



**County of Prince Edward
Board of Supervisors
Agenda Summary**

Meeting Date: June 9, 2009
Item No.: 8
Department: County Administration
Staff Contact: W.W. Bartlett/Sarah Puckett
Issue: PUBLIC HEARING – Elderly & Disabled Tax Relief Ordinance

Summary: The Elderly and Disabled Tax Relief Ordinance Committee, comprising Supervisor Simpson (Chair), Supervisor Wiley, Commissioner of Revenue Beverly Booth, County Attorney Jim Ennis and County Administrator Wade Bartlett met on Monday, May 11, 2009 to review the recommendations of the Commissioner, as had previously been presented to the Board (see attached letter from the Commissioner).

Following a review of the County's current ordinance (copy attached) and a discussion concerning the effect of the reassessment, the Committee concurred that the intent of the ordinance would be significantly impacted if amendments were not made to Section 70-203 (4). The Committee discussed with the Commissioner her recommendations: (1) to increase the fair market value of the owner's dwelling and one acre of land from \$75,000 to \$100,000, and (2) to increase the net combined financial worth of the owner from \$100,000 to \$150,000.

At its May meeting, the Board of Supervisors authorized a Public Hearing for the June Board Meeting to receive public input prior to considering the amendments to the ordinance, as recommended by the Committee.

Attachments:

- a. Public Hearing Notice
- b. Letter of February 12, 2009 from the Commissioner of the Revenue.
- c. The County's current tax relief ordinance showing recommended amendments

Recommendation: Following the Public Hearing, the Board will wish to consider approving amendments to the County's ordinance, which provides tax relief for the elderly and disabled.

Motion _____
Second _____

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McKay _____
Ward _____

Gilfillan _____
Moore _____
Wiley _____

Jones _____
Simpson _____