

EL-22725

Seneca Scoping Mtg
April 21, 2016

April S. Gerstung
2015 W. Southmor Road
Morris, Illinois 60450
815 942-0822

Re: Docket No. FD 35952

Attention: Mr. David Navecky

Chief Shabbona's 20-acre Reservation lies in Norman Township and it has a proposed train track running right through it!

The Native American Indian's property is in the east half of the southeast fractional quarter of Section 20, Township 33 north of the base line in Range 6 east of the third principal meridian, is on the south bank of the Illinois River between Morris and Seneca in Norman Township of Grundy County, Illinois.

On June 27, 1854, the property was purchased from John and Sarah Bachelor and County Clerk Perry Armstrong, friend of Shabbona omitted this property from the tax books and it was deeded to Chief Shabbona and all his heirs tax-free for eternity.

The handwritten deed recorded in September of 1854 along with the current tax information, which contains the PIN # and legal description are included with this letter.

Also included is page 34 from the 2015 Plat Book of Grundy County, Illinois, sponsored by the Grundy County Farm Bureau that shows Shabbona Reservation.

Because the new plat book celebrates 100 years since it first printing, the Legacy Edition also shows the ownership of land from the 1905 plat book and Shabbona Reservation is again in evidence.

Chief Shabbona became a legendary friend of this areas pioneers and for many of us today, we still honor him for the man he was.

I can't see how one thinks it's a good idea to take land from someone else just because they want it and I really don't think it's a good idea to take land from a Native American Indian and one who actually created a legacy for generations to be proud of.

Signed,

April S. Gerstung


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Tax Information

Tax Bill Name SHABBONA RESERVATION Tax rate 5.360810 Tax Code ... 14003
Billing Address %ARTHUR KLEINFELDT NORMAN TWP SUPP Tax Year 2014 Taxes 0.00
6555 W DUPONT RD
City MORRIS State IL Zip 60450

Permits

Add

Assessments

Events

2016 0 Normal Assessment
2015 0 BOR/E Level
2014 0 BOR/E Level

Lot Information

Type 660 X 1320



Category

EXEMPT

Land Valuation Method

Square Feet/Acres Method

Front Foot Method

Site Method

Base Lot Method

Units 20.00 Influence 0.0000 Width 660.00 Depth 1320.00 Acres 20.00

Classify as Improved Land

Classify as Unimproved Land

Multi-Value Land Summary

Homesite Acre 20.00 Other Acres 0.00 Farm Acres 0.00 Add Total Units 0.00

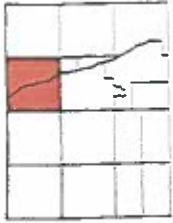
Legal Description:

