

EQUALIZATION & ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

April 9, 2007 – 3:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Hunter; Supervisors Wormuth, Hargrave, Keyrouze, Trottier, Wood; Spencer Hellwig, Mgmt. Analyst; Mark Rider, Co. Attorney; Carol Holley, Joanne Bosley, Real Property Tax; Sam Pitcheralle, Treasurer; Steve Williams, Daily Gazette

Chairman Hunter called the meeting to order.

Mr. Hargrave moved to approve the minutes of the March 12th meeting. Mr. Wood seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Pitcheralle distributed copies of the March 20th Auction Summary. He said there was a high bidder who stopped payment on his bid deposit check of \$775. The second bidder refused, so we turned this over to the County Attorney in order to get the first bid deposit, he said.

Mr. Pitcheralle distributed copies of the summary of parcels sold at the March 20th auction, and he said a **resolution is needed to convey these parcels. Mr. Hargrave moved to convey these auction parcels. Mr. Trottier seconded. Unanimous.**

Mr. Wood moved to convey a parcel in the Village of Round Lake to the Village for \$1,115.46. Mr. Trottier seconded. Unanimous. Mr. Pitcheralle mentioned this is \$104.94 more because this was the amount that was due at the time of auction.

Mr. Rider requested authorization for canceling taxes on a parcel in the Town of Milton. He said normally, homeowners in mobile home parks are not taxed individually. Because some of these people are entitled to exemptions, aged or veterans, the State law requires that the individual be extended the ability to pay their own taxes which will reduce their lot rent, he said. He stated these are suffixed parcels. That number is the number of the whole mobile home park with an added number attributable only to the mobile home. If these individuals do not pay their taxes, we cannot foreclose, he said. Once in a while, these people sell or die, he added. He said the amount of taxes on this parcel is for one year. There was a hiatus between the sale of the mobile home and taxable status date, he said. From time to time, we have to cancel these taxes on these kinds of parcels. Mr. Wood asked what the taxes are, and Mr. Hellwig said \$200.63. **Mrs. Wormuth moved to authorize the cancellation of these taxes. Mr. Trottier seconded. Unanimous.**

Ms. Holley distributed copies of information on the Middle Class STAR Rebate Program as per the enacted 2007 New York State Budget, and she explained how this will work. She mentioned in order to qualify for this, you would have to have received a Basic STAR exemption last year.

On a motion by Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. Wood, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M. Sodemann