## TAX APPEALS

The 2016 Southampton Township Tax List has been published and is available for inspection at the Southampton Township municipal building. The revaluation is now concluded with the exception of the appeal process. If property owners wish to file an appeal with the Burlington County Board of Taxation, they must do so by May 1, 2016. Generally, the appeal deadline is April 1<sup>st</sup>; however, the appeal deadline is extended to May 1<sup>st</sup> during a reassessment or revaluation year.

The Petition of Appeal forms are available on the Township website. Property owners are encouraged to carefully read all of the instructions that are attached to the Petition of Appeal. The appeal process is a fairly informal process that provides property owners with an opportunity to show evidence and provide testimony to the Burlington County Board of Taxation. The Southampton Township Tax Assessor encourages property owners who file appeals to arrange a meeting to discuss the appeal prior to the hearing.

Please remember that the valuation date for the revaluation is October 1, 2011. The County Tax Board will not accept sales or listing that occurred after that date. You must submit evidence (comparable sales) at least seven days prior to the hearing date and taxes must be current.

Any property owner who has questions regarding the appeal process should contact the Southampton Township Tax Assessor at 609-859-3235 on Tuesdays between 12:30pm and 4:00 pm, or the Burlington County Board of Taxation at 609-265-5056. The Tax Assessor is also available in Shamong Township on Tuesday evenings from 5:00pm to 8:00 pm 609-268-2377 Ext 5.