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Bradford County Assessment Office

Appeal Procedure

- 1. You must submit your intent to appeal, in writing, to the Assessment Office.
 - a) Interim the written intent to appeal must be received in the Assessment office within 40 days after receiving an assessment change notice in the mail (*These instructions are on the back of the change notice*)
 - b) Open Appeal the written intent to appeal must be submitted to the Assessment Office during the months of July or August and not later than 5PM on September 1st
- 2. You will then be notified in writing, the day and time to appear for the appeal; enclosed will be an appeal form to be completed, and submitted prior to the hearing.
- 3. Prior to the appeal a representative from the assessment office will contact the property owner to schedule a complete inspection of the property.
- 4. You may designate an authorized agent to represent you at the appeal; however, the agent must have a signed letter of empowerment from the property owner.
- 5. Failure to appear at the hearing results in a dismissal of the appeal.
- 6. If you choose to withdraw your appeal you must do so in writing.
- 7. The Board of Assessment hears all appeals. The Board is made up of the 3 Commissioners.
- 8. The Board hears the appeal; within 5 days of hearing the appeal they must make a decision on the value. The value can go up, down, or remain the same.
- 9. You will be notified by mail of the Boards decision and an explanation for the decision.
- 10. If you are not satisfied with the board's decision, you can file an appeal before the Court of Common Pleas; this is done in the Prothonontary's Office. It must be filed within 30 days of the Board of Assessments Appeals decision.