

Equalization and Assessment Committee Minutes  
April 7, 2014 – 3:00 p.m.

Present: Chairman Collyer; Supervisors Jenkins, Richardson, Wood, and Sausville; Ryan Moore, Deputy Administrator; Steve Dorsey, County Attorney; Joanne Bosley, Chris Aldrich, Real Property; Press.

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

**On a motion made by Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. Jenkins the minutes of the March 18, 2014 meeting were approved unanimously.**

Mrs. Baker said there were 40 parcels that were eligible for auction with 34 sold and 6 remaining unsold. Profit made was \$401,687.31.

**A motion was made by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Wood to approve the successful bids from the March 2014 County Auction. Unanimous.**

Mrs. Baker said a tender offer has been received by Robert Cutler in the Town of Moreau in the amount of \$10,356.52.

**A motion was made by Mr. Jenkins, seconded by Mr. Richardson to approve a tender offer in the amount of \$10,356.52 from the Cutler Property in the Town of Moreau. Unanimous.**

Mr. Collyer said when it was time for the county auction the County Attorney received documentation that a property was going under bankruptcy. As a result of that bankruptcy, the County Attorney was required to pull the property from the auction list.

Mr. Dorsey said in this particular case the property is in the Town of Northumberland and owned by Ms. Rapp who filed bankruptcy on February 18, 2014. The Chapter 13 bankruptcy Trustee and Counsel for Ms. Rapp have commenced adversary proceedings against the county, seeking to reverse the sale to the county, on the grounds that it was a fraudulent transfer.

Mr. Dorsey said he has negotiations with the Chapter 13 trustee and with the Attorney for Ms. Rapp and there is an agreement that if the county gives the property back, they will agree to a Chapter 13 repayment plan that will pay the county in full, plus penalties and interest.

Mr. Dorsey requested a resolution authorizing conveyance back to Ms. Rapp in order to move forward with the settlement.

**A motion was made by Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. Richardson to authorize the conveyance of a tax acquired parcel in the town of Northumberland in settlement of bankruptcy litigation. Unanimous.**

Mr. O'Connor said in the first quarter report that is approximately \$3,000 in collections and refunds to report. These were mostly due to applied tax credits, and water and sewer charges.

**A motion was made by Mr. Jenkins, seconded by Mr. Wood to approve the Auditor's first quarter report as presented. Unanimous.**

**On a motion made by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Jenkins the meeting was adjourned unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Chris Sansom