

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF 2020 TENTATIVE ROLL (PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 506 AND 526 OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Assessor for the Town of Wales, County of Erie, has completed the Tentative Roll for the current year and a copy will be on file on May 1, 2020 at the Assessor's Office, Wales Town Hall, 12345 Big Tree Road, Wales Center, NY 14169.

Due to the present COVID-19 crisis and necessary ongoing **social distancing protocols** to protect the public and town staff, the Tentative Assessment Roll cannot be examined in person. However, it will be available online for viewing on the Town's Home Page at www.townofwales.com.

Although the Assessor or Designee is typically in attendance with the Tentative Assessment Roll for certain periods for the public to review it and ask questions, this **will not** be possible this year due to **social distancing**. All inquiries must be made by mail, email, phone, fax, or the Drop Box located by the side door of the Wales Town Hall.

HEARING OF ASSESSMENT COMPLAINTS

The Board of Assessment Review is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, May 26, 2020 between the hours of 2pm to 4pm and 7pm to 9pm, to hear and examine all formal complaints in relation to assessments upon the application of any person believing that they have been aggrieved. Since in-person hearings will not be held while **social distancing protocols** are in effect, it is **imperative that a fully completed RP-524 complaint form with all supporting documentation** be submitted via mail, email, fax, or Drop Box to the Assessor's Office before May 26th to allow sufficient time to prepare for hearings. Once a properly completed complaint form is received, the complainant will be contacted to schedule an optional telephone conference hearing with the Board of Assessment Review. While complaints may be filed until 8:00 pm on May 26th, the Board will not be able to hear them until a later date and time. Complainants will be contacted to schedule this appointment.

Persons who file a complaint have the option to have the Board review their complaint without having a telephone conference. Complainants will have the opportunity to choose this option when contacted to schedule an appointment.

Complaint forms cannot be filed until after May 1st. The complaint form and the publication "Contesting Your Assessment in New York State" are available online at NYS Tax & Finance at www.tax.ny.gov.

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Dated this 1st day of May 2020