Dear Bridgewater Township Property Owner,

The Township of Bridgewater continues to conduct its annual reassessment program. As we enter our Seventeenth year, I remind you that the purpose of the reassessment program is to annually reestablish the overall municipal assessment value based upon market analysis. This includes all class of properties; commercial, residential, industrial, etc. As a function of our annual reassessment program the Township of Bridgewater contracts with an accredited appraisal firm to conduct property inspections in order to confirm data accuracy. Having correct data is paramount to valuation accuracy. This is also vital to maintain equity and uniformity. Our goal is to have all assessments reflect as close to true market as possible.

As a State requirement of the reassessment program, each property is inspected (interior and exterior) within a five year cycle. For this year, the Township of Bridgewater has entered into a contract with Appraisal Systems Inc to perform these inspections. Within the next few weeks, a contactless exterior inspection will be performed by an Appraisal Systems Inc. Inspector. The inspectors will be carrying proper identification.

**However due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we are offering 2 options for the interior inspection.**

**Option 1:** physical, on site, pre-arranged inspection with proper social distancing guidelines observed.

**Option 2:** “virtual” inspection via Zoom video conference between an Appraisal Systems inspector, and the property owner/owner’s representative.

**YOU MUST CALL APPRAISAL SYSTEMS INC AT (201) 493-8530 TO SCHEDULE EITHER OPTION AND WITH ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS INTERIOR INSPECTION.**

At any time during the year we welcome you to contact the Assessor’s office to obtain information with regard to your assessment and the reassessment function. If you have questions, or if a situation arises, please contact the office at 908-725-6300 Ext. 5121, and 5125.

Very truly yours,

*Anthony R. DiRado*

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