

Board of Equalization Hearing
November 15, 2023

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

Members Present:
Plunard Robinson – Chairman
Kerry Basehore – Secretary
Allan Elliott
John Charboneau

Property Owner: **Stephen J & Debra Long**
23-163L-911A

Mr. Long returns before the Board of Equalization with additional information for his appeal.

Mr. Long contests the grade of the timber. He states his timber is a grade H. Other properties around his have a lower grade on their timber.

Board explains the grade of the property is based on the total acreage and type of the property. This is not to be confused with the value of the timber which is based on the condition and amount of timber.

Mr. Long presents the board with a print off from the county GIS map showing where the timber cannot be cut on his property because equipment cannot get into the wetlands and ravines. He states the Chesapeake Bay Act restricted the timber from being cut in these areas as well. and where there are buildings. He estimates of the 26.5 acres of wooded land, only 18.01 acres of it could be cut. Mr. Long states a portion of the 26.5 acres of wooded land is wetland.

Board reviews, Mr. Long would like the timber to be removed for the shed/garage area and the ravine, not the area of driveway.

The board will have the Commissioner of Revenue review the acreage of the shed/garage and ravine and present to the board at the next meeting, November 29, 2023. Mr. Long will receive a notice in the mail with their decision soon.