

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
COMMISSIONERS AUDITORIUM
SPECIAL MEETING**

MONDAY

11:00 A.M

OCTOBER 9, 2006

Board members present: Chairman David Bowen; Vice-Chairman Alan Crankovich; Commissioner Perry Huston.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Amy Mills, Treasurer; Neil Caulkins, Deputy Prosecutor and two members of the public.

PUBLIC HEARING

RESALE OF TAX TITLE PROPERTY

TREASURER

At approximately 11:00 a.m. **CHAIRMAN BOWEN** opened the continued public hearing (from August 29, 2006) to consider applications for the resale of Tax Title property.

AMY MILLS, TREASURER gave an update and review of the properties. She said she has not tried to contact the people she had intended on since the previous hearing. She said she did not know if it would be proper to negotiate directly with them, and she indicated the Prosecutors office advised her that they did not feel it would be a problem if she did.

COMMISSIONER HUSTON felt by sending out notices to adjoining land owners of the property, it would allow them the opportunity to come in and express their opinions and maybe find out how they claim to own the property.

THOSE PRESENT & TESTIFYING: JEFF CLARK said he received notice from the County relating to property that adjoins his (Parcel #725036 - Map #19-16-10040-0003). He said he was interested in purchasing the property, noting it is blocked because of him owing the surrounding property and the other side that is not blocked by his property, is I-90. **JOHN BROWN** testified relating to property #496233 and said he is an adjacent property owner. He said he does not have access, other than the Town Ditch. He felt Don Rinehart may be interested in the property. The Board reviewed each property with Treasurer Amy Mills.

Property 1 - Amy Mills to make contact.

Property 2 - Amy Mills to make contact.

Property 3 - The Board determined this property was not surplus to the County's needs. **COMMISSIONER HUSTON** asked how we could firm up our ownership in the property. **MR. CAULKINS** suggested doing a Quiet

Title Action, if a Deed could not be found. **COMMISSIONER HUSTON** wanted to ensure it reflected ownership of the General Fund.

Property 4 - The Assessors office has determined a value. **COMMISSIONER HUSTON** suggested the Treasurer's office notify the State Parks & owners of the Springwood Ranch.

Property 5 - Bureau of Land Management felt they owned property. **COMMISSIONER HUSTON** suggested setting up a study session, for them to come in and make a case that they own the property and if needed, the County could Quit Claim their interest. Ms. Mills will contact the Community Development Services department to provide better maps for the Boards review for the study session.

Property 6 - **CHAIRMAN BOWEN** said he had spoke with the Smiths and they felt their property was on the other side, but would contact him after some research.

Property 7 - The Board directed the Treasurer to proceed with the sale.

Property 8 - Need additional contact.

Property 9 - Need additional contact.

Property 10 - The Board determined this property was not surplus to the County's needs.

Property 11 - The Board determined this property was not surplus to County's needs.

COMMISSIONER HUSTON suggested the Treasurer begin drafting a Resolution for the Boards consideration at a later date.

CHAIRMAN BOWEN moved to continue the public hearing to Monday October 23, 2006 at 1:30 p.m. in the Commissioners Auditorium, Room 109, Kittitas County Courthouse. **COMMISSIONER CRANKOVICH** seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

It was noted the Commissioners office would contact the Bureau of Land Management for a study session.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Julie A. Kjorsvik

David B. Bowen, Chairman