

**BUCKS COUNTY TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
January 29, 2013**

Warwick Township
1733 Township Greene
Jamison, PA 18929

CALL TO ORDER

Robert Pellegrino, Northampton Township, Vice-Chairman convened the meeting of the Bucks County Tax Collection (TCC) at 4:10 PM and led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL

Carolyn McCreary, Plumstead Township, Secretary called the membership roll. There was a quorum to conduct the Committee business.

PUBLIC COMMENT (None)

REORGANIZATION

Nominations were sought for the Officers of the Committee. With none being received votes were called to reappoint the current Officers and carried unanimously.

Michael Gallagher, Newtown Township – Chairman
Robert Pellegrino, Northampton Township – Vice-Chairman
Carolyn McCreary, Plumstead Township – Secretary
Eileen Bradley, New Britain Township – Treasurer

Nomination was sought for the vacancy on the Management Committee. Motion was made and seconded to appoint Gail Gordon, Bristol Township. On vote, the motion carried unanimously. No other nominations were received for the Management Committee and the vote was called to reappoint the current members and carried unanimously.

Chester Pogonowski, Wrightstown Township
Matthew Melanson, Ivyland Borough
Susan Snyder, Sellersville Borough
Robert Reinhart, Council Rock School District

Nominations were sought for the Tax Appeals Board. With none being received the vote was called to reappoint the current members and carried unanimously.

David Matyas, Central Bucks School District
Nick Forte, Tincum Township
Lorraine Leslie, Hilltown Township
Patricia Roeder, Milford Township (Alternate)
Barry Lubber, Warrington Township (Alternate)

Nomination was sought for the Open Records Officer with Carolyn McCreary, Plumstead Township being nominated and seconded to fill the position. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made and seconded to approve the November 29, 2012 minutes. A suggestion was made to add language to the budget update noting \$50,000 in "anticipated" revenue. On vote to approve the minutes as amended, the motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER REPORT

Ratify Paid Invoices

Ms. Bradley reviewed the expenditures for the period totaling \$1,503.00 with the YTD expenditures totaling \$1,503.00. On vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Bradley reminded the members that their 2013 assessment would be deducted from their 2013 EIT revenue per approval of the members at the November meeting. She also indicated that Keystone Collections will again provide the controls audit at a reduced cost due to more TCCs participating.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Update on Litigation Regarding Philadelphia "Super Credit"

Solicitor Geoff Beauchamp provided an update regarding the Philadelphia "Super Credit" litigation, reporting that the motion for Summary Judgment had been denied. He stated that an appeal to the State Supreme Court had been approved by the Tax Credit Coalition at no additional cost to the TCCs.

OLD BUSINESS

Joe Lazzaro, Esq. of Keystone Collections Group updated the members on the collection of the EIT revenue and the anticipated end of the Philadelphia Super-Credit, citing the provisions Keystone had made for it, including new language added to the directions advising tax filers of a possible change in the law and having their system set up for either scenario. He noted that February represents larger collections due to 4th quarter filings and that April is the busiest month, both on the website and on the phones. He indicated that 99 lines would be in place for calls from tax filers and preparers.

Rob Good, Community Liaison with Keystone Collections spoke to the members about additional schedules that will now be part of the end-of-month reports. He also described new software (Dashboard) being released to a limited panel of users for testing, that would provide end-of-month reconciliation reports from the website with charting capabilities among other things.

NEW BUSINESS (None)

PUBLIC COMMENT (None)

There being no further business, Vice-Chairman Pellegrino adjourned the meeting at approximately 5:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,


Carolyn McCreary, Secretary