

Equalization and Assessment Committee Minutes

November 1, 2010 – 3:00 p.m.

Present: Vice Chairman Hargrave; Supervisors Collyer, M. Johnson and Thompson; Spencer Hellwig, Mgmt. Analyst; Mark Rider, County Attorney; Sam Pitcheralle, Cindy Baker, Treasurer; Carol Holley, Joanne Bosley, Real Property.

Vice Chairman Hargrave called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

On a motion made by Mr. Collyer, seconded by Mrs. Johnson the minutes of the September 21, 2010 meeting were approved unanimously.

Mr. Pitcheralle distributed a list of the successful bidders from the September 21, 2010 auction to all committee members for their review. Nine parcels were sold and two remain unsold, he said. Mr. Pitcheralle requested a resolution to convey the properties to the successful bidders.

A motion was made by Mrs. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Collyer to convey the properties from the September 21, 2010 auction to the successful bidders. Unanimous.

Mr. Rider said there are two parcels that are private roads, Lake Road in the Town of Providence, and Highland Drive in the Town of Malta, that are scheduled to be foreclosed on in November. He said there is a provision in the law whereby the County Attorney can withdraw these properties from the foreclosure and the Board of Supervisors can cancel the taxes on the properties, both current and ongoing, and the land would become a non taxed parcel of land. The current owner would still hold title to the property, but without tax liability. Mr. Rider requested a resolution to withdraw two parcels from the tax auction and to cancel back, current and future taxes on the properties. Mr. Rider said that if the Board of Supervisors wanted to restore the taxes to the properties in the future, they could do so at any time.

A motion was made by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve the removal of Lake Road in the town of Providence and Highland Drive in the Town of Malta from the County Tax auction, and to cancel all back, current and future taxes on the properties. Unanimous.

Mr. Rider said there was a property in the Down of Day that was on the March 2009 auction and the parcel was sold to the first bidder who forfeited the deposit with no second bidder. The parcel was not sold at the September 2009 auction, March 2010 auction or the September 2010 auction. Mr. Rider requested a resolution to cancel the taxes and declare the property worthless.

A motion was made by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve a resolution to cancel taxes on a parcel in the Town of Day (Hollow Road Rear) and declare the property worthless.

Unanimous.

On a motion made by Mr. Collyer, seconded by Mrs. Johnson the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Sansom