

GENEVA TOWNSHIP

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To: Petitioners to the 2009 Geneva Township Board of Review

Please fill out ONE PETITION for EACH PARCEL you are protesting.

After filling out your petition, please bring it with you to the Board of Review. You will be called when Board of Review is ready for your appeal. They are working by appointments.

In preparation for your appeal, gather information on other like properties that are comparable to yours so that the Board of Review can also see what you are using as a comparison and it should be like properties. You can do this by driving around and looking at properties that have similar buildings, area, etc.

While you wait, PLEASE organize your evidence and mentally prepare your case. REMEMBER that you are here to PROTEST the State Equalized Value the assessor has on your property and NOT your taxes. Your taxes will be figured on Line # 1 of your "NOTICE of ASSESSMENT" (2009 Taxable Value).

All residential properties in the Township received a minimum 4.4% inflation increase on the Taxable Value in Accordance with State Law.

No decisions will be made at the time of your appeal. The Board of Review will analyze your appeal and compare your State Equalized Value to other like properties to determine if you are fairly assessed. You will received a notice as to the Board's decision within three (3) weeks after the last session of the Board.

If after the Board of Review gives you their decision, and YOU still disagree with that decision, you have the right to appeal to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. The address is on the copy of the petition you will received in the mail from the Board of Review.

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