Office of the Pennington County Auditor

315 Saint Joseph Street #107 Rapid City, SD 57701-2892 Telephone (605) 394-2153 Fax (605) 394-6840

February 18, 2010

City of Rapid City Attn: Amber Sitts 300 6th Street Rapid City, SD 57701

Dear Amber:

Enclosed are abatements on parcels that have been recommended for approval by the Department of Equalization. Please schedule these 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 documents 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,

Liz Kuehn/

Deputy Auditor

Enclosures

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REPORT DATE 02/18/10

ABATEMENTS/REFUNDS FOR CITY OF RAPID CITY

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL AS OF 02/18/2010

ID#	NAME	YEAR	AMOUNT	TYPE
600146	DAKOTA STEEL & SUPPLY COMPANY	2008	95.68	ABATE/REFUND
м/н	1971 14x65 ADRIAN SERIAL# FL2277TE MH WAS OMITTED ON 12/9/09 BY MISTAKE. tHE MOBILE MH SER#FL2277TE	E HOME WAS DESTROYED IN 2	003.	
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56048	JOBSEN FAMILY HOLD,	2009	4,378.88	ABATE/REFUND
R/E	THIS PROPERTY WAS TAXED ON 3 UNITS AND ONLY HAS DIFFERENCE	1 UNIT. ABATEMENT IS FOR	THE	
25927	MANTZEOROS, STATH	2008	54.14	ABATE/REFUND
R/E	STRUCTURE BURNED AND WAS A COMPLETE LOSS. ABATE	MENT IS FOR 2 MONTHS OF 2	008.	
25927	MANTZEOROS, STATH	2009	331.52	ABATE/REFUND
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Board of County Commissioners of PENNINGTON COUNTY, South Dakota

NAME & ADDRESS

DAKOTA STEEL & SUPPLY COMPANY PO BOX 2920, RAPID CITY, SD 57709

LEGAL DESCRIPTION 2N-07E SEC 27, PLATTED LOT 2 OF SW1/4 SW1/4

ID# 2008	3-600146	TAXING DISTRICT	4/DRC-	Ag/NON Ag /OO	NON/OOC	TAX YEAR	2008		
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Town Clerk/City Finance Officer

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NAME & ADDRESS

JOBGEN FAMILY HOLDINGS LLC 2630 DANE LN, RAPID CITY, SD 57701

LEGAL DESCRIPTION NORTHSTAR SUB BLOCK 1 LOT 6

Ag/NON Ag /OO NON/OOC TAX YEAR 2009 TAXING DISTRICT 4/D- -RC-ID# 56048 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, X 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. Other / Comments. This property was taxed on 3 units and only has 1 unit. Abatement is for difference. (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.) Subscribed and sworn to, before me this I hereby apply for an abatement / refund of property taxes for the above reason(s). day of Notary / Auditor / Deputy Auditor Received by Date received by Pennington County 620,566 Total Valuation Date received by Auditor', Audito // Deputy 196,574 Вy Valuation Abated City Name: City Approval (if applicable):

Town Clerk/City Finance Officer

PENNINGTON COUNTY PROPERTY RECORD CARD

GENERALBUILDINGINFORMATION Parcel ID: 21-29-227-001 Tax Year: 2009 Ref#: R9655 Map#: 0056048 Run Date: 2/17/2010 10:43:28 AM

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Page 3 of 4

Building Type: 386 Identical Units:

Blda No:

ECF: Abs Code: NA-DC2

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Grantee Name JOBGEN FAMILY HOLDINGS LLC Legal Description 2N-08E-29 4585-NORTHSTAR SUB BLOCK: 1 LOT 6

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Taxing District	4/DRC-	4/DRC-
Abstract Code	NDC2	NDC2
# Exempt AG Struct	0	0
Freeze Code		4
Freeze Value	O	0
NA Structure NA-DC2	537666	588900
AG Structure	0	0
Land Value NA-DC	82900	90800
TOTAL VALUE	620566	679700
>>> ESTIMATED TAXES >>>>	13824	15141

