

**From the desk of Your Councilwoman,
Lisa Sluberski
Town of Rush, N.Y.**

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Dear Rush Residents,

Recently many Rush residents, including myself, received their updated property assessments in the mail. Although the Town Board appoints the assessor, the local assessor office is controlled by the state. I have personally heard many complaints about the value changes. I share your concerns. I do know that each letter gave instructions on what steps could be taken to challenge your new assessment. Our local assessment office consists of Kevin Quinlan and Deb Curran who are very helpful. They listen and assist every property owner individually and go over all the details. Another source of information is; <http://www.orps.state.ny.us/index.cfm>. This is a state website for information on what to do if you disagree with your assessment. On 2/25/09 the Rush Town Board listened to the assessor explain why there were some dramatic changes. This meeting can be heard on the Rush Democratic Website. You can also listen to workshops recently held for Planned Unit Development and proposed updates to the Sign Law. There will be a public hearing at a later date.

I would again urge you to attend a Town Board, Planning Board or Zoning Board meeting sometime throughout the year. Check the Town's web site at www.townofrush.com for meeting dates, agendas and minutes. I remain the liaison to the Zoning Board and Recreation Department. Be sure to check out the Democratic Committee web page at www.rushdemocrats.org under Multimedia for audio recordings of the town board meetings and many pictures and videos of town events.

This is my fourth year as your representative on the Rush Town Board. It has been a challenge and I have learned a lot. I have decided to run again this fall to continue my service to you. I hope I will have your support this coming November.

If you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact me at Lisa@townofrush.com or my home phone number is 533-1840.

Sincerely,

