

Haywood County "Toeprints"

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What's Happening?

The purpose of this newsletter is to inform Haywood County Taxpayers of what transpires at the bi-monthly County Commission Meetings. This newsletter will be written from the perspective of a casual observer, myself. Any opinions expressed will be mine.

County starting to unload private property.

Guess what I just spotted in the agenda for Monday's County Commission meeting. Under New Business -

3. Request approval of two Haywood County Property Bids and Offers to Purchase – **David Francis**, Tax Administrator:

- a. Parcel Number – 7687-04-4513 – ATTACHMENT 6
- b. Parcel Number – 8608-76-2254 – ATTACHMENT 7

[http://haywoodnc.net/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1511:news-bocag081913&catid=1:latest-news]

What?

The county is starting to unload private property!

Wouldn't you know! This is going to be presented to the commissioners for their approval by the center of our universe of all of our county tax problems, **David Francis**. The commissioners will, of course, pencil whip an approval for these Bids and Offers to Purchase.

I pulled the property vitals from Maps On Line using the PIN numbers provided, checked out the Deeds, and guess what? These were COMMISSIONER'S DEEDS, same as described in my recent newsletter, but this time, the commissioner was **Mark Pinkston, Van Winkle** law firm.

[re: <http://haywoodtp.net/pubTP/T130731.pdf>]

Guess who the lawyer is on the first property (ATTACHMENT 6)? That's right, **Clarence Dickson, III**. Get used to seeing his name.

Guess who is bidding on the second property (ATTACHMENT 7)? That's right, **Gavin Brown**, a lawyer and mayor of Waynesville.

Update! Gavin Brown issued a correction (8/15/2013). He is **not** bidding on this property at all, contrary to ATTACHMENT 7 on the agenda. Rather, he indicated:

"Thanks. Actually I am bidding for a client. They own property across the road. His name is Ken Jacobine. Believe you probably know him.

Gavin A. Brown
Brown & Patten, PA
370 N. Main St., Suite 206
Waynesville, NC 28786
828-452-1454"

The bidder for the first property is:

James C. Wasson
9823 Black Horse Run
Ft. Mill, SC 29707
(803) 548-7190
(850) 865-5424 cell

What are the properties assessed for?

- a. Parcel Number – 7687-04-4513 – \$24,800.00
- b. Parcel Number – 8608-76-2254 – \$31,700.00

How much are they bidding?

- a. Parcel Number – 7687-04-4513 – \$1,500.00
- b. Parcel Number – 8608-76-2254 – \$2,000.00

Wasson is bidding about 6% of the value of the property. Jacobine is bidding about 6% of the value of the property.

The county will approve these bids and receive only \$3,500.00 at Monday's county commission meeting.

Time for Due Diligence again.

You know, I will have to go through the same fire drill again, go down to the Justice Center, pull the case files (10CVD109 and 09CVD1331), and go back and ask **Julie Davis** if she ever bothered to pay off the Affidavits of Publication on these two case files, check back with **Vicki Hyatt** to see if she has anything to say, then I will have to go over to **June Ray**, Clerk of Superior Court, and ask her if she ever bothered to audit these files. [There is an open request for public information pending with **June Ray** for the two properties the county recently purchased to produce the audits she was supposed to have completed, but has not responded.]

Notice for Bidding?

Say, I didn't see the county's notice for bidding for these properties. Was the bidding secret and privy only to folks asked to bid by **David Francis**?

Is the bidding now closed?

Is it too late to bid on these properties?

Unfortunately, **David Francis** appears to have crawled back into his bunker [re: refused to respond to the last set of questions I had asked him], so I suppose we will never know the answers to these questions.

If anyone is interested in picking up some private property from Haywood County at this unloading ceremony, drop on by the County Commission meeting in the Historic Courthouse Monday afternoon at 5:30pm, and make an Upset Bid (if the bidding is not closed).

Think of it as a charity contribution for the county. They only stand to make \$3,500 on the sale of \$56,500.00 worth of property. Surely, we can do better!

Back-to-back Special Editions.

Look for another **Special Edition** of Toeprints with a summary of case files 10CVD109 and 09CVD1331.

“The mystery Blueberry Pie woman”.

This is a teaser for a new short story (non-fiction) by Monroe A. Miller Jr. Look for it soon...

Legend: If any name is in **bold**, it can't be a good thing.
[RINO] Republican In Name Only (i.e. **Kevin Ensley**, **Mitchell Powell**).

[**Editors Note:** Who is **Mitchell Powell**?]

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