TAX COLLECTORS & TREASURERS ASSOCIATION OF BERGEN COUNTY

Regular Meeting October 21, 2021

Season's Catering Venue 664 Pascack Rd. Washington Township, NJ

The October 21,2021 meeting of the Bergen County Tax Collectors and Treasurers Association was called to order at 12:15 pm. by President Jodi DeMaio who welcomed everyone and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Invocation was given by Patti Miller.

President's Report:

- Congratulations to the BCTCTA Scholarship recipient Anum Qureshi of Township of Rivervale
- The League of Municipalities Conference is scheduled for November 2021. The NJTCTA will have a booth. Volunteers are needed, anyone interested should contact Liz Villano or Jodi DeMaio.
- The December 2, 2021, meeting is scheduled to be in person
- The Minutes from June 24, 2021, were accepted and approved

Speaker Presentation:

Cynthia McBride, Government Relations Specialist for Charles Jones, LLC, & Tax Collector of Lambertville, NJ, presented on Tax Searches- Then & Now. She discussed the following key points:

- The working relationship between the Tax Office and Third Party Search companies
- The necessity to have accurate Public Records
- Municipal Online Payment portals reduce the number of telephone inquiries in a Tax Office
- Daniel's Law Redacted information will cause issues if the MOD IV does not provide names

Committee Reports:

- Membership
 - None
- Nominating
 - Slate of Officers for 2022 will remain the same as 2021. Motion to close Nominations was accepted.
- Legislative

Chris Assenheimer, NJ League of Municipalities Legislative Committeeman, reported on the following:

- A-5142: Protects homeowner in foreclosure from excessively low intervening offer. This bill became P.L.2021.c.231 This bill amends P.L. 1954;c.186(C.54:5-89.1),to prohibit a person who has acquired fair market value of that property, after the filing of the foreclosure complaint, from exercising the right of redemption after the filing of the foreclosure complaint.
- **A-5820** Provides for termination of the public health emergency declared by the Governor to address the COVID-19 Pandemic, except for certain executive orders, directives, and powers that will remain in effect temporarily.

- **A-681** Expands scope of law prohibiting age discrimination by adding protection for people over 70 who were previously not statutorily protected
- S-2725 Concerns assessment of real property in counties operating under "Real Property Assessment Demonstration Program". This only effects Monmouth, Gloucester, and Burlington counties.
- Grievances
 - None
- Programs
 - We will conduct a charitable collection for the Center for Hope & Safety at the December meeting
- By-Laws
 - None
- Social
 - None
- Good & Welfare
 - None
- Website
 - None

Treasurer's Report:

Ada Vassallo gave the Treasurer's report:

Opening Balance TD Bank	\$14,064.89
Deposits (June – Sept. 31st)	\$ 100.00
Expenses (June – Sept. 31st)	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Ending Balance TD Bank	\$14,164.89

Membership Total 75 Members (69 Regular, 5 Business, 1 Retired)

The Treasurer's Report was accepted and approved.

State Report:

Linda Canavan reported the following:

- Vacant Property fees are a subject of discussion.
- An "eggnotice" will be sent regarding the resident Bill of Rights for Utility bills
- Daniel's Law is slated to be in effect early December
- The Homestead Rebate is expected to be paid in May 2022

New Business: None

The meeting was Adjourned at 1:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Patricia J. Miller Recording Secretary