

Board of Equalization Hearing
May 17, 2023

Hearing Room
King and Queen Courthouse
King and Queen CH, VA 23085

Members Present:
Plunard Robinson – Chairman
Kerry Basehore – Secretary
John Charbonaeu

Property Owner: **William E. Jessie & John E.**
23-133R-715B

Board informs taxpayer of the purpose of the Board of Equalization.

Taxpayer informs he has hired two different real estate lawyers, one being Roger Harper who is now deceased, and a title searcher out of Saluda in an effort to find this piece of property.

William Jessie states:

Property was originally #715, then was sold several times. He shows board copy of the deeds. He states the county took possession of the property before he purchased it in a land auction. He has spoken to prior county administrator and Mr. Akins regarding this issue.

A Robinson man owned this property, he then sold one acre. In the deed, it was described as being joined to Union Prospect School but there were two other properties in between this property and the Robinson property. Mr. Harper's opinion was that the land does not exist, Robinson sold a piece of land that he did not own.

Mr. Jessie shows board several opinions he has received stating that the property does not exist.

Andy Berry, a title search firm out of Saluda, told Mr. Jessie that he believes his piece of property got absorbed with some of the surrounding pieces of land.

Mr. Jessie requests this property be removed from the tax role. He states the county has garnished his checking account twice for the taxes owed on this property. Mr. Jessie states that the Treasurer will not let this property go delinquent and go back to auction.

Board informs taxpayers that Vivian Seay, County Attorney, is reviewing this property will meet with the taxpayers soon regarding this property.

Mr. Jessie states that if he were to try to sell this property, he would be sued or put in jail.

Kerry Basehore states:

This should be classified as imprecise measurements done when Mr. Robinson tried to sell the one acre.

He agrees with the taxpayers that the property needs to be removed. He stated to the taxpayer that the county attorney, Vivian Seay, should be able to remove it.

Mr. Jessie showed the board a boundary line adjustment done for a Johnson property. He states two surveyors have overlooked this while looking for this property while he has owned it.

Board will wait to meet with Vivian Seay before making a decision on property.