

NOTICE OF OPEN BOOK TOWN OF LAKETOWN

Pursuant to Sec. 70.45 WI Statutes, the Town of Laketown assessment roll for the year 2023 assessment will be open for examination on the 19th day of April, 2023, at the Cushing Community Center located in Cushing, WI from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Instructional material about the assessment, on how to file an objection, and about board of review procedures under Wis. Law will be available at that time.

Debbie Tretsven, Clerk
Town of Laketown

NOTICE OF THE BOARD OF REVIEW TOWN OF LAKETOWN

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Review for the Town of Laketown, Polk County, shall hold its first meeting on the 26th day of April, 2023, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Cushing Community Center in Cushing, WI.

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 of Review 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 requirement and files a written objection, that the person provides to the clerk of the Board of Review notice as to whether the person will ask for removal of any 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 objecting 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 that 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 Assessor's manual under Sec. 73.03 (2a) of Wis Statutes, that the Assessor requests. The Town of Laketown has an ordinance for the confidentiality of information about income and expenses that is provided to the Assessor under this paragraph that provides for persons using information in the discharge of duties imposed by law or the duties of their office or by order of a court. The information that is provided under this paragraph, unless a court determines that it is inaccurate, is not subject to the right of inspection and copying under Sec. 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 person may testify by telephone unless the Board, in its discretion, has determined to grant a property owner's or their representative's request to testify under oath by telephone or written statement.

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Tretsven, Clerk
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