

***\*\*Tracey from Vital will be here\*\****

**ESSEX COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION  
BOARD MEETING  
AGENDA**

**Thursday, February 7, 2013  
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 January 2013 minutes
3. Status of 2013 Revaluations: East Orange, Glen Ridge & Newark
4. Status of 2014 Revaluations: Irvington and Orange
5. Approval of Overrides
6. Newark Ratio Update
7. Update of Appeals
8. Update of Deeds
9. Public Speakers
10. New Business
11. Adjournment

**COMMISSIONERS**

**PRESENT**

**ABSENT**

**WILLIS, PRESIDENT**

**X**

**DEFURIA**

**X**

**JOHNSON**

**X**

**LINARES**

**X**

**MATARAZZO**

**X**

**O'BRIEN**

**X**

**ADMIN. DURKIN**

**X**

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

A meeting of the Essex County Board of Taxation was held on Thursday, February 7, 2013 at 9:19 a.m. at its office, 50 South Clinton Street, Suite 5200, East Orange, NJ.

## **1. ROLL CALL**

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

Commissioner Johnson presided over the Board Meeting.

## **2. Approval of Minutes for January 10, 2013 Board Meeting**

Commissioner Johnson made a request for two corrections on page 4 on the January 10, 2013 minutes, Commissioner O'Brien made the motion to approve the minutes with corrections and the motion was seconded by Commissioner DeFuria. All were in favor.

## **3. Status of 2013 Revaluations: East Orange, Glen Ridge and Newark**

Commissioner Johnson recused himself and Commissioner O'Brien presided over the meeting.

### **East Orange**

Tom Small, Tax Assessor stated he submitted status report from Tyler Technologies and the revaluation is almost complete. Discussion followed regarding dates of post cards and 45 day notice for property owners.

### **Newark**

Romal Bullock, Tax Assessor stated extension would be needed for the revaluation. Jason Cohen, ASI stated value letters have been mailed and informal hearings being scheduled. Discussion followed regarding time frame for mailings and extension to March 15, 2013. Commissioner O'Brien requested a motion for an extension for the City of Newark to file tax listings no later than March 15, 2013. Commissioner Matarazzo made the motion and Commissioner Linares seconded the motion. All were in favor.

### **Orange**

Matt Rinaldi, Tax Assessor stated first reading of a Special Emergency Appropriation ordinance was passed. Tyler Technologies had a public forum to discuss revaluation process. Tax maps submitted to State.

Commissioner Johnson returned and presided over the meeting.

### **Glen Ridge**

George Librizzi, Tax Assessor stated he submitted status report from Tyler Technologies and would like an extension to March 15, 2013. Commissioner Johnson asked for a motion to approve the extension. Commissioner Matarazzo made the motion and Commissioner O'Brien seconded the motion. All were in favor.

## **4. Status of 2014 Revaluations: Irvington and Orange**

### **Irvington**

Eric Goodman, Esq. was representing the township. He stated that the tax maps are 75% complete. Appraisal Systems was awarded the contract. Discussion followed regarding the number of appeals, line items and etc.

## **5. Approval of Overrides**

Kenya Kourkoulis stated that Montclair, South Orange, Fairfield and Millburn have overrides. Commissioner Johnson requested a motion to approve the completed overrides. Commissioner O'Brien made the motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Matarazzo. All were in favor.

## **6. Newark ratio Update**

Romal Bullock, Tax Assessor stated that the City of Newark won the appeal and the new ratio is 74.03%.

## **7. Update of Appeals**

Administrator Durkin stated that there are 148 appeals keyed in the system as of today. Irvington has 49 with West Orange having 36. Discussion followed regarding the high volume of appeals expected this season,

## **8. Update of Deeds**

Administrator Durkin stated that 5,966 deeds have been processed. This time last year 5,386 were keyed, a small increase.

## **9. Public Speakers**

Commissioner Johnson asked for a motion to have public speakers. Commissioner DeFuria made the motion and it was seconded by Commissioner O'Brien.

Discussion regarding the State calculation of the ratio, the market and damage done by Super Storm Sandy.

## **10. New Business**

Administrator Durkin stated that a class was being held regarding Tax Appeals on March 14, 2013 and that the Board meeting might be moved to Thursday, March 21, 2013. This would give us more time to complete the Equalization Table.

## **11. Adjournment**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m. on a motion made by Commissioner DeFuria and seconded by Commissioner Matarazzo. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Joan Codey Durkin, CTA  
Tax Administrator

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