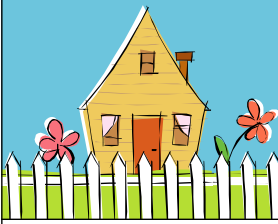


Save Deer Run Newsletter

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TAX BILL ON FORMER GOLF COURSE REMAINS UNPAID

In 2019, the Seminole County Property Appraiser assessed the Country Club at Deer Run an annual tax bill of \$6749.44. The annual property taxes had to be paid on or before April 1, 2020. The LLC owned by Robert Dello Russo, Golf Enterprises of Central Florida Inc., did not pay the taxes before the deadline. As a result, the tax collector sold a tax certificate for the late taxes on June 1, 2020. It is unknown who bought the certificate.

According to the tax collector's website, "Real Estate taxes become delinquent on April 1st of each year. After real estate taxes have become delinquent, they are advertised in a local newspaper and the advertising and collection costs are added proportionately to each delinquent tax bill. On or before June 1st, the Tax Collector must conduct a tax certificate sale for unpaid taxes on each parcel of property. The sale is operated on a competitive bid basis with interest bids beginning at 18% and progressing downward. When a certificate is sold against a piece of property, the successful bidder pays the delinquent taxes on that property and holds a certificate which constitutes a first lien against the property. To redeem the certificate, the owner of the property must pay the Tax Collector the delinquent taxes plus accrued interest, advertising cost, and fees. The Tax Collector will reimburse the certificate holder all monies due and the property will be free of that tax lien. If the tax certificate is not redeemed within two years, the certificate holder may file a tax deed application with the Tax Collector. The property owner is notified of this action and, if the taxes are not paid, the Seminole County Clerk of the Circuit Court(link is external) conducts a public auction and sells the property to the highest bidder."

As of June 22, 2020, the taxes former golf course remain unpaid.



Do not use this information for a title search. Current and historical legal descriptions may differ.

Click on Person/Company Name from the list below for detailed parcel and updated payment status information

Search Options

#	Person / Company Name click on a link below	Address	Parcel Id	Payment Status as of 6/21/2020 * select a link for updated parcel payment detail
1	GOLF ENTERPRISES OF CENTRAL FLA INC	300 DANESWOOD WAY	15-21-30-300-0010-0000	TAXES UNPAID

SEMINOLE COUNTY ASKS FOR INPUT ON PROPOSED CHANGES TO LAND LAWS

Seminole County is in the process of asking for public input about proposed changes to land laws in Seminole County. In June 2020, county staff posted a notice on the county website asking for public input on a presentation entitled "Comprehensive Review and Revision of the Seminole County Land Development Code for Unincorporated Areas." There was supposed to be a public hearing for public comment on the proposed changes, but they changed that from a public hearing to the public emailing county staff with comment/feedback about the proposed changes because of the current global health pandemic.

County staff asked the public to review a PowerPoint Presentation put together by an outside consultant, Canin Associates, entitled "New Approaches to the Seminole County Land Development Code." The PowerPoint contained several vague recommendations that would impact all future land development in Seminole County. It should be noted that while all seven municipalities in Seminole County have their own laws about land development, many of them are influenced by and reflect the county's code. The consultants are proposing changes on requirements regarding buffering standards, parking lot requirements, and compatibility standards between existing and proposed construction. They also want to change Planned Development (PD) laws so that the requirements for percentages of open/green space might be reduced and to avoid for mixed-use zoning that would allow high-density compact in-fill in areas that have existing construction. The deadline to send in public comments via email was June 19, 2020.

Public comments will be collected by county staff in what is labeled as Step One of a Four Step Process. County staff anticipates identifying which part of the code needs to be rewritten, make recommendations for reformatting, and to further the process by September 2020. They anticipate final presentation to be made for approval to the Board of County Commissioners by June 2021.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.seminolecountyfl.gov/news/comprehensive-review-and-revision-of-the-seminole-county-land-development-code-for-unincorporated-areas.stml>

MATT MORGAN DECLARES FOR DISTRICT ONE COMMISSION SEAT

In early June 2020, Longwood Mayor Matt Morgan filed paperwork to join a crowded race for the District One seat on the Seminole County Board of Commissioners. Morgan was a last-minute addition to the race. Current incumbent Bob Dallari and challenger Katrina Garvin Shadix had filed to run for the seat earlier in the spring.

Morgan currently lives in Longwood and was elected to their city commission in 2017. He defeated incumbent City Commissioner Mark Weller for the Longwood District 4 seat in 2017 and became mayor on May 7, 2019. Since Morgan does not currently live in District One, he will have to move into the district. All elected officials

must maintain their home residence in the district from which they are elected even if they serve the county at large.

As both Dallari and Morgan are Republicans, they will face off against each other in the primary election on Tuesday, August 25, 2020. Since Florida is a closed-primary state, only members of the Republican Party will be able to vote in the primary election. The winner of the August primary will face Shadix in the general election that will be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020.

THREE CANDIDATES QUALIFY FOR BCC ELECTION

The deadline for candidates to qualify formally for the Seminole County Board of Commissioners District One seat was Friday, June 12th, 2020. Three candidates qualified to appear on the ballot. Bob Dallari and Matt Morgan will face off in the August primary while the winner of that race will face Katrina Garvin Shadix in November.

Save Deer Run feels this county commission race is a crucial factor that will have significant impact in shaping the future of Deer Run. The county commission is the governing body that will approve or reject any development applications from the owner of the former Country Club at Deer Run. It is also possible that commissioners could vote to purchase the golf course from its current owner to turn it into a

public park.

As a result of these factors, Save Deer Run will be publishing a series of interviews with the candidates for the District One race so our residents can get an idea for which candidate may best represent our PD's future. Invitations to be interviewed by the newsletter were sent to all three candidates who qualified. Thus far, both Matt Morgan and Katrina Shadix have agreed to be interviewed. We plan to publish these interviews in the coming weeks, and we feel confident all the candidates will participate before the August primary.



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Did you know there's a Facebook group where you can discuss matters about the golf course closing? Check us out!

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We're on the Web!

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