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June 1, 2009

City of Rapid City
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300 6th Street
Rapid City, SD 57701

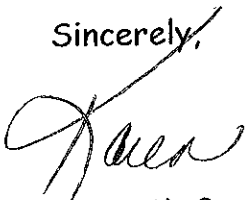
Dear Amber:

Enclosed is an abatement that has been recommended for approval by the Department of Equalization. Please schedule the abatements for consideration by the Rapid City Council as soon as possible.

Per SDCL 10-18-7, failure to return the signed original of the abatement document within thirty (30) days of receipt will be considered as concurrence of the application.

If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Sincerely,



Karen McGregor
Deputy Auditor

Enclosures

REPORT DATE 06/01/09

ABATEMENTS/REFUNDS FOR CITY OF RAPID CITY

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL AS OF 06/01/2009

ID#	NAME	YEAR	AMOUNT	TYPE
8010005	PETERSON, ARDYTH J	2008	80.18	ABATE/REFUND

R/E 1978 MH BURNED ON JULY 1, 2008. ABATEMENT IS FOR 6 MONTHS OF 2008.

APPLICATION FOR ABATEMENT AND/OR REFUND OF PROPERTY TAXES

Board of County Commissioners of PENNINGTON COUNTY, South Dakota

NAME & ADDRESS ARDYTH PETERSON
PO BOX 313, SELBY, SD 57472-0313

LEGAL DESCRIPTION PRAIRIE ACRES MOBILE HOME COURT
LOT 128

ID# 8010005 TAXING DISTRICT 4/D- -RC- Ag/NON Ag /OO NON/OO TAX YEAR 2008

Application for an abatement / refund of taxes is being presented due to the following reason (check application provision) SDCL 10-18-1

An error has been made in any identifying entry or description of the real property, in entering the valuation of the real property or in the extension of the tax, to the injury of the complainant;

Improvements on any real property were considered or included in the valuation of the real property, which did not exist on the real property at the time fixed by law for making the assessment,

The property is exempt from the tax,

The complainant had no taxable interest in the property assessed against the complainant at the time fixed by law for making the assessments;

Taxes have been erroneously paid or error made in noting payment of issuing receipt for the taxes paid;

The same property has been assessed against the complainant more than once in the same year, and the complainant produces satisfactory evidence that the tax for the year has been paid,

A loss occurred because of flood, fire, storm, or other unavoidable casualty, Date and type of Loss

Structures have been removed after the assessment date (upon verification by the director of equalization)
Date structures removed

Applicant, having otherwise qualified for the Assessment Freeze for the Elderly and Disabled, but missed the deadline as prescribed in SDCL 10-6A-4

Applicant, having otherwise qualified for classification of owner—occupied single family dwelling, but missed the deadline as prescribed by law due to temporary duty assignment for the military.

XX Other / Comments This 1978 14X76 Mobile Home, serial # GDMASD40772617 burned July 1, 2008. This abatement is for 6 months of 2008.

(No tax may be abated on any real property which has been sold for taxes, while a tax certificate is outstanding. Any abatement on property within corporate limits of a municipality must be first approved by the governing body of the municipality.)

I hereby apply for an abatement / refund of property taxes
for the above reason(s)

Subscribed and sworn to, before me this

day of

Applicant's Signature

Notary / Auditor / Deputy Auditor

Date received by Pennington County

Received by

Total Valuation 7,383

Date received by Auditor's Office

Valuation Abated 3,692

By

Auditor/Deputy

City Approval (if applicable):

City Name

The contents of the within petition, having been before the governing body of the above named municipality, and having been considered by same, the undersigned hereby certifies that FAVORABLE UNFAVORABLE action was taken thereon at its meeting the day of 2009

Town Clerk/City Finance Officer

READY

MOBILE HOME INFORMATION

SEARCH ON:

08010005
Number

PETERSON
Title Key

00015106
Legal Key

GDMASD40772617
Serial Number

Decal No

Title Holder PETERSON, ARDYTH J
Address PO BOX 313

SELBY

OO
, SD 57472-0313

1978 WxL: 14x 76 14x 76
Yr Title Meas'd
Condition Code.....F
Grade.....V
New / Used.....U
Court/Park Lot....128
Last Decal 2005 002453

GREAT LAKES
Make
Assessment Class....BL
Sr Ctzn Qual Yr...
Mil Exp Dt..00/00/0000
Mil Home State.....
Title Y66254
Platted to.....000000

Model
Cur Full/True... 8,300
Nxt Full/True...
S.R.P.....
Date Sold....07/13/2005
Entered Cnty.12/31/2004
Date Updated. / /

Remarks BL FOR 03, 06 MH BURNED 7-1-08 PT
ARDYTH NEW OWNER IN 06 PT

Lien Holder Key.....PIONRC

Multiple lien holders.....

