

MEETING MINUTES
SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY STATE BOARD
NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE
STATE BOARD OF REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES

MEETING OF JUNE 14, 2023

A meeting of the State Board of Real Property Tax Services was held via videoconference. The following members and staff were present:

Matthew Rand, *Chairman*
Scott Becker
Samuel Casella

Rachel Ingalsbe, *Acting Secretary of the State Board, and Interim Director of Real Property Tax Services*
Joseph Gerberg, *Legal Advisor to the State Board, Office of Counsel*
David Markey, *Legal Advisor to the State Board, Office of Counsel*
Brittany Murphy, *Assistant to the State Board, Office of Real Property Tax Services*
Kayla Goyer, *Assistant to the State Board, Office of Real Property Tax Services*
Brooke Wojdyla, *Assistant to the State Board, Office of Real Property Tax Services*

Gary Drake, *Real Property Analyst 3, Office of Real Property Tax Services*
Jennifer Lis, *Real Property Analyst 1, Office of Real Property Tax Services*
Jim McGovern, *Real Property Analyst 3, Office of Real Property Tax Services*
John Wolham, *Real Property Services Administrator 1, Office of Real Property Tax Services*
Edward Martorana, *Real Property Analyst 3, Office of Real Property Tax Services*
Margaret Owens, *Real Property Analyst 3, Office of Real Property Tax Services*
Rebecca Bellard, *Associate Accountant, Office of Real Property Tax Services*
Christi Dillenbeck, *Taxpayer Services Specialist 1, Office of Real Property Tax Services*
Lilly Wilder, *Real Property Analyst Trainee 1, Office of Real Property Tax Services*
Jesse Morris, *Representative for Optical Communications Group, Coyle & Morris*
Brad Ickes, *Optical Communications Group*
Roseanne Lemery, *Fort Edward Assessor*

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Mr. Rand called the State Board of Real Property Tax Services meeting to order at 11:00 A.M. He introduced the Board Members and various Tax Department staff members who were present. Ms. Ingalsbe gave a brief introduction of herself as the Acting Secretary of the State Board, and Interim Director of Real Property Tax Services.

Agenda Item No. I - State Board Administration - Minutes of the January 31, 2023, State Board meeting

On motion of Mr. Rand, seconded by Mr. Becker, Mr. Casella stated that the minutes of the January 31, 2023, Board meeting stand approved and were, hereby, adopted as written.

Agenda Item No. II - State Full Values and Assessment

Mr. Rand asked who will be presenting the resolutions.

Ms. Ingalsbe turned the meeting over to Mr. Martorana.

Optical Communications Group, Inc. (OCG)

Mr. Martorana began by discussing the complaints related to Optical Communications Group, Inc.

The Board Members turned the meeting over to Mr. Morris, the representative for OCG, to speak on their behalf.

The Board Members had questions for both parties, Mr. Martorana and Mr. Morris responded.

Mr. Rand motioned to approve resolution 23-12. Mr. Becker seconded the motion.

Upon the affirmative votes of Messrs. Rand, Casella, and Becker, the Board approved and adopted resolution 23-12.

Liberty Utilities (New York Water) Corp. f/k/a NY American Water Corporation, Inc. (Liberty)

Mr. Martorana began by discussing the complaints related to Liberty Utilities.

The Board Members did not have any questions.

Mr. Becker motioned to approve resolution 23-11. Mr. Casella seconded the motion.

Upon the affirmative votes of Messrs. Rand, Casella, and Becker, the Board approved and adopted resolution 23-11.

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SLIC Network Solutions, Inc.

Mr. Martorana began by discussing the complaints related to SLIC Network Solutions, Inc.

The Board Members did not have any questions.

Mr. Rand motioned to approve resolution 23-13. Mr. Casella seconded the motion.

Upon the affirmative votes of Messrs. Rand, Casella, and Becker, the Board approved and adopted resolution 23-13.

Bayonne Energy Center LLC

Mr. Martorana began by discussing the complaints related to Bayonne Energy Center LLC.

The Board Members did not have any questions.

Mr. Casella motioned to approve resolution 23-15. Mr. Becker seconded the motion.

Upon the affirmative votes of Messrs. Rand, Casella, and Becker, the Board approved and adopted resolution 23-15.

Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (CE).

Mr. Martorana began by discussing the complaints related to Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc.

The Board Members did not have any questions.

Mr. Becker motioned to approve resolution 23-14. Mr. Casella seconded the motion.

Upon the affirmative votes of Messrs. Rand, Casella, and Becker, the Board approved and adopted resolution 23-14.

Transcontinental Gas Pipeline Company

Mr. Martorana stated that the complaint from Transcontinental Gas Pipeline Company was withdrawn. No action was required.

Agenda Item No. III - STAR Exemption Appeals - General Discussion

Ms. Ingalsbe turned the meeting over to Mr. Gerberg.

Mr. Gerberg spoke briefly regarding the general principles of the STAR program.

Mr. Casella made a motion to go into executive session to discuss the STAR appeals. Mr. Becker seconded the motion.

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Agenda Item No. IV - Executive Session - Discussion of Individual STAR Exemption Appeals

Mr. Gerberg explained resolutions 23-16 through 23-24 to the Board in executive session.

Agenda Item No. V - STAR Exemption Appeals - Action on Resolutions

The meeting returned to public session.

Mr. Rand stated resolutions 23-16 through 23-24 had been considered and that a vote could take place and 23-16 would be looked at independently.

Mr. Casella motioned to approve resolution 23-16. Mr. Becker seconded the motion.

Upon the affirmative votes of Messrs. Rand, Casella, and Becker, the Board approved and adopted resolution 23-16.

Mr. Becker motioned to approve resolutions 23-17 through 23-24. Mr. Casella seconded the motion.

Upon the affirmative votes of Messrs. Rand, Casella, and Becker, the Board approved and adopted resolution 23-17 through 23-24.

Mr. Rand thanked everyone and with no further questions or comments, the Board concluded the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Ingalsbe

Acting Secretary of the State Board