

ESSEX COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION
BOARD MEETING
AGENDA
Tuesday, December 18, 2018
9:00 a.m.

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.

ROLL CALL

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of July 2018 Conference Call Minutes, October 2018 & November 2018 minutes
3. Chapter 101 Compliance Plans - Motion to approve the following town: Orange
4. Update of Deeds
5. Status of Revaluation: 2019 Belleville, Glen Ridge and Verona
6. Update of Revaluations: 2020 Bloomfield, Fairfield & Livingston, 2021 Nutley & Roseland
7. Roseland Revaluation Extension Approved by State
8. Orange Assessor
9. Public Speakers
10. New Business
11. Motion to go to Added/Omitted Hearings
12. Motion to go back on record
13. Motion to approve Judgments heard today, December 18, 2018
14. Adjournment

COMMISSIONERS

PRESENT

ABSENT

<i>O'Brien, President</i>	X
<i>DeFuria</i>	X
<i>Grodman</i>	X
<i>Johnson</i>	X
<i>Linares</i>	X
<i>Matarazzo</i>	X
<i>Admin. Durkin</i>	X

*** AGENDA MAY BE AMENDED PRIOR TO BOARD MEETING***

A meeting of the Essex County Board of Taxation was held on Tuesday, December 18, 2018 at 9:20 AM at its office located at 50 South Clinton Street, Suite 5200, East Orange, New Jersey.

1. ROLL CALL

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

2. APPROVAL OF JULY 2018 CONFERENCE CALL MINUTES, OCTOBER 2018 & NOVEMBER 2018 MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes of July 2018 made by Commissioner DeFuria
Seconded by Commissioner Matarazzo all in favor, motion passed.

Motion to approve October 2018 minutes made by Commissioner Grodman
Seconded by Commissioner Linares, all in favor, motion passed.

Motion to approve November 2018 minutes made by Commissioner Johnson, Seconded by Commissioner Grodman, all in favor, motion passed.

3. CHAPTER 101 COMPLIANCE PLANS – MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING TOWN: ORANGE

Tax Administrator Durkin reported to the Board that she denied the Chapter 101 Compliance plan for Orange and will order a Revaluation at the January 2019 meeting.

4. Update of Deeds

8,109 deeds have been processed which is 350 more than this period last year. The office is up to date and waiting for the Registers Office to process new deeds.

5. STATUS OF REVALUATIONS: 2019 BELLEVILLE, GLEN RIDGE AND VERONA

Belleville Tax Assessor Kevin Esposito reported PPA is weeks away from mailing valuation letters. Appraiser Mark Hendricks has been awarded a contract to review commercial properties. Hearings will be held the third and fourth week in January. The 2019 Tax List will be filed by February.

Glen Ridge Tax Assessor George Librizzi reported value letters have been mailed and hearings have begun. The revaluation is on schedule and he is satisfied with the results.

Verona Tax Assessor George Librizzi stated the revaluation is in its last phase. Mark Hendricks, Appraiser, is reviewing the values on the commercial properties and valuation letters will be mailed before the 1st of the New Year.

6. UPDATE OF REVALUATIONS: 2020 BLOOMFIELD, FAIRFIELD & LIVINGSTON, 2021 NUTLEY & ROSELAND

Bloomfield Tax Assessor Joseph Pisauro reported that the tax maps are still being updated and qualification codes on condominiums must be changed. Appraisal Systems has been awarded the revaluation contract.

Administrator Durkin reported that the revaluation executed contract for Fairfield has been forwarded to the State for review. Tax Maps are complete and Evelyn Laccitiello will be overseeing the Fairfield Revaluation.

Administrator Durkin reported on the Livingston revaluation stating that a meeting was held at the Livingston Town Hall and attended by her, Division of Taxation employees, Barry Lewis, Jr. Business Administrator, Sherri Weiner, Lidia Dumytsch, Jason Cohen and Evelyn Laccitiello. All outstanding issues regarding the revaluation were cleared up. Sherri Weiner, Township Attorney was advised by Administrator Durkin that her role in the revaluation was complete. A meeting will be held on January 10th for an update on the reval.

Nutley Tax Assessor Edmund Brown reported that the RFP is finished and he will hold a meeting during the 1st week of January with the Purchasing Agent to discuss advertising and place the RFP on the Council Agenda.

7. ROSELAND REVALUATION EXTENSION APPROVED BY STATE

Roseland Tax Assessor Kevin Esposito reported that the Resolution changing the date for the revaluation from 2020 to 2021 was approved by the State and his municipality was appreciative. Tax Map corrections are being made and the RFP is complete.

It was noted by Administrator Durkin that 3 different project managers will be assigned in the towns that Appraisal Systems has been granted revaluation contracts. This enables tax appeals to be heard without a scheduling conflict.

8. ORANGE ASSESSOR

Orange Tax Assessor Aaron Wilson stated that he will be leaving Orange after the filing of the 2019 Tax List.

9. PUBLIC SPEAKERS

None

10. NEW BUSINESS

Tax Administrator Durkin reported that there has been an interest in the concept of Rolling Assessments that was the subject of a seminar she recently attended. She is making arrangements for the speakers who spoke at the seminar she attended to hold a seminar in Essex County at the Boathouse. Assessors, Town Attorneys, CFO's, and Town Officials would be invited to hear about this new concept. Credits will be available to Assessors and Attorneys who attend the seminar. She also stated that the concept of rolling assessments might not be good for all municipalities.

Tax Administrator Durkin also made mention that at the January 10, 2019 meeting the representatives for Lenovo Laptops will be giving a demonstration and CTA credits will be available for those that attend.

11. MOTION TO GO TO ADDED/OMITTED HEARINGS

Motion made by Commissioner Johnson, Seconded by Commissioner Grodman, all in favor, motion passed. Time 9:50 AM

12. MOTION TO GO BACK ON RECORD

At 12:05 PM Motion made by Commissioner Grodman to go back on record Seconded by Commissioner DeFuria, all in favor, motion passed.

13. MOTION TO APPROVE JUDGMENTS HEARD TODAY, December 18, 2018

Motion to approve Judgments made by Commissioner DeFuria, Seconded by Commissioner Grodman, all in favor, motion passed.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Johnson, Seconded by Commissioner Matarazzo, all in favor, motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted
Joan Codey Durkin, Tax Administrator

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