



# Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request



**Requested Meeting Date:** January 27, 2026

**Title of Item:** Joel Seibert application to repurchase tax-forfeited property

<input type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONSENT AGENDA	<b>Action Requested:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Approve/Deny Motion <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopt Resolution (attach draft) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold Public Hearing <i>*provide copy of hearing notice that was published</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Direction Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only
<b>Submitted by:</b> Dennis (DJ) Thompson		<b>Department:</b> Land
<b>Presenter (Name and Title):</b>		<b>Estimated Time Needed:</b>
<b>Summary of Issue:</b> <p>S 282.241 allows application to repurchase tax-forfeited property by an owner/heir/mortgagee/representative of heirs of a vested interest in the property at the time of forfeiture, have the privilege to make written application to the Aitkin County Board requesting to be allowed to repurchase this property.</p> <p>Joel Seibert, owner at the time of forfeiture, has made and filed an application with the County Auditor for the repurchase of the hereinafter described parcel of tax-forfeited land:</p> <p>Parcel #59-1-026700 Lot 10, Block 3 of Hesper J. Newells Addition    Sec: 31    Twp: 48    Rge: 23</p> <p>Property will revert to the owner at the time of forfeiture.</p>		
<b>Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:</b>		
<b>Recommended Action/Motion:</b> Adopt resolution allowing repurchase of tax forfeited property.		
<b>Financial Impact:</b> <p><i>Is there a cost associated with this request?</i>    <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><i>What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$</i></p> <p><i>Is this budgeted?</i>    <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input type="checkbox"/> No    <i>Please Explain:</i></p>		

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners of  
Land Department, Aitkin County, Minnesota.

I, the undersigned owner-mortgagee-heir-representative of heirs Joel Seibert, at the  
time of forfeiture of the parcel .... of land situated in the County of Aitkin, State of Minnesota, described as  
follows, to-wit: 59-1-026700

Lot 10 Blk 3 Hesper J. Newells

do hereby make application for the purchase of said parcel... of land from the State of Minnesota, in accordance  
with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.241, as amended.

In support of this application for the repurchase of said land I make the following statement:

(a) That hardship and injustice has resulted because of forfeiture of said land, for the following reasons, to-wit:

My parents live on this property.  
Dad is disabled and mom works two plus  
jobs both senior citizens. They do a lot  
for people in the community. make meals  
for people, buy groceries, diapers for  
those in need. they don't have the  
money to rent elsewhere

(b) That the repurchase of said land by me will promote and best serve the public interest, because  
when mom can finally retire, this  
land will become their retirement  
Fund

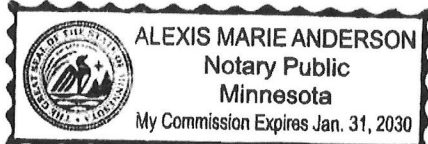
State of Minnesota

County of St. Louis

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 26 day of December, 2025, by

Joel Seibert

Notarial Seal



[Signature]  
Owner-Mortgagee-Heir-Representative of Heirs

[Signature]  
Signature of person taking acknowledgement

Filed in my office this \_\_\_\_\_  
day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
*County Auditor*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Resolution authorizing repurchase adopted*  
this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
*County Auditor*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Repurchase made this \_\_\_\_ day of*  
\_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
*County Auditor*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Certificate of purchase forwarded to*  
*Commissioner of Taxation this \_\_\_\_ day of*  
\_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
*County Auditor*

Individual(s) to Joint Tenants

No delinquent taxes and transfer entered; Certificate of Real Estate Value (X) filed ( ) not required  
 Certificate of Real Estate Value No. 32680

April 21, 2003  
Rick Pearson  
 County Auditor  
 by Indeth Blomberg  
 Deputy

347482

FILED APR 21 '03 AT 9A M

Diane M. Lafferty, County Recorder

STATE DEED TAX DUE HEREON: \$128.70

Date: April 11, 2003

(reserved for recording data)

FOR VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, Howard Lake and Elaine Lake, husband and wife; Lawrence Lake and Decann Lake, husband and wife; Gust Lake, a/k/a Gust W. Lake, and Pat Lake, husband and wife; \*, Grantor(s),  
 (marital status)

hereby convey(s) and warrant(s) to Joel C. Seibert and Rebekah D. Seibert

, Grantees, as joint tenants, real property in Aitkin County, Minnesota, described as follows:  
 \*Doris Cheney and Stan Cheney, wife and husband; Pat Lilya and Leroy Lilya, wife and husband; Edward Lake, a single person; and Gene Lake and Debee Lake, husband and wife

Lots Ten (10), Eleven (11) and Twelve (12), Block Three (3) of "Hesper J. Newell's Addition to Town of McGregor", according to the filed plat thereof

A Well Disclosure Certificate is being filed along with this Deed.

