

MaryBeth Greene



December 23, 2013

State Boundary Commission
Office of Land Survey and Remonumentation
P.O. Box 30254
Lansing, MI 48909

Re: Docket #13-AP-1

Dear Boundary Commission Members:

I was at the recent public hearing regarding the Indianfields Township vs. City of Caro and the Indianfields Cemetery. There were several comments made by Township representatives that I did not understand.

The comment that had me totally perplexed was that Indianfields did not have the funding like the City did. It's common sense why they don't. The City tax rate for operations is 16.1643 mills and the Township tax rate is 1.622 mills for operations. The City property owners pay 10 times the taxes as the Township. Yes, Caro has a higher Equalized valuation of \$82,915,200 vs. Indianfields Township of \$56,908,700. Look at the services they could offer if they added 5 or 10 more mills or even go up to the millage the City has.

The other issue that got my attention is the part of the cemetery that Indianfields Township sold to a private individual. From what I could see by the tax maps at the hearing, it was all the same tax number and coded as one parcel. Is it legal to just sell off part of the cemetery to a private party and not go out for bids or a vote of the Citizens? What happened to the funds??

As a taxpayer in both Indianfields Township, as well as the City of Caro, I highly recommend that this parcel not be annexed into the City of Caro.

Thank you,

MaryBeth Greene

Attachment: 2013 Equalized Valuations

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Statement of acreage and valuation in the year 2013 made in accordance with Sections 209.1 - 209.8 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

Township or City	Number of Acres Assessed (Col. 1) Acres Hurdreds	Total Real Property Valuations			Personal Property Valuations			Total Real Property Plus Personal Property	
		Assessed Valuations (Col. 2)	Equalized Valuations (Col. 3)	Assessed Valuations (Col. 4)	Equalized Valuations (Col. 5)	Assessed Valuations (Col. 6)	Equalized Valuations (Col. 7)		
Akron	31,986.00	92,988,200	92,988,200	8,315,200	8,315,200	101,303,400	101,303,400	82,401,603	
Almer	21,491.00	78,726,903	78,726,903	3,674,700	3,674,700	82,401,603	82,401,603	73,354,300	
Arbela	22,321.00	70,921,000	70,921,000	2,433,300	2,433,300	73,354,300	73,354,300	72,384,000	
Columbia	22,680.00	70,221,700	70,221,700	2,162,300	2,162,300	72,384,000	72,384,000	66,897,417	
Dayton	22,915.00	65,425,717	65,425,717	1,471,700	1,471,700	66,897,417	66,897,417	117,240,500	
Denmark	22,338.00	109,852,400	109,852,400	7,388,100	7,388,100	117,240,500	117,240,500	112,047,600	
Eliakand	22,000.00	100,973,100	100,973,100	11,074,500	11,074,500	112,047,600	112,047,600	51,408,800	
Ellington	23,800.00	50,098,000	50,098,000	1,310,800	1,310,800	51,408,800	51,408,800	65,171,650	
Elmwood	22,961.00	62,948,700	62,948,700	2,222,950	2,222,950	65,171,650	65,171,650	72,419,200	
Fairgrove	22,808.00	69,682,400	69,682,400	2,736,800	2,736,800	72,419,200	72,419,200	84,796,700	
Fremont	22,359.00	79,975,300	79,975,300	4,821,400	4,821,400	84,796,700	84,796,700	163,260,400	
Gilford	21,529.00	64,063,500	64,063,500	99,196,900	99,196,900	163,260,400	163,260,400	65,517,000	
Indianfields	19,247.00	56,908,700	56,908,700	8,608,300	8,608,300	65,517,000	65,517,000	67,853,350	
Jumata	22,661.00	56,508,400	56,508,400	11,344,950	11,344,950	67,853,350	67,853,350	48,486,960	
Karleston	22,267.00	46,994,240	46,994,240	1,492,720	1,492,720	48,486,960	48,486,960	48,066,500	
Koylton	22,618.00	46,753,700	46,753,700	1,312,800	1,312,800	48,066,500	48,066,500	120,855,700	
Millington	22,284.00	114,680,300	114,680,300	6,175,400	6,175,400	120,855,700	120,855,700	46,259,439	
Novesta	22,651.00	45,145,331	45,145,331	1,114,108	1,114,108	46,259,439	46,259,439	83,588,550	
Tussocka	20,287.00	79,775,700	79,775,700	3,812,850	3,812,850	83,588,550	83,588,550	81,781,460	
Vassar	22,938.00	77,830,200	77,830,200	3,951,260	3,951,260	81,781,460	81,781,460	61,650,120	
Watertown	22,416.00	57,914,200	57,914,200	3,736,920	3,736,920	61,650,120	61,650,120	51,625,500	
Wells	20,948.00	49,775,500	49,775,500	1,850,000	1,850,000	51,625,500	51,625,500	36,419,540	
W/lsner	11,935.00	35,367,420	35,367,420	1,052,120	1,052,120	36,419,540	36,419,540	44,867,500	
Vassar	1,267.00	38,157,200	38,157,200	6,710,300	6,710,300	44,867,500	44,867,500	102,861,878	
Caro	1,748.00	82,915,200	82,915,200	19,946,678	19,946,678	102,861,878	102,861,878		