

**PUBLIC AUCTION
February 17, 2006**

Chair Varone called the auction to order at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Tinsley is present. Commissioner Murray was home sick. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Ron Alles-Chief Administrative Officer, Cheryl Green-Supervisor, Delinquent Tax Collector for the County, Roger Thompson-Property Owner, Duane Williams, and Carole Byrnes.

Cheryl Green reported this property is in the Brooke Addition, ½ acre in Lot 12 of Block 180, which is an alley behind 2003 Choteau Street. The property can be accessed from the alleyway between Choteau and 9th Street. In 1991 the county took tax deed to a ½ interest in Lot 12. In 2005 the ½ interest became delinquent so it was put into the tax deed process and the county took the remaining ½ interest in Lot 12. This parcel is part of Mr. Thompson's lawn at the back of his property at 2003 Choteau. According to Ms. Green's photographs, the fence belongs to Mr. Thompson. The Department of Revenue appraised the 25' x 30' lot at 750 square feet. The minimum bid is \$405.00 and includes the delinquent taxes, the legal notice advertisement, and a title search.

Commissioner Varone opened the bidding at \$405.00.

Roger Thompson stated he would like to bid for the \$405.00.

Hearing no other bids this closes the auction. The record will show that Mr. Thompson has purchased the property in question being auctioned today for \$405.00.

There being no other business, the auction adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Anita L. Varone, Chair

ATTEST:

Paulette DeHart, Clerk of the Board