

**TOWNSHIP OF VERONA  
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION No. 2020-**

A motion was made by Councilman Giblin; seconded by Councilman Ryan that the following resolution be adopted:

**AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF ASSESSOR'S TAX APPEALS, ANSWERS,  
COUNTERCLAIMS, APPEALS AND CROSS APPEALS IN TAX MATTERS  
ON BEHALF OF THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA**

**WHEREAS**, statutory tax appeals and other matters and applications affecting the taxation of real property within the Township of Verona are routinely filed with the Essex County Board of Taxation and the Superior Court of New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council finds it to be in the best interest of the citizens of the Township to authorize and direct the Tax Assessor to take any and all action that he/she deems advisable in such tax matters in order to protect, promote and advance the Township's interest in assuring that each property within the Township is fairly and equitably assessed in accordance with the law; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council finds it to be in the best interest of the citizens of the Township to authorize and direct the Township Attorney and/or Special Counsel to assist the Tax Assessor in such tax matters referred to herein;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Verona, County of Essex, State of New Jersey that the Tax Assessor of the Township of Verona be and is hereby authorized and directed to prepare, file, pursue and litigate, if necessary, any Assessor's Tax Appeals, Answers to Tax Appeals, Counterclaims, Appeals and Cross-Appeals in statutory tax appeals and other matters and applications affecting the taxation of real property within the Township of Verona as may be filed with the Essex County Board of Taxation and/or the Superior Court of the State of New Jersey, that the Tax Assessor deems advisable in such tax matters in order to protect, promote and advance the Township's interest in assuring that each property within the Township is fairly and equitably assessed in accordance with the law.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that notwithstanding the foregoing, the Tax Assessor shall provide the Township Manager and the Township Council with a quarterly report detailing all pending tax appeals, and shall be required to obtain the prior approval and consent of the Township Council for the following:

1. The settlement of all non-residential tax appeals
2. The hiring of expert witnesses for purposes other than real property appraisals
3. The Tax Attorney for the Township of Verona be and are hereby authorized and directed to take any and all action said Attorney deems advisable to assist the Tax Assessor of the Township of Verona in such tax matters as are referred to herein
4. The Township Manager, Township Tax Assessor, Township Tax Attorney be and are hereby authorized to take all necessary and appropriate actions to carry out the subject and intent of this Resolution

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES: McGrath, Giblin, Ryan, Roman, McEvoy**

**NAYS:**

**THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA AT THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 6, 2020.**

  
JENNIFER KIERNAN  
MUNICIPAL CLERK

