

The minutes of the Village of Haverstraw Board of Assessment Review on Monday, February 19th, 2019, beginning at 4:00 PM.

ROLL CALL	Trustee Bueno	- Present
	Trustee Watson	- Present – arrived at 4:45 PM
	Trustee Dominguez	- Present
	Trustee Santana	- Present
	Mayor Kohut	- Present

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor announced that the Board is sitting to hear any tax grievances and opened the floor to the public.

Rafael inaudible: Mr. ? reported to the Board that this property was assessed the previous year at \$6,300.00 and this year it was raised to approximately \$10,000.00. The owner purchased the property for \$140,000.00 which included the seller fixing the gazebo in the yard before the final sale. He feels the property value should not be more than the \$140,000.00 selling price. He mentioned that the Town of Haverstraw also significantly raised the assessed value on the property and now he is being hit with significantly higher taxes from both the Village and the Town.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor inquired how many bedrooms there are in the house.

Grievance Applicant: Mr. ? was not sure how many bedrooms were in the house but would get that information for the Board.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor then asked if the applicant was the owner of the house. He responded he was there representing the owner.

Emily Dominguez: Deputy Mayor Dominguez asked if the house is being rented and if so, the amount of the rent. She explained to Mr. ? that the Board cannot make a decision on the property without having all the information with regard to the house itself and the rental income. She then asked if any additional work has been done to the house.

Applicant: As far as he knows, no additional work has been done to the house. He believes the house is being rented but did not know how much the tenants were paying, informing the Board that this is not a commercial property. He also mentioned the significant rise in the Town's assessment.

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor noted that this property was vacant for some time due to environmental issues. He informed the applicant that the Board would take this request under consideration and will discuss the appeal further with the Village Assessor when she returns to the County. The Mayor explained that a determination will be made by the 2nd week in March at which time he will be notified.

Mayor Kohut: With no further appeals from the public, the Mayor continued with the Regular Board meeting of February 19, 2019.

Respectfully submitted by,

Beverly A. Swift, Senior Steno Clerk