



**Bob Bambenek**  
**County Recorder**

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Winona, MN 55987

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March 19, 2024

Gwen Carman, Superintendent  
Lewiston-Altura Public Schools ISD 857

Dear Superintendent Carman;

Enclosed are the following documents in response to your request for documentation regarding the two parcels owned by Independent School District 857 in the Arches Park area in Warren Township:

1. A GIS map highlighting the parcels, 16.000.0770 and 16.000.0790.
2. Recorded Deed Book 236 of Deeds Page 395 for parcel 16.000.0770.
3. Recorded Deed Book 235 of Deeds Page 493-494 for parcel 16.000.0790.
4. Tax Screens for each parcel.

Although the school district does not pay taxes, the tax statements do identify the estimated acreage of each parcel and the County Estimated Market Value. If needed, a surveyor would determine exact acreage and a real estate appraiser familiar with the market could provide an estimated current value of the two parcels.

There is extremely high demand for all land in Winona County and many parties want to buy. I have enclosed the 2023 Winona County Recorder's Office Highlights which provides some detailed information on land sales.

As mentioned in our phone conversation, I will be checking for any additional information the County may have regarding these parcels.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bob".

Bob Bambenek  
Winona County Recorder

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This Indenture, Made this 28th day of March, 1958, between Eldon E. Gremelsbach

of the County of Winona and State of Minnesota, part of the first part, and Independent District No. 857, Lewiston, Minnesota, a corporation under the laws of the State of Minnesota, party of the second part,

Witnesseth, That the said part X of the first part, in consideration of the sum of ONE DOLLAR & OTHER GOOD & VALUABLE CONSIDERATION DOLLARS, to him in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do es hereby Grant, Bargain, Quitclaim, and Convey unto the said party of the second part, its successors and assigns, Forever, all the tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Winona and State of Minnesota, described as follows, to-wit:

The South Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (S 1/2 of NW 1/4 of NE 1/4) of Section Eight (8), Township One Hundred Six (106), North, Range Eight (8), West of the Fifth Principal Meridian.

Parcel # 16.000.0770

To Have and to Hold the Same, Together with all the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, to the said party of the second part, its successors and assigns, Forever.

In Testimony Whereof, The said part X of the first part ha s hereunto set his hand the day and year first above written.

In Presence of

Notary Public: Donald C. Berglund

Notary Public: Eldon E. Gremelsbach

State of Minnesota, County of Winona

On this 28th day of March, 1958, before me, Notary Public Eldon E. Gremelsbach

to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.



Notary Public: Winona County, Minn. My commission expires 19

DOONA M. FERGUSON, Notary Public, Winona County, Minnesota, My Commission Expires Oct. 22, 1963

178608

Doc. No.

QUIT CLAIM DEED

Individual to Corporation

Eldon E. Gremelsbach

TO

Independent District No. 857, Lewiston, Minnesota

Office of Register of Deeds, STATE OF MINNESOTA,

County of WINONA

I hereby certify that the within Deed was filed in this office for record on the 29th day of March, 1958, at 8:30 o'clock A.M., and was duly recorded in Book 236 of Deeds, page 395. Rallie's Deed, Register of Deeds.

By Deputy.

Taxes for the year 1957 on the lands described within paid this 29th day of March, 1958.

Within N. Down County Treasurer.

By Deputy.

Notarized and recorded this day of MAR 29 1958

RICHARD SCHOONOVER, Auditor, WINONA COUNTY, MINN. Deputy.

BOOK 236 PAGE 395

This Indenture, Made this 4th day of December 1957  
between Laura Ellison, formerly Laura Fischer, and William D. Ellison, her husband,

of the County of Winona and State of Minnesota  
parties of the first part, and Independent School District No. 857  
of the County of Winona and State of Minnesota  
party ... of the second part.

Witnesseth, That the said parties of the first part, in consideration of the sum of  
One Dollar and other good and valuable considerations -----  
to ----- in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is  
herby acknowledged, do hereby Grant, Bargain, Sell, and Convey unto the said party  
of the second part, its heirs and assigns, forever, all the tract or parcel of land lying  
and being in the County of Winona and State of Minnesota, described as follows,  
to-wit:

Parcel #

116.000. 0790

The Northwest Quarter (NW $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of the Southeast Quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section  
Eight (8), Township One Hundred Six (106) North, of Range Eight (8), West  
of the Fifth Principal Meridian, Winona County, Minnesota.



To Have and to Hold the Same, Together with all the hereditaments and appurtenances  
thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, to the said party of the second part, its  
heirs and assigns, forever, and the said Laura Ellison, formerly Laura Fischer, and  
William D. Ellison, her husband,  
parties of the first part, for themselves, their heirs, executors and administrators, do  
covenant with the said party of the second part, its heirs and assigns, that they are  
well seized in fee of the lands and premises aforesaid, and have good right to sell and convey the  
same in manner and form aforesaid, and that the same are free from all incumbrances, whatsoever.

And the above bargained and granted lands and premises, in the quiet and peaceable possession of the  
said party of the second part, its heirs and assigns, against all persons lawfully claiming  
or to claim the whole or any part thereof, subject to incumbrances, if any, hereinbefore mentioned, the  
said parties of the first part will Warrant and defend.