Board of County Commissioners of PENNINGTON COUNTY, South Dakota

NAME & ADDRESS

STATH MANTZEROROS

915 HALLEY AVE, RAPID CITY, SD 57701

LEGAL DESCRIPTION MILLARD SUB BLOCK 12 LOT 28 - 29

ID#	25927	TAXING DISTRICT	4/DRC-	Ag/NON Ag /OO	NON/OOC	TAX YEAR	2008					
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Town Clerk/City Finance Officer

FIRE INVESTIGATION REPORT

Incident:

Structure Fire

25927

Location:

910 Blaine Ave

20-36-230-007

Fire Incident #:

08-11046

Date:

<11/07/08

Alarm Time:

0321 hrs

Investigator:

Lt. Jack Tomac

I was requested, by A/C Knight, to investigate a structure fire at 910 Blaine Ave. Lt. Broderick accompanied me. On our arrival, we found E-7 crew, ACO Barrows, FF Lipp, and FF Maningas, completing with the overhaul operations. ACO Barrows stated that on their arrival, the family was moving clothing, personal belongings, and valuables to the outside of the structure. They did not have an automobile to which to relocate themselves. E-7 stated that on their arrival, they observed light smoke coming from the room and eaves. The family stated they felt the fire was above the front bedroom ceiling. Access to the attic was gained through a scuttle hole in the hallway corridor outside the bedroom. They found an area above the bedroom ceiling that had active fire burning the cellulous insulation and ceiling joists. The fire was extinguished and the ceiling pulled, moving all the fire debris outside the building. Care was taken not to damage any electrical wiring during the overhaul.

E-7 stated that they did not get an opportunity to interview the tenants. They said they got the primary tenants name, Virginia Janis, DOB 7/25/55, prior to Red Cross taking them to a motel.

I observed a ceiling joist with a three foot section completely burned away. The ends of the remaining member showed signs of having been burned. This particular joist spanned the room, with the missing portion located in the middle of the room. Two adjacent joists, located on either side of the aforementioned were also missing a portion from the middle. I observed a J-box with a light fixture attached as well as associated electrical wiring leading to and from the J-box, hanging from the joists. A closer observation of the wiring revealed several splices, some of which were proper for the time period it was installed. Other splices appeared to be a simple twisting together of the two exposed ends. There was no evidence that the splices were protected, or not protected, in any manner, since the fire likely destroyed any such protection. A relocation of the J-box and light fixture placed its location in the center of the room, near the center of the destroyed joists.

An inspection of the fuse box revealed that 30 AMP Bus type fuses were being utilized. None of those in place appeared to have been blown.

The Red Cross had made arrangements for the family to temporarily reside in the Foothills Inn, 1625 Lacrosse St. Lt Broderick and I interviewed Virginia Janis at the motel at approximately 6:15. She stated that approximately, 8:00 PM, a fuse had blown, leaving the bedroom in the northwest corner of the house without electricity. A check of the area revealed nothing so they replaced the fuse, which blew immediately. Instead of using the last fuse they had, they extended an extension cord from the living room to the bedroom to power the portable electric heater. The heater was originally plugged into a wall outlet on the north wall of the bedroom. She stated that approximately 10:00 PM, her daughter in law was laying in bed in the bedroom without electricity and observed some blue flashes in the area of the ceiling light fixture. She continued saying that approximately 11:00 or 11:30 PM, her grandson commented that he could smell smoke, like burnt wiring. Virginia said she could also smell it, but shrugged it off as someone in the area may have lit a fireplace.

Around 3:00AM, her grandson awoke and felt heat radiating from the ceiling area. He observed an orange glow from around the light fixture. He woke his girlfriend to confirm that it was a fire. They then woke Virginia, who said "everyone needs to get out." After several attempts, she made contact with 911. Since they did not have a vehicle, they went to a shed in the back yard, wrapping the little kids in blankets, until the Red Cross arrived.

Based on our investigation, the probable cause of the fire was an overloaded electrical circuit. The wiring within the room was 12/2 and 14/2 gauge wire. Based on the size of the wire, a 15 or 20 AMP fuse should have been utilized. A television and the electric space heater were plugged into an outlet within the room, which created an extra heavy load on the circuit.

