

CONNECTICUT TAX COLLECTOR'S ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Aqua Turf Fall Meeting, May 16, 2019

Southington, CT

PRESENT: Lisa Theroux, CCMC, Teresa Babon, CCMC, Alan Wilensky, CCMC, Kathy Larkins, CCMC, Phil Damato, CCMC, Launa Goslee, CCMC, Ann Scacco, CCMC, Peter Juszczynski, CCMC, Rebecca Juchert-Derungs, CCMC, Sarah Brusco, CCMC, Kristin Battistoni, CCMC, Pat Crisco, CCMC, Lisa Madden, CCMC, Lisa Biagiarelli, CCMC, Deborah Heim, CCMC, Patricia Monahan, CCMC, Iris Laurenza, CCMC, David Kluczowski, CCMC, Karen Wieduwilt, CCMC, Stephanie Irving, CCMC, Corrine Aldinger, CCMC, Carla Hammel, CCMC, Paula Usher, CCMC

President Lisa Theroux called the meeting to order at 2:07 pm.

Secretary's Report: Motion to dispense the reading of the Secretary's Report from the April 10, 2019 meeting was made by Patricia Monahan and seconded by Deb Heim. A correction was made by Lisa Theroux to change the date of the next meeting to today, not September 17. Teresa Babon made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected, and it was seconded by Pat Crisco. **Motion carried.**

There was no correspondence to report.

Treasurer's Report: Kathy Larkins presented the Treasurers Report, and concluded that the current balance is about \$95,000. She said they were never billed for the preparation of the tax returns for the previous two years. Carla Hammel asked if anyone else reviews the bank statements. Phil Damato says he does. Ann Scacco made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented, and it was seconded by Patricia Monahan. **Motion Carried.**

New Business:

Notified a Collector was not following Statutes: Someone contacted Lisa Theroux that a Tax Collector was not collecting interest on all accounts, and Lisa asked the Board how she should respond. Alan Wilensky asked who the Enforcement Agency was. Lisa Biagiarelli stated that OPM use to be the enforcer. Alan stated that CTx should not be the enforcer. Pat Monahan will ask Jennifer at OPM if we can institute an Enforcement Agency.

Recognition of Collectors: Lisa Theroux noted that the Assessor's give their Executive Committee members plaques. Lisa said she likes that acknowledgement, for people donate a lot of their time. She asked for everyone to give it some thought and we will discuss at the next meeting.

Old Business:

Legislative Statute Change for who can do Tax Sales: It was too late to change the verbiage to add Attorney's.

Carla Hammel had a list of statutes which should be changed and/or reviewed. There was a motion to discuss a potential Statute Revision Committee by Lisa Biagiarelli and seconded by Carla Hammel.

Carla Hammel made a motion to create a Statute Revision Committee. There was discussion of charging the Legislative Committee to oversee this function. **Motion Failed.**

Rebecca Juchert-Derungs made an amended motion to task the Legislative Committee to be in charge of forming a Statute Revision sub-committee. **Motion Failed.**

Rebecca Juchert-Derungs made a second amended motion to create an Ad-Hoc Committee to review, revise, amend and make recommendations to existing statutes. Ann Scacco seconded the motion. Alan Wilensky opposed, wants permanent committee. **Motion Carried.**

Lisa Biagiarelli made a motion that she and Pat Monahan will be the Directors of the new Ad-Hoc Committee, and that committee membership is open to all. Lisa Theroux seconded. No opposed. **Motion Carried.**

November Aqua Turf meeting – joint with Assessors. There is a planning meeting May 29th: Lisa Theroux has been speaking with Shauna in Cromwell, the President of CAAO. She wants the approach of the joint meeting to be positive & educational. Patricia Monahan says many Assessors are taking tax classes. Lisa Biagiarelli says it's too much at an Aqua Turf meeting, perhaps make it in September? Lisa Theroux said they would have to ask Aqua Turf if they could have the existing function room all day, or if there were two rooms available and then join together. There is a meeting on May 29th at 9:30 am at Southington Town Hall for those interested in planning this meeting. Please let Lisa Theroux know if you plan on attending.

Scholarship/Financial Aid tabled from last meeting: Pat Crisco says there were many different ideas on this. It was suggested that it go through CCMC. Patricia Monahan says that is not a proper function of the CCMC Committee. Lisa Theroux made a motion to stop the Scholarship/Financial Aid discussions for it would not work in this environment. Iris Laurenza seconded the motion. **Motion Carried.**

Update of Review of ByLaws – scanning documents: Lisa Theroux gave Lisa Biagiarelli a USB drive of all documents received. This item is tabled for next meeting.

Cordless Mic – potential purchase – Teresa Babon received a price of \$190 for 4 cordless mic's and a receiver. A lapel mic was \$40 if we wanted one of those as well. It would work with the same receiver. Patricia Monahan made a motion to approve spending \$300 to purchase 4 cordless microphones, 1 lapel microphone and receiver. Carla Hammel inquired about a case. Pat amended her motion to \$350. Alan Wilensky inquired about the quality. Teresa said she was still researching. Pat made a second amendment to her motion, increasing the amount to \$500. Rebecca Juchert-Derungs seconded the motion. **Motion Carried.**

Other Business:

Approved expenditures to be adhered to – Lisa Theroux was concerned about excessive purchases made in year's past. After some discussion, all overspending must be approved by the Board before the invoice is paid.

New Hampshire and Northeast Regional involvement – In the past, CTx has invited the President of NH to attend our conference. This year we voted to have a representative from the Northeast Region instead.

The NH President showed up at this year's conference. Should we continue with both? Iris Laurenza thought it was a nice perk for the CTx President.

Northeast – put an ad in their program? Basket? – Lisa Theroux stated we approved a \$150 full page ad and \$150 for a basket. The ad ended up being \$120. Ann Scacco volunteered to make the basket again. Launa Goslee motioned to approve the spending of \$300 for both a full page ad for the Northeast program book, and basket(s) for their raffle. Phil Damato seconded. **Motion Carried.**

Motion to adjourn by Patricia Monahan and seconded by Pat Crisco at 3:16 pm. **Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa A Madden, CCMC
Acting Secretary