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May 2014 Report

2013 Board of Review

BOR will meet May 9 to review and approve rule changes for the 2014 Session which will start June 2, 2014. They will also discuss a stipulation proposed on the 2011 and 2012 Property Tax Appeal Board appeal by Mid Illinois Management representative on the former Nursing Home on Union Ave in Litchfield.

2013 &2014 Assessment

County Clerk Leitheiser delivered 2013 Final Abstract to Department April 4. Assessor books have been picked up by all but two of the Assessors. Books are due back June 16. We have begun entry of 2014-2015 changes and will enter assessor changes as soon as books are returned and checked. We have begun the assessment work for the Grisham, Walshville and East Fork MTAD. We are entering property record cards for the new GIS website with help from Mary Purcell.

Exemptions

We have received approximately 2200 of the 2532 2014 senior exemption renewals that were mailed out in January at this time.

Structural Improvement Notification

The worksheet has been added to our office page on the county website and can be printed and returned to the office, we will mail the same to the municipal and township clerks for their use and to give to public. I plan to work with Mike Plunket on an article for the papers to make the public aware of the required Notification.

Miscellaneous

I attended IACO spring Conference in Springfield the Assessor group discussed proposed legislation and changes on farm land assessments. Department of Revenue discussed staff changes in their office, acting Director Joellen Mahr will return to her previous position and Mark Huston will become the new Director of Property Tax Division. We are still working with Bill Purcell on information for the website. There will be two training sessions from Beacon Schneider on the Website May 21.

I have received positive feedback from several people on the new GIS website.

We will continue to work on the site address project as time permits.

I will attend the ICRMT Employment Practices Seminar in Fairview Heights on Monday May 12. I have scheduled myself and all staff for the mandatory training on May 20.

Miles attended training May 1 in Springfield on the changes to the DOR 2012 Cost Schedules I will attend the Training on May 28.

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May 2, 2014