

Town of Sumner Board of Review

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Review for the Town of Sumner of Jefferson County shall hold its first meeting on the Thursday, 13th day of September, 2012 from 10:00 AM until adjournment for the purpose of holding hearings at the Town Hall in Busseyville. N1525 Church St. Edgerton, WI 53534.

Please be advised of the following requirements to appear before the Board of Review and procedural requirements if appearing before the Board:

No person shall be allowed to appear before the Board of Review, to testify to the Board by telephone or to contest the amount of any assessment of real or personal property if the person has refused a reasonable written request by certified mail of the Assessor to view such property.

After the first meeting of the Board of Review and before the Board's final adjournment, no person who is scheduled to appear before the Board may contact, or provide information to a member of the Board about the person's objection except at a session of the Board

No person may appear before the Board of Review, testify to the Board by telephone or contest the amount of the assessment unless, at least 48 hours before the first meeting of the Board or at least 48 hours before the objection is heard if the objection is allowed because the person has been granted a waiver of the 48-hour notice of an intent to file a written objection by appearing before the Board during the first two hours of the meeting and showing good cause for failure to meet the 48-hour notice requirement and files a written objection, that the person provides to the clerk of the Board members and, if so, which member will be removed and the person's reasonable estimate of the length of time that the hearing will take.

When appearing before the Board of Review, the person shall specify, in writing, the person's estimate of the value of the land and of the improvements that are the subject of the person's objection and specify the information that the person used to arrive at the estimate.

No person may appear before the Board of Review, testify to the Board by telephone or object to a valuation; if that valuation was made by the Assessor or the Objector using the income method of valuation; unless the person supplies the Assessor all the information about income and expenses, as specified in the manual under Sec. 73.03 (2a), of Wis. Statutes, that the Assessor requests. The Town of Sumner has an ordinance for the confidentiality of information about income and expenses that is provided to the Assessor under this paragraph which provides exceptions for the persons using information in the discharge of duties imposed by law or of the duties of their office or by order of a court. The information that is provided under this paragraph, unless a court determined that it is inaccurate, is not subject to the right of inspection and copying under Section 19.35 (1) of Wis. Statutes.

The Board shall hear upon oath, by telephone, all ill or disabled persons who present to the Board a letter from a physician, surgeon or osteopath that confirms their illness or disability. No other persons may testify by telephone.

Forms of objection to property assessment can be obtained from the Assessor at Open Book or from the Town Clerk at which time an appointment can be made for the Board of Review. Forms of objection must be fully completed before appearing before the Board & at the time appointment is made.

Submitted, Barbara McGann, Clerk Town of Sumner