

**ESSEX COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION  
BOARD MEETING**

**AGENDA**

**Monday, December 15, 2014**

**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.**

1. ROLL CALL
2. Approval of November 2014 Minutes
3. Update Caldwell and Essex Fells Revaluation
4. Chapter 101 Compliance Plans – Motion to approve the following towns: Bloomfield, Cedar Grove, South Orange & West Caldwell
5. Update on Deeds
6. Resolution for John Murray, Former Millburn Tax Assessor
7. Public Speakers
8. New Business
9. Motion to go to Added/Omitted Hearings
10. Motion to go back on record
11. Motion to approve Judgments heard today, December 15, 2014
12. Adjournment

**COMMISSIONERS**

**PRESENT**

**ABSENT**

<b>O'BRIEN, PRESIDENT</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>DEFURIA</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>GRODMAN</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>JOHNSON</b>	<b>X (Arrived at 9:30)</b>	
<b>LINARES</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>MATARAZZO, JR</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>ADMIN. DURKIN</b>	<b>X</b>	

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

The December 15, 2014 meeting of the Essex County Board of Taxation was held at its office located at 50 South Clinton Street, Suite 5200, East Orange, NJ at 9:17 a.m.

## **1. ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call, the following members were present: President O'Brien, Commissioners DeFuria, Grodman, Linares, Matarazzo and Administrator Durkin. Commissioner Johnson arrived at 9:30.

## **2. Approval of November 2014 Minutes**

President O'Brien stated the motion to approve the minutes would be held until Commissioner Johnson was present. (Commissioner Johnson arrived at 9:30) Commissioner Matarazzo moved that the minutes be approved, seconded by Commissioner Johnson. All were in favor, with Commissioner DeFuria abstaining.

## **3. Update Caldwell and Essex Fells Revaluation**

### **Caldwell**

Joan Kozeniesky, Tax Assessor informed the Board that she has been reaching out to the Engineer contracted by the township and has not had any response regarding the tax maps. Discussion followed regarding tax maps. Bid specifications, revaluation contract.

### **Essex Fells**

Kevin Esposito, Tax Assessor informed the Board that the reval specifications would be published hopefully later this month. Discussion followed regarding the tax maps and that the Division of Taxation would be updated regarding both Caldwell and Essex Fells revaluation status.

## **4. Chapter 101 Compliance Plans – Motion to approve the following towns: Bloomfield, Cedar Grove, South Orange & West Caldwell**

On December 3<sup>rd</sup> all Compliance Plans were reviewed by Tax Administrator Durkin and in attendance were Assessors Pisauero, Hamilton, Malgieri and Administrative Clerk Kourkoulis.

### **Bloomfield**

Joe Pisauero, Tax Assessor was present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners had regarding the townships Compliance Plan. Commissioner Matarazzo moved that the Compliance Plan be approved, seconded by Commissioner DeFuria. All were in favor with Commissioner Linares abstaining.

### **Cedar Grove and West Caldwell**

*Richard Hamilton, Tax Assessor for Cedar Grove and West Caldwell was present to explain and answer any questions the Commissioners had regarding the Compliance Plans for Cedar Grove and West Caldwell. Commissioner DeFuria moved that the Compliance Plan for Cedar Grove be approved, seconded by Commissioner Grodman. All were in favor. West Caldwell's Compliance Plan was withdrawn and a letter to that effect was presented.*

### **South Orange**

*Administrator Durkin informed the Board that Ellen Malgieri, Tax Assessor was ill today and could not attend the Board meeting. After the Commissioners reviewed the Compliance Plan, Matarazzo moved that the South Orange Compliance Plan be approved, seconded by Commissioner DeFuria. All were in favor.*

### **5. Update on Deeds**

*Kenya Kourkoulis, Administrative Assistant stated that viewable deeds up to December 2, 2014 were completed, and 5,675 have been keyed in which is around 300 more from this time last year.*

### **6. Resolution for John Murray, Former Millburn Tax Assessor**

*President O'Brien read into the minutes a resolution of congratulations from the Essex County Tax Board for John Murray, CTA an Assessor for 60 years. The Resolution of Congratulations will be given to Mr. Murray tomorrow at the Assessor's Holiday Luncheon.*

### **7. Public Speakers**

*There were no further questions or statements made by any attendees.*

### **8. New Business**

*There was no new business discussed at this time.*

### **9. Motion to go to Added/Omitted Hearings**

*At 9:40 a.m., Commissioner Johnson made the motion to go to Added/Omitted hearings, seconded by Commissioner DeFuria. All were in favor. Commissioner DeFuria excused himself at 10:30 a.m. for the rest of the meeting.*



**10. Motion to go back on record**

*At 1:25 p.m., a motion was made by Commissioner Matarazzo to go back on record, seconded by Commissioner Grodman, all were in favor.*

**11. Motion to approve Judgments heard today, December 15, 2014**

*President O'Brien requested a motion to be made to approve all judgments heard today, December 15, 2014. Commissioner Matarazzo made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Grodman.*

**12. Adjournment**

*There being no further business, at 1:28 p.m. the meeting was adjourned by a motion made by Commissioner Matarazzo, seconded by Commissioner Grodman. All were in favor.*

*Respectfully Submitted:  
Administrator Joan Codey Durkin, CTA*

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