In Testimony Whereof, The said parties of the first part have hereunto set their  
hands, the day and year first above written.

In Presence of

Laura Ellison  
William D. Ellison  
William M. Hull  
Bernie D. Hull

State of Minnesota,  
County of WINONA } ss.

On this 6th day of December 19 57 before me,  
Notary Public within and for said County, personally appeared  
a Laura Ellison, formerly Laura Fischer, and William D. Ellison, her husband,

to me known to be the persons described in, and who executed the foregoing instrument,  
and acknowledged that they executed

the same as their (See Note) free act and deed.

(See Note)  
William M. Hilde  
Notary Public Winona County, Minn.  
My commission expires Sept 28 1958

NOTE: The blank lines marked "See Note" are for use when the instrument is executed by an attorney in law.

Minnesota Form No. 1-M  
Doc. No. 177964  
WARRANTY DEED  
Individual or Individual  
Laura Ellison, et mar  
Independent School District No. 857  
Office of Register of Deeds  
State of Minnesota,  
County of WINONA  
I hereby certify that the within Deed  
was filed in this office for record on the  
14th day of December  
1957, at 10:05  
M. and was duly recorded in Book 235  
of Deeds, page 493  
Gollie A. Smith  
Register of Deeds.  
By: Deputy  
Taxes for the year 1956 on the lands  
described within, paid this 14th  
day of December 1957  
Arthur W. Brown  
County Treasurer  
By: Deputy  
Taxes paid and Transfer entered this  
day of  
Taxes paid and Transfer noted  
DEC 14 1957 by Auditor  
RICHARD SEHODZNY  
WINONA COUNTY AUDITOR  
By: Deputy  
Recording Fee \$1.25

Inquiry - General Summary (A)

RCB310M1 RECAP Collection System

R 2024 Mod? R 16,000.0770

Calc thru: 3/19/2024 MP#: 84,000

Taxpayer 3875 Total: 84,000

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DIST. #857

100 COUNTY RD 25

LEWISTON MN 55952

Alternate

Escrow

Prop Address

LEWISTON MN 55952-

T Original

Net Tax

Special Asmt

Tot before P&I

Penalty

Interest

Fees

\*Totals

F2=Tier F14=Legal F16=Notes F17=APINS F19=OtherNames F24=MoreKeys

A=GS B=ASM C=DQ E=TR F=SP H=THST I=PRASC J=COJ P=PA R=ADJ U=CAMA Y=CMP

TMV Deeded acres  
20.00

Dist: 1601 TIF Dist:

Plat:

Sect 08

Twtnshp 106

Range 008

Lot 20

Block AC S1/2 NW1/4 NE1/4 & ONE

Subd: BY PUBLIC RD

EXEMPT - K-12 SCH-PUBLIC

Payments Unpaid Bal

Adj/Chg

Inquiry - General Summary (A)

RCB310M1 RECAP Collection System

R 2024 Mod? R 16,000.0790 Calc thru: 3/19/2024 MP#: Taxpayer 3875 Total: EMV Deeded acres 40.00  
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DIST. #857  
100 COUNTY RD 25  
LEWISTON MN 55952

Alternate  
Escrow  
Dist: 1601 TIF Dist:  
Plat:  
Sect 08 Twnshp 106 Range 008 Lot Block  
40 AC IN NW1/4 SE1/4 Subd:

EXEMPT - K-12 SCH-PUBLIC  
Prop Address  
LEWISTON MN 55952- Original Adj/Chg Payments Unpaid Bal

T Net Tax  
Special Asmt  
Tot before P&I  
Penalty  
Interest  
Fees \*Totals

F2=Tier F14=Legal F16=Notes F17=APINS F19=OtherNames F24=MoreKeys  
A=GS B=ASM C=DQ E=TR F=SP H=THST I=PRASC J=COJ P=PA R=ADJ U=CAMA Y=CMP



Division of Forestry  
Lewiston Forestry Area  
140 N. Fremont Street  
Lewiston, MN 55952

September 15, 2023

Independent School District 857  
100 County Rd 25  
Lewiston, MN 55952

Greetings Neighbor,

Each year the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources' Division of Forestry reforests thousands of acres of forestland. We use a variety of techniques and treatments to establish trees and ensure they survive, grow, and remain healthy. A small percentage of the sites we manage each year are treated with herbicides to control competing vegetation, either to prepare sites for subsequent tree planting or seeding, or to release young seedlings from overtopping trees and brush.

A site near your property will be treated with herbicide to control Japanese Knotweed between the following dates: 9/18/23 and 9/30/2023.

The site is located at the following legal description: E $\frac{1}{2}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  and SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 5 and NW $\frac{1}{4}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 8, all in Township 106, Range 8 west, Warren Township, Winona County.

The treatment will be done using the following equipment: Backpack sprayer and UTV mounted Sprayer.

I have enclosed a project map for your reference.

If you have questions or concerns about the prescribed treatment please feel free to contact the area office at 507-522-5068 or your local DNR Forestry office for more information. Please refer to Garvin Brook Japanese Knotweed Project.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Kevin OBrien'.

Kevin OBrien  
Lewiston Area Silviculturist

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# Garvin Brook Japanese Knotweed Treatment September 2023

 Japanese Knotweed Treatment Area

