

SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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**SUBJECT:** Approval of Waiver of Fines and Release of Lien for Hygrade Timber Company, Inc (Staff Recommends Approval).

**REQUESTED ACTION:** Staff Recommends Approval

**Meeting Type:** Regular Meeting

**DATE OF MEETING:** 8/22/2023

**CONTRACT:**  N/A

Vendor/Entity: \_\_\_\_\_

Effective Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Termination Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Managing Division / Dept: **Administrative Services**

**BUDGET IMPACT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**FUNDING SOURCE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Type:** N/A

**EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**HISTORY/FACTS/ISSUES:**

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A code enforcement lien was filed against this property on March 19, 2018, in which the property owner at the time was Hygrade Timber Company, Inc. The property was found to be in compliance on August 3, 2023. Staff costs in the amount of \$4,263.23 have now been paid. Since staff costs were paid, a waiver of the daily fines and a Release of Lien is being requested.

Owner Name – Hygrade Timber Company, Inc  
Property Addresses – CR 523E, Coleman, FL 33521  
Parcel – F35-046  
Original Hearing Date – April 27, 2017  
Date Found In Compliance – August 3, 2023  
Staff Costs Paid - \$4,263.23  
Staff Costs Due - \$0.00  
Total Lien Amount - \$219,900.00  
Total Lien Due - \$219,900.00  
Daily Fine Amount - \$100.00  
Total Amount of Days in Violation – 2,199

Code Compliance ensures property values are maintained by assisting property owners in complying with health, safety, and welfare standards. Periodically, liens are placed on property to support the compliance process. The purpose of the lien is not to generate funds for the county; therefore, once property is brought into compliance, the actual costs incurred by Code Compliance are collected, and the balance of the lien amount is requested to be released.

The lien amount figure is calculated by multiplying the daily fine amount (established by the Special Master) by the total number of days the property remains in violation. Staff costs are calculated by adding the number of inspections performed during the code case, all actual costs of postage, and an administrative cost.

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**ProWriting Aid Check:**