

Rome Township Board - Special Meeting Minutes

9344 Forrister Road Adrian, MI 49221

October 16th, 2023 @ 7:00 PM Posted 10/13/2023

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: Scott Gosselin, Roxann Sweet, Robin Robertson

Not Present: Jeremiah Ruttkofsky, Leo Oswald

Public Comment: None

1. 2448 Southard Road Tax Assessment RM0-129-3280-00:

Phil Schaedler, Twp Atty was present at this meeting to help the Twp Board understand – The property owner had built onto farm buildings which increased the taxable value. No permits were available to confirm specific dates of the additions. The property assessment increased, raising the property taxes. The property owner was displeased and presented his concern to the Board of Review.

*Elise Clark, Assessor appeared at Board of Review and presented evidence of the tax value. None of the evidence was disqualified. The property owner (Renier) appeared without evidence but shared his opinion of what he believes his taxable value should be.

March 2022 Board of review Denied request to decrease property tax assessment.

July 2022 the property owner Appealed to the Tax Tribunal to dispute property taxes.

February 2023 the Tax Tribunal held a Hearing. The result was that the Tax Tribunal agreed with the Rome Township Tax Assessor about the taxable value.

April 2023 the property owner appealed to the State of MI Court of Appeals which will hear this case soon.

Scott made a Motion, 2nd by Roxann to not accept the property owners opinion of what he believes his assessed value should be, as it would not be fair to all other property owners in Rome Township if they are not treated the same by using the Assessor's property values. This Motion is to allow this case to proceed to the MI Court of Appeals.

A Roll Call Vote was held:

Robin called for a Roll Call Vote:

Roxann – Yes, Scott – Yes, Robin – Yes, Jeremiah – not present, Leo – not present

All In Favor – Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned 8:00pm

