

Connecticut Tax Collectors' Association, Executive Board Minutes

West Hartford Town Hall, Room 400

April 18, 2018

Present: Launa Goslee, CCMC, Teresa Babon, CCMC, Helene Lefkowitz, CCMC, Ann Scacco, CCMC, Scott Ferguson, CCMC, Patricia Moio, CCMC, Alan Wilensky, Lisa Madden, Lisa Theroux, CCMC, Pat Crisco, CCMC, Corinne Aldinger, CCMC, Maeci Evans, CCMC, Linda Sheffield, CCMC, Kathy Larkins, CCMC, Rebecca Fuchert Derungs, CCMC, Colleen O'Connor, CCMC, Al Palumbo, CCMC, Lisa Biagiarelli, CCMC, Lisa Theroux, CCMC

President, Lisa Theroux called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.

Secretary's Report: Motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the February 14th Executive Board Meeting as well as the special meeting on March 22nd, was made by Launa Goslee and seconded by Teresa Babon. Motion carried.

Motion to accept both minutes was made by Teresa Babon and seconded by Pat Monahan. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion to waive the reading of the Treasurer's Report was made by Launa Goslee and seconded by Maeci Evans. Motion carried. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Maeci Evans and seconded by Pat Monahan. Motion carried.

New Business

CTx Website: Lisa suggested that changes to the website to be made monthly for general information, including a Q&A for questions that Collectors ask throughout the month.

Aqua Turf Program – May 10, 2018: Ann commented that for future meetings, Bill Donlin would like the May Aqua Turf meeting moved back to the 3rd or 4th week in May, at least for the "even" years. This will allow the Legislative Committee to bring legislators to our meeting for updates since it would not interfere with the short session which ends in the beginning of May. The group agreed that this was a good idea.

Meeting topics for the May meeting were decided upon – social media, DMV updates and legislation updates.

The cost of the meeting was discussed, and the fact that CTx has been absorbing the additional cost of prime rib at the meetings. Teresa Babon made a motion that moving forward, the Association offer a beef choice that falls within budget and allows us to recoup the cost, as opposed to the prime rib. Pat Monahan seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

Old Business:

Bylaws Update: The Audit Committee will have recommendations prepared for the September Board meeting regarding record retention and possible changes to the bylaws (i.e.: allowing officers to serve in the same position for more than one term, as long as the terms are not consecutive).

DMV: Regarding the issue of a fraudulent registration, DMV has agreed to send a letter confirming the fraudulent registration to both the Assessor and the Collector. It is the intent of DMV that this letter will be all that is required in order for the Assessor to delete the account.

Escrow: The next escrow committee meeting will be held in East Hartford on April 26th, 2018.

Certification: Patricia Monahan reported that classes are wrapping up, and that the committee is getting ready for a series of Road Shows, to be held as follows: May 22 – Lebanon; September 18 – Bristol; October 16th – Clinton.

NERTCTA: Lisa Biagiarelli reported on NE Regional. The next conference will be held in August at the Omni Hotel in Providence, RI. Topics will include Cyber Risk, Active Shooter, Federal Regulations and Customer Service.

Maeci Evans made a motion for CTx to place a full page ad and to contribute a basket (to be prepared by Ann), at a cost of \$150 each. Kathy Larkins seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

Scholarships/Financial Aid: This item was discussed as a follow up to Ann Scacco's suggestion (February board meeting) that CTx offer financial aid for those members who want to come to the CTx Conference but don't because they can't afford it. A subcommittee will be established (potentially consisting of Ann Scacco, Pat Crisco, and Launa Goslee) to investigate this option.

Membership List: Pat Crisco reported that she is still working on correcting/updating the complete CTx Membership List.

CCMO Courses: Lisa asked the group if we should send the CCMO courses out on the email tree. After discussion, the majority of the group was against this idea.

Motion to adjourn by Teresa Babon and seconded by Colleen O'Connor at 11:10 a.m. **Motion carried.**

Meeting re-opened at 11:9. Motion to pay \$200 for professional speaker at Aqua Turf made by Teresa Babon and seconded by Pat Monahan. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn made by Teresa Babon and seconded by Colleen O'Connor at 11:09. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Helene J. Lefkowitz
Secretary