

then let us spread the qualified poll workers through out the county. Currently we now have serious problems getting people to work 12 to 15 hours on Election Day. This would also help control voter fraud making it easier to monitor elections with a continuous purge of voters who have moved or passed away. This would be a cost savings of approximately \$400,000.00 annually. We could have two machines and possibly 3 machines in precincts where we have heavy turnouts.

7. Agencies for Assistance:

It is possible to combine some of these agencies where duplication of service is being rendered. This would eliminate administrative cost and return more monies to the area of need and reduce property taxes. We have at least 4 to 5 different agencies supplying bus service. Theses tremendous combinations of these services have been discussed for years. The State legislators have the power to change the current governing systems.

8. Property Taxes:

It is truly time to eliminate this most abused tax system. The current system penalizes the family who improves or enlarged their homes that increases the property tax while the family who lets their property deteriorate sees their property taxes decrease. This is totally insane because you are decreasing property values of all properties when you allow your house to deteriorate. The State can correct this by eliminating property tax and by having only a land tax, which would be easier to apply and would eliminate 95% of the current discrepancies in assessing. This would allow more people to improve their neighborhoods and reduce the abandoned homes and return them back to the tax rolls. People would have an incentive to improve their homes and at the same time not be penalized with increased property taxes. I'm sure no one would object to a tax on their land. Under the old assessment system we had thousands of homes not paying property taxes. Everyone should pay something especially for fire and police protection.

9. Skilled Jobs:

Lake County has the opportunity to expand its manufacturing base if we establish a reasonable tax base to make it affordable for new corporations to come to Lake County. We have the most available skilled labor force in the States, along with clean water, rail, and highways that would entice new companies into Lake County. Our schools colleges, churches, police, fire departments and park systems are all for the most part, the best.

We still need a world-class trade school to keep our students in school. If all of these programs were to be established, it would benefit the quality of life for every citizen in Lake County.