ESSEX COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, June 6, 2019

THIS MEETING IS CALLED PURSUANT TO THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT, ADEQUATE NOTICE OF WHICH HAS BEEN PROVIDED TO THE NEWARK STAR LEDGER, A LOCAL NEWSPAPER AND SUCH NOTICE HAVING BEEN POSTED IN THE ESSEX COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION.

- 1. ROLL CALL
- **2.** Approval of May 2019 Board Minutes
- 3. Status of Deeds
- **4.** Status of Appeals
- **5.** Status of Revaluations 2020 Bloomfield, Fairfield & Livingston, 2021 Nutley & Roseland
- **6.** Update of Revaluations 2021 North Caldwell, 2022 East Orange, 2023 Newark, 2024 Irvington & Orange
- 7. Motion to approve judgments rendered in May including and up to June 6th (Including TCP, Stips & withdrawals)
- **8.** *Chapter 123*
- **9.** New Business
- **10.** Public Speakers
- 11. Adjournment

<u>COMMISSIONERS</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
O'BRIEN, PRESIDENT	X	
DEFURIA	X	
GRODMAN	X	
JOHNSON	X	
LINARES	X	(arrived 9:23 am)
<i>MATARAZZO</i>	X	
ADMIN. DURKIN	X	

^{**}Agenda can be amended at any time prior to meeting*

A meeting of the Essex County Board of Taxation was held on Thursday, June 6, 2019 at 9:18 AM at its office located at 50 South Clinton Street, East Orange, New Jersey.

1. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call, the following members were present: President O'Brien, Commissioners DeFuria, Grodman, Johnson, Matarazzo, and Tax Administrator Durkin.

Commissioner Linares arrived at 9:23 AM.

2. APPROVAL OF MAY 2019 BOARD MINUTES

A motion to approve the May 2019 Board Minutes was made by Commissioner Grodman, Seconded by Commissioner Matarazzo, all in favor motion passed.

3 STATUS OF DEEDS

Kenya Kourkoulis stated that as of 4/30/19, 494 have been keyed into the system and there is a backlog due to the appeal season. After an inquiry by Commissioner Johnson about the process, a discussion followed on the process of entering deeds into the Vital System by both the County and the Assessor's Offices.

4. STATUS OF APPEALS

Kenya Kourkoulis stated all hearings have been scheduled for June; however, clean up calendars must be scheduled for July.

5. STATUS OF REVALUATIONS 2020 BLOOMFIELD, FAIRFIELD & LIVINGSTON, 2021 NUTLEY & ROSELAND

Joseph Pisauro Bloomfield Assessor reported that the revaluation is on target with 7 inspectors in the field and Chapter 91's mailed to commercial properties.

Fairfield submitted a written report stating inspections are in progress. Administrator Durkin reported that the State is sending representatives to meet with Bloomfield, Livingston and Fairfield after the October 1st meeting to discuss the revaluations in progress.

- Livingston Tax Assessor Lidia Dumytsch reported that the ASI is currently doing callbacks on those properties that did not get inspected. She represented that the revaluation is on schedule.
- Nutley Tax Assessor Edmund Brown reported that they have sent the contract to ASI for signatures. Tax Administrator Durkin asked that a copy of the contract be sent to the Tax Board for their review and comments. She explained that Nutley should forward the contract to Trenton and the County simultaneously.
- Roseland Tax Assessor not present at the meeting Tax Administrator Durkin read from Kevin Esposito's report that Roseland just appointed a new Business Administrator who he will meet with to discuss the revaluation and that an RFP should be ready by August and a contract should be awarded in October. Maps are in review and should be approved prior to the advertising of the RFP.
 - 6. UPDATE OF REVALUATIONS 2021 NORTH CALDWELL, 2022 EAST ORANGE, 2023 NEWARK, 2024 IRVINGTON & ORANGE
- North Caldwell Tax Assessor George Librizzi reported that the RFP is complete, the advertisement is being done and a purchase order will be issued to start tax map updates to be sent to the State for approval.
- East Orange Tax Assessor Romal Bullock was not present at the meeting and Tax Administrator Durkin reported that the East Orange Tax Map has been submitted to Trenton for approval.
- Newark Tax Assessor Aaron Wilson reported that the RFP is almost complete, the Surveyor is currently updating the tax maps and he expects that the RFP will be advertised at the beginning of next year.
- Irvington Tax Assessor Sylvia Forbes had nothing to report on the revaluation as of this meeting.
- Orange Tax Assessor Christopher Murray reported that the Orange Tax Maps need updating.

 Tax Administrator Durkin suggested that he stay on top of the issue to ensure that the timeline is adhered to.
 - 7. MOTION TO APPROVE JUDGMENTS RENDERED IN MAY INCLUDING AND UP TO JUNE 6TH (INCLUDING TCP, STIPS & WITHDRAWALS).
 - A motion to approve the Judgments was made by Commissioner Matarazzo, Seconded by Commissioner DeFuria, all in favor motion passed.

8. **CHAPTER 123**

Tax Administrator Durkin discussed the Chapter 123 worksheets and how very important the worksheets are as a valuable tool in making a judgment on value. Discussion followed.

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

Conference call to be scheduled for 6/28/19 to approve June Judgments. New Legislation Senate Bill 3726 was discussed that is currently pending in Trenton. Home sales were also discussed with regard to the high sales prices, Tax Administrator Durkin handed out information regarding the issue.

10. PUBLIC SPEAKERS

None

11. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:53 AM was made by Commissioner Linares, seconded by Commissioner Matarazzo, all in favor motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted Joan Codey Durkin, Tax Administrator

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