

**REQUEST
2020-209**

From: linda shoren <lindashore296@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 2:50 PM

To: Luzerne County Council Meeting Public Comments <LCCMPC@luzernecounty.org>

Subject: [EXTERNAL]: "Request for Excess funds list"

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Hi, This email is a formal request for a copy of your county's "excess funds list," which I believe is maintained by your department. In case of any confusion, by "excess funds" I mean monies collected when a property is sold at tax sale which are over and above the amount of property taxes/penalties and interest owed. I am only looking for uncollected excess funds on unremembered properties.

The information I would like is the date of the tax sale, name of owner at the time of the tax sale, the tax identification number (sometimes called "Parcel Number" or "Parcel Identifier" or "Folio Number"), either the property address or owner's mailing address, and the amount of surplus funds due the owner. If you have some portion of the above information available I am interested in what you do have available.

If you have these records in electronic format such as PDF, Excel or CSV files, I'd prefer the information that way. Otherwise, please let me know how much a hard copy of your list will be, and where and to whom to mail payment for a hard copy

If you do not maintain a list of excess funds, any advice on how I could collect that information from existing files you have would be very much appreciated!

If I have reached the wrong department, I would very much appreciate this email being forwarded to the correct department, with a carbon copy sent to me.

If there is anything I can do to aid or expedite the process, please let me know, as I'm eager to do whatever I can to make your job easier.

Thanks in advance,

Linda

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RESPONSE

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Dennis, Laura
Mon 12/7/2020 3:05 PM
To:

lindashore296@gmail.com

Dear Ms. Shore,

Your email was sent to me from our County Manager. Please be guided that your request should come through our Right to Know process. For your convenience, these forms are listed on our website at www.luzernecounty.org.

However, since it was forwarded to me, we will waive the formality of proper documentation. Your request is granted. Please note in the future, you can readily access this information through our tax claim bureau. The link is also on our website.

I have included it for you here: [Tax Sale Distributions/Surplus Funds Lists \(luzernecountytaxclaim.com\)](http://luzernecountytaxclaim.com/Tax-Sale-Distributions/Surplus-Funds-Lists)

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Upset Sale (Default Agreements)& Continued Judicial Sale - Thursday April 23rd, 2020 at 10am (POSTPONED - NEW DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED). Judicial Sale - Thursday, August 13th, 2020 at 10am (POSTPONED TO THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2020 AT 10AM). Upset Sale - Thursday, September 24th, 2020 at 10am

luzernecountytaxclaim.com

I hope you find this information helpful. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at the above listed email.

Thank you,

Laura C. Dennis, Esq.

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