N20AC E1/2 SE1/4 SEC 20-33-6 BK R PG 315 EXEMPTED 1860 DOCKET #93-32-27



Viewing

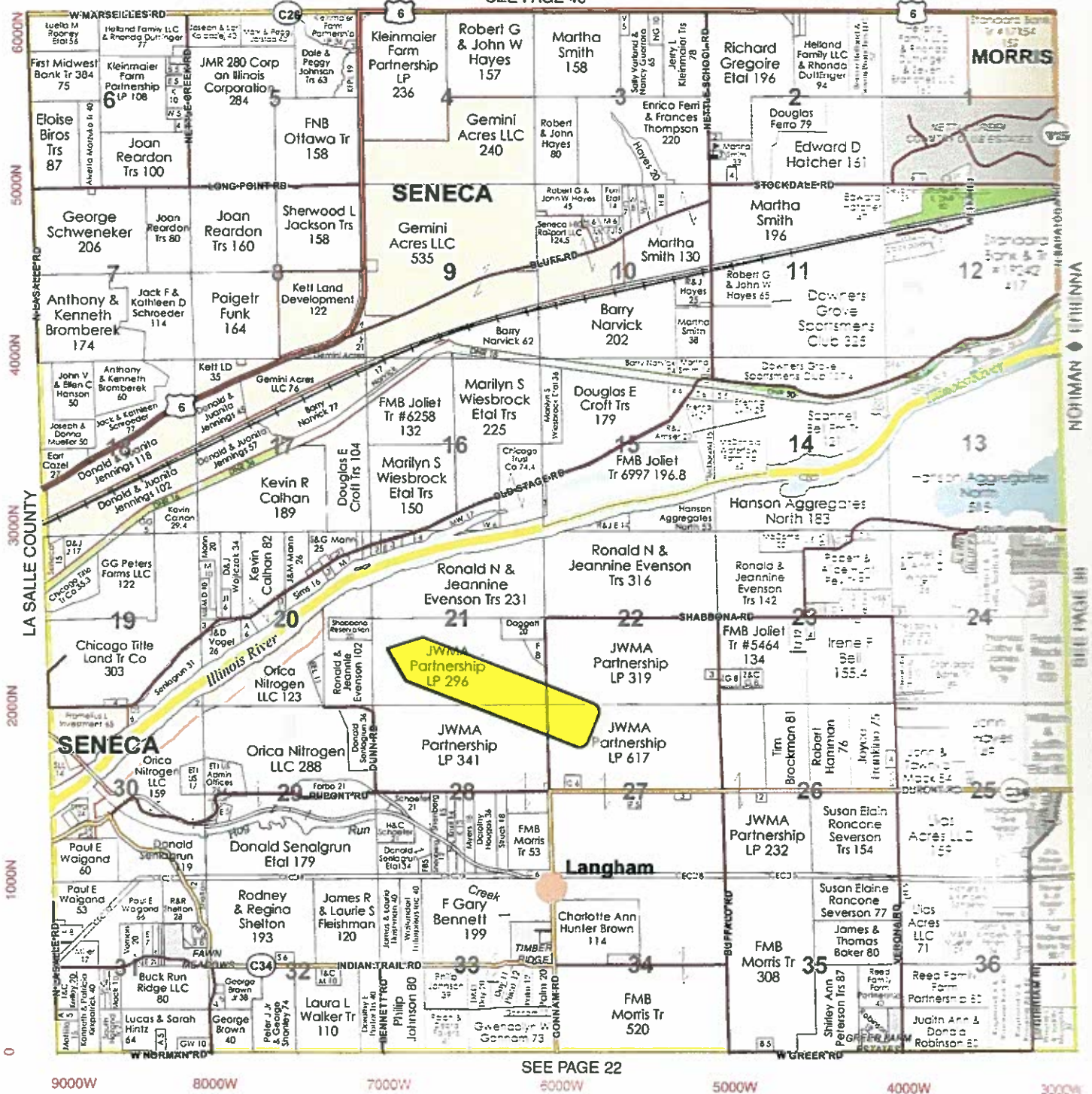




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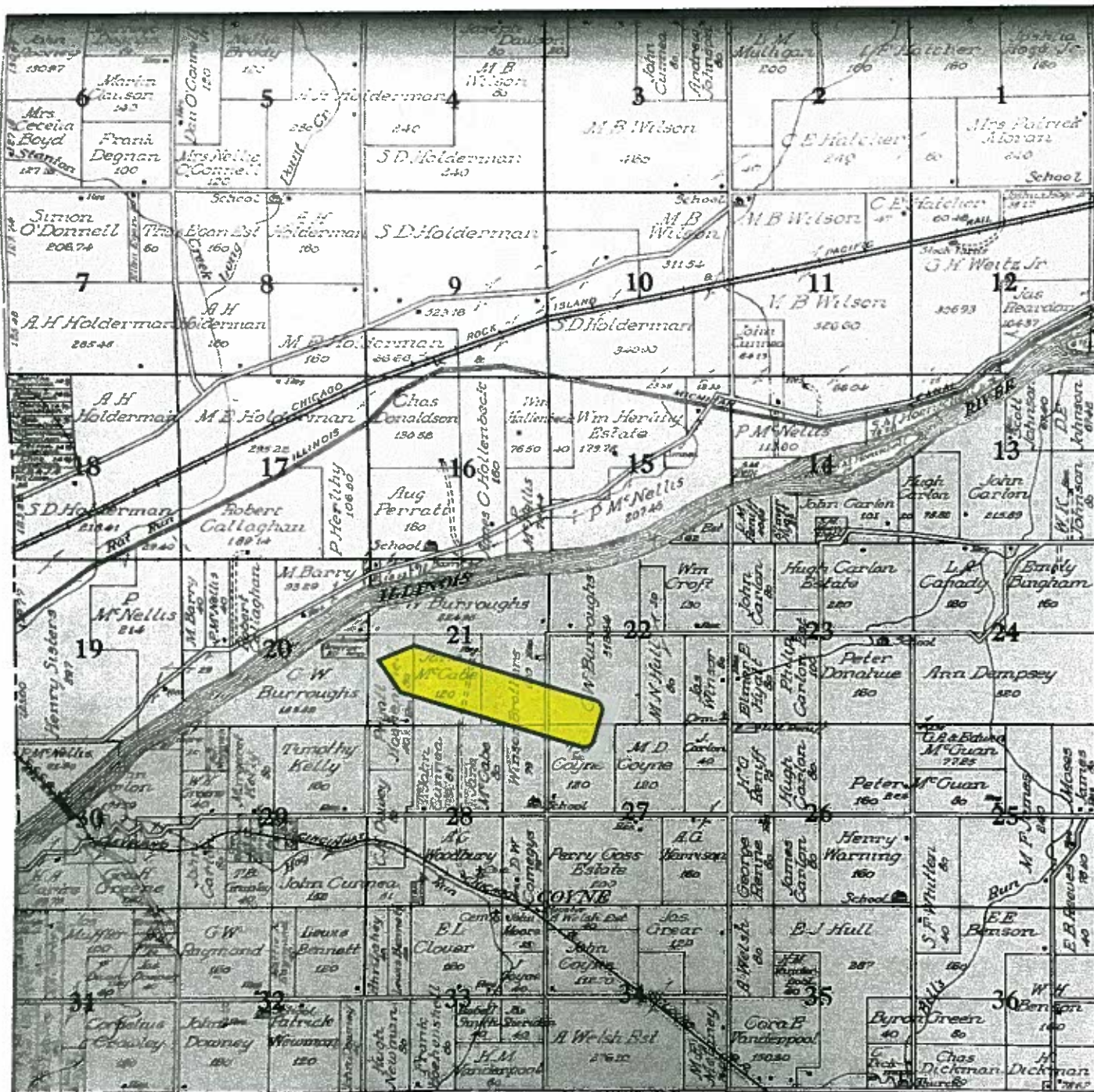
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Landowners as recorded in 1905.



