

Assessed Value Appeal Process

The first step of appeal is direct contact with the assessor. Many appeals are simply misunderstandings or misinterpretations of facts which can be resolved effectively in the office. Verification of the accuracy of the record card is also important to ensure the parcel is being assessed correctly.

The next step of appeal is to the March Board of Review. The Board of Review is comprised of six members, all of whom are Dearborn Heights residents. Dates, times, and locations for meetings are printed on the annual change of assessment notice. The March Board of Review is the only time during the year in which an owner is able to appeal the value of the property. Appeals in value can heard for the present year only.

Applicants appearing before the March Board of Review are advised to bring information that helps to substantiate claims of over-assessment, such as photographs, appraisals, and/or listings of comparable sales along with a [Board of Review Petition](#). The board begins meeting on the Tuesday following the second Monday of March each year. Notification of the board's decision is provided by mail no later than the first Monday in June.

If you feel you did not receive the desired outcome through the Board of Review, you may proceed to the [Michigan Tax Tribunal \(MTT\)](#). Commercial and industrial properties are not required to appear before the March Board of Review. The MTT is a quasi-judicial body that provides a structured, semi-formal court setting in front of a hearing referee. The deadlines are found on the [Tax Calendar](#).