

MORRIS COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION

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Commissioners

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County Tax Administrator

William Kersey

July 18, 2019

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MORRIS COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION

- I Call to order
- II. Announcement regarding Sunshine Law
- III Roll call
- IV Minutes- June 20, 2019; July 1, 2019
- V Public Input any pertinent subject
- VI Business
 - 1. Tax Rates
 - 2. Tax Appeal Statistics Report
 - 3. Revaluation/Reassessment Update
 - 4. Any other business that may properly come before the Board
- VII Adjournment

The Morris County Board of Taxation held a Special Meeting in its office at 30 Schuyler Place, Morristown, New Jersey on July 18, 2019 at 10:00 A. M.

President Dr. Michael DiFazio presided and Commissioner Petracca was present. Commissioner Tyson participated via conference call.

Also present: William Kersey, Administrator, Kim Roggenkamp and Patty Marsh.

President Dr. DiFazio announced that proper and timely notice of the meeting had been posted and filed with the County Clerk, the Daily Record the Star Ledger and The Record.

No one from the public was present. That portion of the meeting devoted to the public was closed.

On motion by Commissioner Petracca seconded by Commissioner Tyson the minutes of June 20, 2019 and July 1, 2019 were approved.

Business: Mr. Kersey reported to the Board that as of the meeting 31 2019 Tax Rates had been completed. The Board agreed to certify the remaining 8 rates via email.

Revaluation/Reassessment Update – the following municipalities have been approved for reassessment for the 2020 tax year: Chester Boro., Jefferson Twp., Long Hill Twp., Riverdale Boro., Rockaway Twp. and Wharton Boro. Harding Twp. and Morristown Town are under order to complete a municipal wide revaluation for the 2020 tax year as well.

A discussion was held concerning holding a mandatory meeting for all Morris County Tax Assessors to let them know what is expected of them by the Tax Administrator and the Board. After discussion it was decided that two meetings would be held one on September 19, 2019 and the other on October 17, 2019. An email will be sent to all assessors informing them of the mandatory meeting and allowing them to choose the more convenient of the two dates.

Tax Administrator Kersey will begin visiting assessors in August during their published office hours.

On motion by Commissioner Tyson seconded by Commissioner Petracca the Board approved reimbursing municipalities for the NJACTB conference in Cape May. Registration and Hotel will be reimbursed for any Morris County Assessor who attends.

The Board approved registration in the following professional organizations: IAAO, NJACTB and NRAAO.

A discussion was held concerning using the Board's Dedicated Trust account to pay a one year stipend for Tax Board Office staff. Commissioner Tyson stated that he felt the staff should receive appropriate increases. Commissioner Petracca feels that it is important to increase salaries in order to retain good employees. On motion by Commissioner Tyson seconded by Commissioner Petracca the Board unanimously voted to approve an increase in salary to \$53,000 for Patricia Marsh.

Commissioner Petracca asked the Administrator to check with the Attorney General's Office before publishing the minutes of the Board's closed session meetings since there was a RICE Notice issued to an employee.

There being no further business, on motion the meeting adjourned at 10:35 A.M.