



CITY OF STAMFORD
BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS
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Minutes of Meeting on September 12, 2019

The meeting began at 5:00 P.M.

Members present were: Chairman, George Sessa, Raymond W. Leyden, Ralph Loglisci, Larry Ginsberg, and Prisca Lin, Clerk.

Also present: Tax Assessor, Gregory Stackpole

Discussion with Stamford Tax Assessor

- Mr. Greg Stackpole advised that the Board might expect higher than normal numbers of motor vehicle appeals this year, as City of Stamford has outsourced Municipal Tax Services, LLC to provide investigative services in identifying vehicles registered out of state and unregistered motor vehicles that are garaged in Stamford but not on the tax roll. Car owners who believed they were billed incorrectly based on the investigations might appeal.
- Mr. Stackpole added that for “snowbird” with out-of-state registration who still owns property or stays with relatives in Stamford should report their motor vehicle on the Declaration of Personal Property each year.
- The Assessor provided handouts to the Board members which detailed the situations in which the vehicles might be assessed and taxed and the applicable sections of the Connecticut General Statutes 12-71. Discussion ensued regarding these topics.
- Mr. Stackpole indicated that the City has signed a contract with Municipal Tax Services, LLC for two years and they will be paid part of the taxes, interest and fees collected as a result of their discoveries. Municipal Tax Services, LLC are also employed by other cities in Connecticut.

The discussion concluded at 5:25 P.M.

Before the motor vehicle hearings began, Chairman George Sessa went over the status of each board member’s term:

Ralph Loglisci – re-appointed in June 2019. Current term expires in December 2020.

R.W. Leyden – expired as of December 2018 and has not yet been re-appointed.

George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg and Richard Agatstein – active



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Motor Vehicle Appeals

The hearings started at 5:35 P.M. Each appellant was required to check in with the Board Clerk first before making the appeal in front of the Board. The following appeals were heard and deliberations conducted:

File # 18225		Appeal Of: 1999 Ford F550		VIN: 1FDAF57F3XED13336		Parcel ID: 1869910	
Original Asmt 2018 GL:		\$15,230		Final Assessment for 10/1/2018 GL:		\$8,200	
Appeal Heard By: George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci				ASMT ADJUSTMENT (+/-)		-7,030	
ACTION: Change		Detailed Action: Reduced assessed value to 8,200					
Members Present for Deliberations:		George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci					
Members in Favor:		George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci					
Members Opposed:		None					
File # 18226		Appeal Of: 2017 Mitsubishi Outlander		VIN: JA4JZ4AX3HZ003215		Parcel ID:	
Original Asmt 2018 GL:		n/a		Final Assessment for 10/1/2018 GL:		n/a	
Appeal Heard By: George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci				ASMT ADJUSTMENT (+/-)		n/a	
ACTION: No Change		Detailed Action: Cannot act on since the tax liability has not been established by MTS					
Members Present for Deliberations:		George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci					
Members in Favor:		George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci					
Members Opposed:		None					
File # 18227		Appeal Of: 2014 Audi Q7 TDI		VIN: WA1LMAFE7ED001084		Parcel ID: 1815718	
Original Asmt 2018 GL:		\$19,060		Final Assessment for 10/1/2018 GL:		\$19,060	
Appeal Heard By: George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci				ASMT ADJUSTMENT (+/-)		0	
ACTION: No Change		Detailed Action: Issue reflected in NADA valuation					
Members Present for Deliberations:		George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci					
Members in Favor:		George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci					
Members Opposed:		None					
File # 18228		Appeal Of: 2011 Nissan Altima		VIN: 1N4AL2AP0BN489207		Parcel ID: PPF0000007	
Original Asmt 2018 GL:		\$5,666		Final Assessment for 10/1/2018 GL:		\$5,666	
Appeal Heard By: George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci				ASMT ADJUSTMENT (+/-)		0	
ACTION: No Change		Detailed Action: No change per CGS 12-71					
Members Present for Deliberations:		George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci					
Members in Favor:		George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci					
Members Opposed:		None					



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File # 18229	Appeal Of: 2013 Cadillac SRX	VIN: 3GYFNGE33DS548798	Parcel ID: MVF0000170
Original Asmt 2016 GL:	\$17,745	Final Assessment for 10/1/2016 GL:	\$0
Appeal Heard By: George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci	ASMT ADJUSTMENT (+/-)		-17,745
ACTION: Change	Detailed Action: Remove from Stamford tax roll		
Members Present for Deliberations:	George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci		
Members in Favor:	George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci		
Members Opposed:	None		

File # 18230	Appeal Of: 2013 Cadillac SRX	VIN: 3GYFNGE33DS548798	Parcel ID: MVF1696976
Original Asmt 2017 GL:	\$15,120	Final Assessment for 10/1/2017 GL:	\$0
Appeal Heard By: George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci	ASMT ADJUSTMENT (+/-)		-15,120
ACTION: Change	Detailed Action: Remove from Stamford tax roll		
Members Present for Deliberations:	George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci		
Members in Favor:	George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci		
Members Opposed:	None		

File # 18231	Appeal Of: 2013 Cadillac SRX	VIN: 3GYFNGE33DS548798	Parcel ID: MVF1797484
Original Asmt 2018 GL:	\$11,375	Final Assessment for 10/1/2018 GL:	\$0
Appeal Heard By: George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci	ASMT ADJUSTMENT (+/-)		-11,375
ACTION: Change	Detailed Action: Remove from Stamford tax roll		
Members Present for Deliberations:	George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci		
Members in Favor:	George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci		
Members Opposed:	None		

File # 18232	Appeal Of: 2017 Ducati 959 Panigale	VIN: ZDM14B1W4HB005567	Parcel ID: 1878587
Original Asmt 2018 GL:	\$19,010	Final Assessment for 10/1/2018 GL:	\$12,000
Appeal Heard By: George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci	ASMT ADJUSTMENT (+/-)		-7,010
ACTION: Change	Detailed Action: Lower FMV to 17,143		
Members Present for Deliberations:	George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci		
Members in Favor:	George Sessa, Larry Ginsberg, R W Leyden, Richard Agatstein, Ralph Loglisci		
Members Opposed:	None		

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Prisca Lin".

Prisca Lin, Clerk