Woodcliff Lake – Residential values established.

2020 Edgewater – They are requesting a change to a reassessment and an extension to 2021. A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Eilert and seconded by Commissioner Nall to approve. Commissioner O'Connor recused himself on the vote.

Lyndhurst – No report. The attorney will attend the January Board Meeting.

Palisades Park – A little progress has been made.

Due to numerous towns requesting extensions to file the 2019 tax lists, Commissioner Eilert made a motion to grant a county wide extension to January 11, 2019 to file the tax lists. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Nall and approved.

- 2.** SR-1A Report – Up to date.
- 3.** Revaluation orders: Commissioner Eilert made a motion to monitor these towns for another 6 months unless a town requests going forward. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Nall and approved.

Ridgefield Park has been ordered to undertake a district wide revaluation for the year 2020. A motion was made by Commissioner Eilert to approve a revaluation order seconded by Commissioner Nall and approved.

Garfield – Would be OK with the revaluation order for 2021 but not 2020. The towns will be notified of the possible revaluation orders.

Councilman Rachelski of Wallington was here earlier and advised that Wallington will be updating their maps this year anyway. Commissioner O'Shea objected to Commissioner Eilert allowing Councilman Rachelski to leave before the meeting started. He should have been at the meeting to air his views.

4. Resolution 18-07 – Assessor Corrections on 2018 added/omitted appeals submitted to the Board. A motion was made by Commissioner Nall and seconded by Commissioner Eilert to approve said assessor corrections.
5. The 2018 Added/Omitted appeal hearings will be held on Wednesday, December 19, 2018 at 9:30 AM.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None

The meeting was opened to the public at 9:57 AM as motioned by Commissioner O'Shea, seconded by Commissioner Eilert.

Patrick Wilkins advised that there are 2 Senate bills being introduced regarding county assessing. He also advised that the annual holiday party is being held right after the added/omitted hearings at Solari's. He also advised that Angela Mattiace has been elected president elect of the AMANJ.

The next meeting is Wednesday, January 9, 2019.

There being no further business before the Board, Commissioner Schuster closed the meeting at 10:00 AM as motioned by Commissioner Eilert, seconded by Commissioner Nall and approved.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robert F. Layton", is written over a horizontal line.

Robert F. Layton, Tax Administrator

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