

December 8, 2022 Executive Board Meeting of the Tax Collectors and Treasurers Association of New Jersey.

Meeting called to order at 10:10 a.m. by President Carl DiLeo followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mary Picariello and the Invocation by Vincent Belluscio.

There were twenty voting members in attendance. C. Assenheimer read off the roll call. Roll Call showed the following Officers in attendance:

OFFICERS:

President C. DiLeo
First Vice President: Effie Pressley
Second Vice President: Paul Lesniak
Third Vice President: Maureen Cosgrove
Treasurer: Bonnie Fleming
Assistant Treasurer: Liz Villano
Corresponding Secretary: Mary Picariello
Recording Secretary: Chris Assenheimer
Sergeant-at-Arms: Linda Canavan subbing for Jodi DeMaio.
Chaplain/Good & Welfare:
Legal Council: Keith Bonchi
Executive Director: V. Belluscio
Membership Services Director: Rita Carr

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES:

Region One: Sonia Shulman-Absent
Region Two: Daryn Cashin-Absent
Region Three: Connie Ludder
Region Four: Louis Palazo-Absent
Region Five: Mark Godfrey
Region Six: Renee DeSalvo

COUNTY PRESIDENTS:

Atlantic: Jessica Snyder-Absent
Bergen: Chita Parker
Burlington: Michelle Adams subbing for Julia Edmondson
Camden/Cumberland/Gloucester: Tracy Gregoire
Cape May: Deborah Lindholm
Essex/Hudson/Passaic/Union: Annmarie Corbit-Absent
Middlesex/Somerset/Hunterdon/Mercer: Abelardo Conesa
Monmouth/Ocean: Colleen Lapp
Morris: Mary Ann Murphy-Absent
Sussex/Warren: Dana Mooney-Absent

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PAST PRESIDENTS:

2018-2020: Linda Canavan
2017-2018: Michelle Adams
2015-2016: Kammie Verdolina
2013-2014: Jo Anne Lambusta-Absent
2011-2012: Mary Testori
2010-2011: Ron Zilinski-Absent
2006-2007: Randy Bahr-Absent
2005: Adeline Schmidt
2001: Gerald Vitarello
1998: Josephine Prisco-Absent

LIAISONS:

Division of Local Government Services: Margaret Saharic
Associate Business Members: Darren Lowe-Absent
Associate Business Member's President: Joseph Piesecki-Absent
Center for Government Services; Pam Chappelle
GFOA President: John Antonides.

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: The minutes from the 3/24/2022 meeting were approved on a Motion by M. Cosgrove, seconded by L. Villano with a correction regarding B. Fleming's report. (The minutes were e-mailed out for review prior to this meeting). The minutes from the 9/22/2022 meeting were accepted as presented on a Motion by B. Fleming, seconded by M. Picariello with a correction of Terrance Cap(?) was the sub for Cape May.

TREASURERS REPORT: The Treasurers report was accepted as presented on a Motion by P. Lesniak, seconded by M. Cosgrove.

BUDGET:

CORRESPONDANCE: Thank you note from C. Assenheimer for the get-well fruit tray.

OFFICERS REPORTS: President C. DiLeo thanked all for attending today's meeting and turned meeting over to First Vice President Effie Pressley for Committee Reports.

C. Assenheimer reported on Legislation: (See attached Legislation report).

Resolutions and By-laws: No report.

Technical Review: L. Canavan; no report.

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Spring Conference: Second Vice President P. Lesniak will be handling the Spring Conference that is scheduled for May 30,31 and June 1, 2023 (Wednesday - Friday).

Second Vice President P. Lesniak: Committee Reports:

NJ League of Municipalities Conference, L. Villano reported that the Conference went well. Executive Director V. Belluscio reported that he received class certificates from the League.

ABM: No report at this time.

Historical/Archives-C. Assenheimer reported progress.

Newsletter/Public Relations: Please send any reports or articles for the Criterion to Mary Jo.

PERS: V. Belluscio reported that there is nothing new at this time.

Scholarship: P. Lesniak reported that application will be in newsletter and Third Vice President M. Cosgrove will be the Co-Chair.

Third Vice President M. Cosgrove. Reported that meeting date has been changed to 9/21/23 to accommodate the GFOA Conference.

Good & Welfare: It was reported that plaques will be sent out.

Northeast Regional TCTA: M. Testori reported that the 2022 Conference went well. All is set. for the 2023 Conference at Rehoboth Beach, Delaware; 9/24-9/27/2023. Check out the web site for information including application to attend. Also, they are running a virtual training seminar on 1/5/2023 on Fraud Prevention and Internal Controls for Municipal Tax Collectors & Treasurers. Info on their web site.

GFOA: J. Antonides reported on health benefits increase of 20% and that pension benefits are also increasing: PERS: 17.11% and PFRS: 36.51%.

Finance & Tax CEU's: Chairman V. Belluscio: Reported that all is up to date.

Saul Wittes Seminar: No report.

COUNTY PRESIDENT REPORTS:

Atlantic: J. Snyder: Absent

Bergen: C. Parker introduced herself as the new president of Bergen County. Quarterly meeting was held on 12/1/2022 at Seasons in Washington Township. 15 Bags of food were collected and donated to the Center for Food Action.

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Burlington: M. Adams reported that the next meeting is on 12/15/2022 at the Burlington County Country Club and there will be a CEU presentation.

Camden/Cumberland/Gloucester/Salem: T. Gregoire reported the last meeting was held on 10/18/2022.

Cape May: D. Lindholm reported that there was no meeting in September. Next meeting is next week.

Essex/Hudson/Passaic/Unions: Meeting is next Thursday.

Middlesex/Somerset/Hunterdon/Mercer: A. Conesa reported that meeting is changed to January.

Monmouth/Ocean: C. Lapp reported that they held there Christmas party last week and they are planning a reorganization meeting.

Morris: Absent.

Sussex/Warren: Reported by V. Belluscio that this Association states that they are not attending our meetings because it is too far to travel.

President C. DiLeo reported that he had a meeting with the State on utilities on what they are trying to mandate. Could affect tax sales?

Executive Director: V. Belluscio reported that we might want to make an ad-hoc committee regarding the state's stance on utility charges? Also, has not received 2025 contract back from the Hard Rock Casino & Hotel; Working with Auditors and should be completed by the end of the year and this includes the 990 Form.

Council: K. Bonchi reported on the Green Night Capital Case regarding Tax Sale Foreclosure.

Membership Services: R. Carr: Nothing to report and Merry Christmas to all!

Rutgers Center for Government Services: P. Chappelle reported that the instructors met last Monday; 134 students were in the fall semester. Rutgers was hit with ransomware.

Division of Local Government Services: M. Saharic reported that Fram Lladis is out sick today. New Legislation regarding foreclosure where property owner sells for less than fair market value.

Unfinished/Old Business: Nothing was discussed.

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New Business: K. Bonchi gave the Oath of Office to Tracy Gregoire. .

At this time, the Officers Chairs were turned over. President E. Pressley presented outgoing president C. DiLeo with a plaque and gift. C. DiLeo thanked all for their help in the past and wished the new officer's good luck.

There was nothing else to be discussed so President E. Pressley adjourned the meeting at 11:41 a.m.

GOD BLESS AMERICA!

Christopher H. Assenheimer
Recording Secretary