State of Illinois
Macale County

On this 27th day of June 1857.

Personally appeared before me Henry Buckle and me for the Town of Alton in said County John Black for to me personally known to be the person whose name is subscribed to the above deed, at having executed the same and acknowledged that he had freely executed the same for the use and purposes therein expressed. And that at the date of the said John Buckle to me then ally known to be the person whose name is subscribed to the same deed, also appeared before me, and was by me examined separately and apart from the said John Black, who executed the said deed, and acknowledged the same, and in regard thereto, freely and without ambulations of his said hands, and acknowledged that he executed the same, and in regard thereto, is the same and his name is therein mentioned, voluntarily and freely, and without ambulations of his said hands. I was made my hand and seal the day and year aforesaid

Wm. D. B.
Dea.

J. H. Harrison

At Test Copy of the original as filed for Record Sep. 3rd 1857

4th Decr 1857
John. Adams Jr

That John Adams, made this the only second day of September in the year of our Lord a. d. thousand eight hundred and fifty seven (Adams) born (born and died) in the city of Chicago in the County of Cook and State of Illinois part of his first part, and John Adams Junior of the County of Cook in the County of Adams was that after the party of the second part, likewise, that the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of One thousand (1000) Dollars in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is here by

persons or persons lawfully claiming or to claim the whole or any part thereof, the said party, of its first part, shall and will warrant and defend & keep By Writors above, the said party of the first part demand set those lands and seeds, the day on, you first above written

Agnes Skelton and others

in presence of
J. J. Randall

Christina Thomas
Mary Thomas
Deed

State of Illinois
County, County, B.S.

I, J. J. Randall a free man of the State of Illinois, do hereby certify, that Anthony Thomas who is personally known to me as the real person whose name is subscribed to the above deed, appeared before me this day in person, and acknowledged that he executed and delivered the said deed, as his free and voluntary act, for the uses and purposes therein set forth. And the said Mary Thomas wife of the said Anthony Thomas having been by me examined separately and apart and out of the hearing of her husband, and the contents and meaning of the said deed having been by me made known and fully explained to her, acknowledged that she had freely and voluntarily executed the same, and relinquished her dower to the said, and consented therein mentioned, without or without of her said husband and that she does not wish to retract the same. Given under my hand and seal this thirteenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven

J. J. Randall
J.C.P.

A true copy of this original as set out for Record April 11, 1857

3346

John Parceller
Deed
Judge W. C. for Chatham

Attest
This Chatham, made this twenty seventh day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand

ing & furnished and fifty seven dollars John Jacobson and
 Del. and Jacobson the wife of the County of St. John and State
 of Maine part of the first part, and the charge of the Council
 the out of Jacobson's County for the time being and two
 or more in office of the County of Jacobson in the State of
 Maine part of the second part, whereas, that the part
 the of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum
 of five hundred dollars (500) paid, by the said party of the
 second part, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged,
 as by these presents, Grant, Assign, and sell, unto the said
 party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, the following
 described tract or parcel of land, situate in the County of
 Albany and State of Maine, to-wit: Twenty acres of
 the East half of the South East fractional quarter of
 Section No. Twenty (20) Township No. Thirty three (33)
 Range Six (6) East of the Third Principal Meridian,
 situate at the North East corner of said tract &
 the remaining due West. Eighty Rods (80) thence South
 by Rods (40) thence East Eighty Rods (80) thence North
 by Rods (40) to the place of beginning no tract heretofore
 to the following were and purposed to wit: This grant is
 to be held and trust for the use and benefit of Jacobson.
 As soon as the of the Ordinance into and when there
 for me, the said party of the first part, to be employed
 by the said Jacobson and his heirs lawfully. As soon as
 in & all and singular the covenants and stipulations
 the same belonging, or in any way appertaining: to have
 and to hold the said premises as above described, unto
 the aforementioned, unto the said party of the second part,
 his heirs and assigns, forever: And the said John Jacobson
 for his heirs, executors and administrators, with lawful counsel
 to and with the said party of the second part, his heirs and
 assigns, that he so well regard of the premises above conveyed
 as if a good and indefeasible title in the, legally and law-
 fully made to sell and convey the same in manner and form
 as aforesaid; and that they are free from all incumbrances,
 and that the above bargained premises, in the good and
 lawful possession of the said party of the second part, his
 heirs and assigns, against the claim of all persons whomsoever,
 to wit, present, present and absent. This testimony whereof,
 the said part of the first part has hereunto set hand
 and seal this day and year first above written.

Witness, Charles T. Johnson

John Jacobson
 Jacobson