(if more space is needed, continue on back)

together with all hereditaments and appurtenances belonging thereto, subject to the following exceptions:  
 restrictions, reservations and easements of record, if any.

## AITKIN COUNTY DEED TAX

No 89 Date 4-01-03\$128.70 Dollars PaidAffix Deed Tax Stamp Here Howard Lake County TreasurerBy Elaine Lake Deputy

Howard Lake

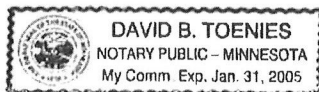
Elaine Lake

STATE OF MINNESOTA

COUNTY OF Hennepin } ss.

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 9th day of April, 2003, 19XX,  
 by Howard Lake and Elaine Lake, husband and wife, Grantor(s).

NOTARIAL STAMP OR SEAL (OR OTHER TITLE OR RANK):



THIS INSTRUMENT WAS DRAFTED BY (NAME AND ADDRESS):

Aitkin County Abstract Company

112 3rd Street N.W.

Aitkin, MN 56431  
218-927-3608

David B. Toenies  
 SIGNATURE OF PERSON TAKING ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Tax Statements for the real property described in this instrument should  
 be sent to (include name and address of Grantee):

Joel Seibert

Rebekah Seibert

97 South Hesper St.  
McGregor, MN 55760

Repurchase Amount		\$	464.92
State Deed(s)		\$	25.00
Forfeiture Process Cost		\$	100.00
Recording		\$	46.00
Deed tax **	0.33%	\$	1.65
Well Certificate		\$	-
Sheriff Cost		\$	40.00
Land Department Cost		\$	200.00
Court Letter Fee-Auditor		\$	6.90
Insurance		\$	-
<b>Repurchase Cost</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>884.47</b>

POSTAL MONEY ORDER



Serial Number

[Redacted Serial Number]

NO OTHER MARKS, SIGNS, OR WORDS TO BE WRITTEN

Post Month Day  
2025-12-31

Pay to the order of  
\$974.00

U.S. Dollars and Cents

Amount

Eight Hundred Eighty Five Dollars and 00/100

\$885.00

Check

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To

Minnesota Land

Dept

Judy Seibert

Pay to

568 Mn Ave

Pay to

999 Hesper

Ashtin Mn 55431

McGregor Mn 55760

Memo

Buy Back

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**Resolution #20260127-xxx Joel Seibert Repurchase**

**WHEREAS**, Joel Seibert was the owner at the time of forfeiture. (Applicant)

**WHEREAS**, the Applicant has made and filed an application with the County Auditor for the repurchase of the hereinafter described parcel of tax-forfeited land, in accordance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.241, of amended, which land is situated in the County of Aitkin, Minnesota and described as follows, to-wit:

Parcel #59-1-026700

Lot 10, Block 3 of Hesper J. Newells Addition    Sec: 31    Twp: 48    Rge: 23

**WHEREAS**, said Applicant has set forth in their application that:

- A. Hardship and injustice has resulted because of forfeiture of said land, for the following reasons, to-wit: My parents live on this property. Dad is disabled and Mom works two plus jobs. Both are senior citizens. They do a lot for people in the community, make meals for people, buy groceries, diapers for those in need. They don't have the money to rent elsewhere.
- B. That the repurchase of said land by me will promote and best serve the public interest because: When Mom can finally retire, this land will become their retirement fund.

**WHEREAS**, the Applicant has made payment of all delinquent taxes of properties.

**WHEREAS**, this board is of the opinion that said application should be granted for such reasons.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the application of Joel Seibert for the purchase of the above-described parcel of tax-forfeited land be and the same is hereby granted and the County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to permit such repurchase according to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 282.241, as amended.

Adopted this 27<sup>th</sup> Day of January, 2026 By The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners.

Attest:

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J. Mark Wedel  
County Board Chair

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David J. Minke, County Administrator  
Clerk to the County Board

**STATE OF MINNESOTA}  
COUNTY OF AITKIN}**