

Equalization and Assessment Committee Minutes
January 13, 2014 – 3:30 p.m.

Present: Chairman Collyer; Supervisors Jenkins, Lent, Lunde, Richardson, Wood, Ziegler, Veitch, and Sausville; Spencer Hellwig, Administrator; Sam Pitcherale, Cindy Baker, Treasurer; Steve Dorsey, County Attorney; Brian O’Conor, County Auditor; Joanne Bosley, Chris Aldrich, Real Property; Press.

Chairman Collyer called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

On a motion made by Mr. Jenkins, seconded by Mr. Lent the minutes of the November 4, 2013 meeting were approved unanimously.

Chairman Collyer announced the appointment of Mr. Jenkins as the committee Vice Chair.

Mrs. Bosley requested a resolution to set the March Auction date for March 18, 2014, with registration beginning at 5:00 p.m. and the auction taking place at 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. Richardson to approve March 18, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. as the date and time of the County Auction. Unanimous.

Mr. Collyer said currently there are 86 parcels on the county auction list.

Mrs. Bosley said the Real Property Tax Law which governs refunds and corrections includes that the county can, by a yearly resolution, authorize the County Auditor to approve corrections and refunds up to \$2,500 or less. A request was made for a resolution to allow the County Auditor to approve Corrections and Refunds of tax bills of \$2,500 or less.

A motion was made by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Ziegler to authorize the County Auditor to approve Corrections and Refunds to tax bills in an amount not to exceed \$2,500. Unanimous.

Mrs. Bosley requested a correction to a tax bill in the town of Milton for the Milton Senior Limited Partnership where the town passed an amendment to the Redevelopment Company Contract regarding the PILOT on December 14, 2013. In the contract it was stated that no local or municipal taxes shall be due in connection with the July 1, 2013 final roll. In 2014 the County billed them. A request was made that the General Municipal taxes be removed in the amount of \$6,284.43.

A motion was made by Mr. Lunde, seconded by Mr. Wood to approve a correction to a tax bill in the Town of Milton for \$6,284.43. Unanimous.

Mrs. Bosley said there was an error in the town budget which caused unit charges to be extended, and created a charge on the SE054 sewer district in the Town of Clifton Park. She said of the 44 parcels 43 were charged a unit charge of \$815.03 and one unit of 8 was charged \$16,300.63. The total amount of the correction is \$51,346.92.

A motion was made by Mr. Lent, seconded by Mr. Wood to approve corrections to the tax roll in the town of Clifton Park for a total of \$51,346.92. Unanimous.

Mr. Pitcherelle presented a tender offer made in the Town of Saratoga/Village of Victory. The payment was made for three years back taxes, 2011, 2012, 2013 for a total of \$4,425.70.

A motion was made by Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. Richardson to approve a tender offer from the Town of Saratoga/Village of Victory in the amount of \$4,425.70. Unanimous.

Mr. O'Connor gave a brief update on the 2013 Year End Report stating that as in the third quarter, the fourth quarter had no adjustments or corrections. The total corrections for the year were approximately \$7,000, which was down from 2012.

A motion was made by Mr. Jenkins, seconded by Mr. Lunde to approve the 2013 year-end report from the County Auditor. Unanimous.

On a motion made by Mr. Lent, seconded by Mr. Ziegler the meeting was adjourned unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Sansom