What's New in Municipal Law? 2025

Introduction 9:00 a.m. - 9:25 a.m.

Ken Woodland

Senior Deputy Commissioner Sean Cronin

New Legislation, Appellate Tax Board Cases and Court Cases

Jim Crowley 9:25 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Brianna Ortiz 10:00 a.m. -10:15 a.m.

Break 10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Ken Woodland 10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Kelly Donato 11:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Home Rule Petitions

John Gannon 11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Lunch 12:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Workshops 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

A. Treasurer and Collection Issues. Discussion of current and recurring issues related to tax titles and updates concerning the same.

Brianna Ortiz Ken Woodland

B. Assessing Administration. Discussion of current and recurring issues related to assessing changes in ownership, exemptions, abatements and quorum issues, and other unique assessment situations.

Jim Crowley Kelly Donato

C. Accounting Issues. Discussion of current and recurring municipal accounting issues related to PFAS funds, staff reimbursement, credit cards and points, prepayment of certain services, energy credits, and charitable endeavors, among others.

John Gannon Deborah Wagner

Seminar Materials and Evaluations

A list containing links to new legislation and cases discussed in the morning session have been posted online. Afternoon workshop materials will be posted online in November 2025.

Evaluations will be emailed to registrants after the virtual seminar. We welcome your comments.

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