

Nolalu Local Services Board Information re Properties to be Forfeited to the Province

*****People, this information is important. Each year properties in the LSB area are lost to the Crown for non-payment of property taxes. These properties are reverted to Crown Land, and so are not eligible to pay the annual levy, and may not be purchased by anyone. Prior to confiscation, if someone had approached the owner, it may have been available for purchase.*****

For some time now, the Nolalu Local Services Board has been concerned about properties in our area for which the owners are not paying their taxes. After a certain number of years of unpaid taxes, the provincial government lists the relevant properties annually in the December issue of the Ontario Gazette, a monthly publication of the provincial government. The properties are listed by Lot and Concession numbers.

If anyone is interested in the purchase of a particular property from the list in the Ontario Gazette, he/she should contact the present owner to make an offer (which would include payment of taxes owing).

Information (Lot and Concession #'s) on the properties in question is available to the public in the December edition of the Ontario Gazette, available for viewing at any Public Library; or the Gazette may be found on-line at: <https://www.ontario.ca/search/ontario-gazette>. Search for properties listed in the Townships of Hardwick, Lismore, Lybster, Marks and Strange.

Information on the identity of owners may be obtained from the Land Registry office in Thunder Bay for the required fee (\$8 per property, we understand). Bring with you the legal description of the property as printed in the Gazette. The Land Registry Office is located in the Provincial Government building at the bottom of Red River Road in Thunder Bay.

The Nolalu Local Services Board hopes that individuals interested in possibly purchasing property in the Nolalu area will take advantage of this process. In this way, property will STAY in the township, rather than disappearing into the "Crown Land" coffers of the government.