Lien Holder PIONEER BANK AND TRUST

Prev Owner SCHUT, GLEN OR GLENDA

Contract hldr

Cynthia
718-0978

Abate 6 months 2008
All of 2009
Per Daney
5-26-09

6-8 weeks
after taxes are paid

////////////////////////////////////// PARCEL VALUES //////////////////////////////////////
 Record Key 8010005 PIN #: 20-33-454-007

Grantee Name PETERSON, ARDYTH J
 Legal Description 2N-08E-20 9800-2N-08E SEC 20, UNPLATTED
 1978 GREAT LAKES VIN:GDMASD40772617 PRAI

	08 05/09/08 FACTORED	08 02/29/08 VALUATION	
ON REAL ESTATE			
Tax Exempt Code/%	000 %	000 %	%
Taxing District	4/D- -RC-	4/D- -RC-	
Abstract Code	NDM1	NDM1	
# Exempt AG Struct	0	0	
Freeze Code			
Freeze Value	0	0	
NA Structure	7383	8095	
AG Structure	0	0	
Land Value	0	0	
TOTAL VALUE	7383	8095	
>>> ESTIMATED TAXES >>>>>	160	175	

FIRE INVESTIGATION REPORT

Incident: Structure Fire

Location: 1550 Seger
Rapid City, SD

Fire Incident #: 08-6200

Date: 07/01/08

Alarm Time: 12:41

Investigator: Lt Damon Hartmann ~~SA~~

Fire dispatch called and talked to Captain Behlings asking for a Fire Investigator to respond to 1550 Seger Lot 128 for a shed fire that extended into the trailer house. After loading the appropriate gear into Van 16 I responded to the site. I met with Capt. Gilliland once on scene and was informed the shed had burned to the ground with fire starting to enter the trailer house upon their arrival.

I took some initial photos of the scene prior to meeting with the occupant and the owners daughter.

The owner: Ardyth Peterson
Box 313
Selby, SD

Owner daughter: Pete Schut
2675 Applehill Ln
Rapid City, SD 57703
605-381-1200

The occupant of the trailer: John Graval and his son (Nathan) phone numbers 393-7969 or 399-7022. In talking to the occupants John stated he had left for work at 0500 hrs and Nathan left around 0750 for work as well. Both stated that everything appeared normal to them both when they each left for work. John stated they had cleaned out the shed earlier in the month and all that was basically in the shed was mower parts his son was using to rebuild another mower, the kids bikes and some other odds and ends but no gas or oil was stored in the shed. The mowers had been drained of fuel and oil and were basically used for parts to fix other mowers. John stated they keep the shed locked unless working in it. The only gas can in the area was used to hold water and was in the shed. John stated he did not have insurance.

John stated that he and a neighbor had a falling out due to the kids so the kids were kept from hanging out with each other. John does not feel that due to this falling out that either the mom or son would do anything especially since the son had just had open heart surgery.

Some other neighbors came up to the scene and stated that back in December two other sheds in the trailer court had burned down at Lot 133. They also stated that some other kids in the area had gotten into some trouble in Sturgis, but have not been in trouble at the trailer court.

In talking to the daughter of the owner (Pete Schut) she was leaving town to go back to Selby for a family emergency when she received the call reference the fire, so she responded to the scene.

Pete stayed on scene to see if there was something she could do to help John and to get a hold of her insurance agent. She was on her cell phone off and on the whole time she was on the scene.

I next talked with FMI Bussell who was the first firefighter to enter the structure. Bussell stated as he tried to open the door the carpet was rolled up blocking the door so he had to force the door open. As he entered the hallway to the rear of the trailer he noticed smoke coming from the outlets and switch boxes with fire coming in around the window. As he was proceeding down the hallway he noticed fire coming through the wall under the desk on the north wall. As he entered the back bedroom he noticed smoke and fire coming from around the electrical panel. He closed the bedroom window on the north side to keep the fire and smoke from entering the trailer through the window into the back bedroom as long as possible. Bussell stated that the smoke detector in the back bedroom was sounding but he did not notice any others sounding in the trailer.

I finished my basic interviews and went back to begin digging through the shed as to this is where the fire began as per the Fire Crews on scene report (the Fire Crews stated the shed was burned down and fire was beginning to enter the trailer upon their arrival). I photographed the area as I began and periodically as I worked the scene.

In the investigation I found there was no electricity to the shed, no cooking utensils found in the shed or immediate area (gas grill was next to the front door), no heating equipment was found in the shed, no storms occurred in the area prior to the fire and finding no evidence of the fire being set deliberately I concluded the investigation at this time. I called Station 1 to have the Truck Company to return to the scene to secure the structure from the weather. Truck one placed plastic on the inside wall to keep weather out due to the pieces of metal that would keep from sealing up the trailer, we locked both doors to the structure prior to leaving the scene at which time it was turned over to the owners daughter Pete Schut (who was informed of what I intended to do when I completed my investigation and she stated as long as the structure was locked up that was all that could be done until her Insurance Company could decide on what they wished to do about the structure).

I returned to the office and Truck Company returned to their station.

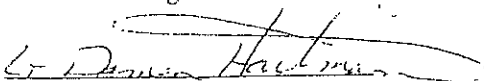
Conclusion:

As stated above I ruled out the fire cause as being electrical, cooking, heating, and natural causes.

I did find a few remnants of bottle rockets in the yard but none in the area of the shed. The residents stated that kids in the neighborhood had been firing fireworks off the last couple of days. No fireworks were set off in the area while I was on the scene, so I am unable to rule out fireworks as well.

At this time the fire will remain undetermined.

This concludes the investigation unless additional information becomes available that warrants further investigation.



Lt. Damon Hartmann
Date of Report: 07/11/08