

A regular meeting of the Bergen County Board of Taxation was held on Wednesday, December 4, 2024, in person at Two Bergen County Plaza. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Lonzifero at 9:36 A.M. and compliance with the Sunshine Law was indicated.

The roll call was taken:

Present: Commissioner Schuster, Lonzifero & Administrator Layton, and Assistant Administrator Dawn McCarthy were in person. President Calabrese, Commissioners O'Connor and Eilert attended via teleconference.

The November 6, 2024, minutes were approved. The motion was made by Commissioner Eilert and seconded by Commissioner O'Connor; all were in favor.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

1. 2025 Revaluations/Reassessment:

Allendale – Reassessment- Preliminary values completed, commercial sales analysis ongoing.

Bergenfield – Revaluation- No report. Administrator Layton requested a motion to summon Bergenfield Tax Assessor before the Board. Motion made by Commissioner Calabrese, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor.

Carlstadt – Reassessment- Preliminary values completed.

Cliffside Park – Revaluation- Extension request. Commissioner Eilert made a motion to approve the one-year extension request, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor. Commissioner Calabrese abstained from the motion. All other Commissioners were in favor.

Closter – Reassessment- Preliminary values completed.

Cresskill – Reassessment- Sales analysis continuing.

Demarest – Reassessment- Sales analysis continuing.

Dumont – Reassessment- Residential inspections completed. Sales analysis ongoing.

East Rutherford – Reassessment- Sales analysis ongoing.

Edgewater – Reassessment- Residential inspections 50% complete. Commercial values ongoing.

Fairlawn – Revaluation- Extension request. Commissioner Eilert made a motion to approve the one-year extension request, seconded by Commissioner Lonzihero. All were in favor.

Fairview – Reassessment- Residential inspections started.

Leonia – Revaluation- Extension request. Commissioner Eilert made a motion to approve the one-year extension request, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor. All were in favor.

Little Ferry – Reassessment- Preliminary values completed.

Lodi – Revaluation- Extension request. Commissioner Calabrese made a motion to approve the one-year extension request, seconded by Commissioner Lonzihero. All were in favor.

Lyndhurst – Reassessment- Sales analysis continuing.

Maywood – Reassessment- Residential inspections 50% complete. I & E analysis continuing.

Moonachie – Reassessment- All values completed and being reviewed.

New Milford – Revaluation- Preliminary values being reviewed.

North Arlington – Reassessment- Residential values prepared. I & E being analyzed.

Oakland – Reassessment- Residential values 50% complete.

Oradell – Reassessment- Residential values 50% complete. I & E being analyzed.

Palisades Park – Reassessment- Residential inspections continuing.

Paramus – Reassessment- Intro letters mailed. Residential inspections have begun.

Ramsey – Reassessment- Inspections completed. Final review is underway.

Ridgefield – Reassessment- Residential values completed. I & E being analyzed.

River Edge – Reassessment- Inspections continuing. Sales analysis continuing.

Saddle Brook – Reassessment- Residential values 50% completed, I & E being analyzed.

South Hackensack – Reassessment- Residential preliminary values prepared.

Teterboro – Reassessment- Sales analysis nearing completion.

Upper Saddle River – Revaluation- Extension request. Commissioner Eilert made a motion to approve the one-year extension request, seconded by Commissioner O’Connor and Lonziser0. All were in favor.

Wallington – Revaluation- Residential values 50% completed.

Westwood – Reassessment- Residential values 50% completed. I & E being analyzed.

Woodcliff Lake – Reassessment- Residential values have been prepared.

2. SR1-A’s – Up to date.

3. 2024 Added/Omitted Appeal Hearings, Wednesday, December 18, 2024.

4. Resolutions #24-20, 21, 22, 23 & 25 Revaluation Extensions.

5. Revaluation Recommendations. Administrator Layton stated he had sent the Revaluation Order criteria of the following municipalities to be reviewed to the Board: Fort Lee, Hackensack, Hillsdale, Midland Park, Montvale, Rutherford, Ridgewood, River Vale, Wood Ridge, Wyckoff. These orders are for 2026 for the 2027 Tax Year. Administrator Layton stated he has received a request from Wyckoff to postpone the Revaluation one year. Being that the Revaluation Orders have not been released officially yet, Wyckoff will be removed from the list. Administrator Layton requested a motion to approve the Revaluation Orders. Commissioner Schuster made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Lonziser0. Commissioner Eilert voted in favor but recused himself from the Wood Ridge Revaluation Order.

6. Resolution # 24-24 Added Assessment Correction Recommendations for all 70 municipalities. Commissioner Calabrese made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Eilert, all were in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE: Pamela Steele Retirement

Commissioner Calabrese spoke on behalf of The Board, wishing Pamela the best in retirement and thanked Pamela for her long-time service as an assessor.

OLD BUSINESS: None

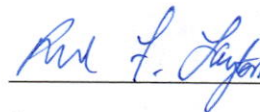
NEW BUSINESS:

Appeal #23-2400230DE, 100% Disabled Veteran Exemption.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING: JANUARY 8, 2025

A motion to open the meeting to the public was made by Commissioner Schuster at 9:55 A.M., seconded by Commissioner Lonzihero, all were in favor.

There being no further business before the Board, Commissioner Lonzihero made a motion to close the meeting at 9:57 A.M., seconded by Commissioner Eilert and approved by all.



Robert F. Layton, Tax Administrator

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