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

Lt. Jack Tomac

Date of Report: 11/7/08

Grantee Name MANTZEOROS, STATH
Legal Description 2N-07E-36 4080-MILLARD BLOCK: 12
LOT 28-29

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Taxing District	4/DRC-	4/DRC-
Abstract Code	ND 1	ND 1
# Exempt AG Struct	0	0
Freeze Code		
Freeze Value	0	. 0
NA Structure NA-D1	14957	16400
AG Structure	0	0
Land Value NA-D	23712	26000
TOTAL VALUE	38669	42400
>>> ESTIMATED TAXES >>>>	841	921

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915 HALLEY AVE, RAPID CITY, SD 57701

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FIRE INVESTIGATION REPORT

Incident:

Structure Fire

25927

Location:

910 Blaine Ave

20-36-230-007

Fire Incident #:

08-11046

Date:

±11/07/08

Alarm Time:

0321 hrs

Investigator:

Lt. Jack Tomac

I was requested, by A/C Knight, to investigate a structure fire at 910 Blaine Ave. Lt. Broderick accompanied me. On our arrival, we found E-7 crew, ACO Barrows, FF Lipp, and FF Maningas, completing with the overhaul operations. ACO Barrows stated that on their arrival, the family was moving clothing, personal belongings, and valuables to the outside of the structure. They did not have an automobile to which to relocate themselves. E-7 stated that on their arrival, they observed light smoke coming from the room and eaves. The family stated they felt the fire was above the front bedroom ceiling. Access to the attic was gained through a scuttle hole in the hallway corridor outside the bedroom. They found an area above the bedroom ceiling that had active fire burning the cellulous insulation and ceiling joists. The fire was extinguished and the ceiling pulled, moving all the fire debris outside the building. Care was taken not to damage any electrical wiring during the overhaul.

E-7 stated that they did not get an opportunity to interview the tenants. They said they got the primary tenants name, Virginia Janis, DOB 7/25/55, prior to Red Cross taking them to a motel.

I observed a ceiling joist with a three foot section completely burned away. The ends of the remaining member showed signs of having been burned. This particular joist spanned the room, with the missing portion located in the middle of the room. Two adjacent joists, located on either side of the aforementioned were also missing a portion from the middle. I observed a J-box with a light fixture attached as well as associated electrical wiring leading to and from the J-box, hanging from the joists. A closer observation of the wiring revealed several splices, some of which were proper for the time period it was installed. Other splices appeared to be a simple twisting together of the two exposed ends. There was no evidence that the splices were protected, or not protected, in any manner, since the fire likely destroyed any such protection. A relocation of the J-box and light fixture placed its location in the center of the room, near the center of the destroyed joists.

An inspection of the fuse box revealed that 30 AMP Bus type fuses were being utilized. None of those in place appeared to have been blown.

The Red Cross had made arrangements for the family to temporarily reside in the Foothills Inn, 1625 Lacrosse St. Lt Broderick and I interviewed Virginia Janis at the motel at approximately 6:15. She stated that approximately, 8:00 PM, a fuse had blown, leaving the bedroom in the northwest corner of the house without electricity. A check of the area revealed nothing so they replaced the fuse, which blew immediately. Instead of using the last fuse they had, they extended an extension cord from the living room to the bedroom to power the portable electric heater. The heater was originally plugged into a wall outlet on the north wall of the bedroom. She stated that approximately 10:00 PM, her daughter in law was laying in bed in the bedroom without electricity and observed some blue flashes in the area of the ceiling light fixture. She continued saying that approximately 11:00 or 11:30 PM, her grandson commented that he could smell smoke, like burnt wiring. Virginia said she could also smell it, but shrugged it off as someone in the area may have lit a fireplace.

Around 3:00AM, her grandson awoke and felt heat radiating from the ceiling area. He observed an orange glow from around the light fixture. He woke his girlfriend to confirm that it was a fire. They then woke Virginia, who said "everyone needs to get out." After several attempts, she made contact with 911. Since they did not have a vehicle, they went to a shed in the back yard, wrapping the little kids in blankets, until the Red Cross arrived.

Based on our investigation, the probable cause of the fire was an overloaded electrical circuit. The wiring within the room was 12/2 and 14/2 gauge wire. Based on the size of the wire, a 15 or 20 AMP fuse should have been utilized. A television and the electric space heater were plugged into an outlet within the room, which created an extra heavy load on the circuit.

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

Lt. Jack Tomac

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