#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

**KEN MERIDETH** 

COMPLAINANT

CASE NO. 2005-00313

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# WARREN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

# DEFENDANT

#### ORDER

This matter involves the formal complaint of Ken Merideth against Warren County Water District ("Warren District"). Mr. Merideth, the owner of Greenwood Skate Center, alleges that Warren District is engaging in unfair, unlawful, and unreasonable practices by the manner in which it bills Greenwood Skate Center for water service.

The Commission has recently learned that on or about September 1, 2007, Mr. Merideth transferred his ownership interest in Greenwood Skate Center, which is located at 506 Three Springs Road, Bowling Green, Kentucky.<sup>1</sup> As such action would

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ameerah Cetawayo, <u>Skating center gets new owners, some changes</u>, Bowling Dailv Green News. Sep. 1, 2007 at 1 (also found at http://www.bgdailynews.com/articles/2007/09/01/news/news4.txt). A copy of this newspaper article is attached as Exhibit 1 to this Order. The records of the Warren County Property Valuation Administrator confirm that the deed for this property was executed on or about 22 August 2007 and that Mr. Merideth is no longer the property's owner. A copy of this record is attached as Exhibit 2.

eliminate any interest that Mr. Merideth has in this matter,<sup>2</sup> the Commission finds that Mr. Merideth should show cause in writing why this matter should not be dismissed for his lack of standing to proceed with his complaint.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Mr. Merideth shall show cause in writing, within 20 days of the date of this Order, why this matter should not be dismissed for his lack of standing to proceed with his complaint. Failure to respond to this Order within the specified time period will be deemed an admission that the Complainant no longer has standing to proceed.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 17th day of October, 2007.

By the Commission

ATTE Executive Director

<sup>2</sup> KRS 278.260(1) provides:

The commission shall have original jurisdiction over complaints as to rates or service of any utility, and upon a complaint in writing made against any utility by **any person that any rate in which the complainant is directly interested** is unreasonable or unjustly discriminatory, or that any regulation, measurement, practice or act affecting or relating to the service of the utility or any service in connection therewith is unreasonable, unsafe, insufficient or unjustly discriminatory, or that any service is inadequate or cannot be obtained, the commission shall proceed, with or without notice, to make such investigation as it deems necessary or convenient [emphasis added].

As Mr. Merideth no longer has an ownership interest in Greenwood Skate Center, he is not directly interested in the rates that Warren District charges to that business concern.

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#### Skating center gets new owners, some changes

By AMEERAH CETAWAYO, The Daily News, acetawayo@bgdailynews.com

Bowling Green's 28-year-old Greenwood Skate Center on Three Springs Road will soon see a significant facelift and offer lower skating rates after a recent change in ownership.

Manager and part-owner Ken Meredith said he and his partner have sold the 22,500-square-foot facility to David and Cynthia Gillock of Louisville.

"I've decided it was time for a change," Meredith said

Along with the change comes a new name for the center: The Skate Box, according to the new owners.

The Gillocks, who have more than 15 years of experience in the skating industry, recently moved to Bowling Green and were rehabbing the site this week with hopes to reopen at 6 p.m. Wednesday, with a special performance by dancing skate team the Valley Jammers two days later.

The Gillocks are best known for putting Champs, a popular skating center in Louisville, out of business years ago with their location in the Valley Station area, but were recently bought out by Kroger, whose supermarket will soon build on the site

The couple have no immediate plans to add on to the skate center, but David Gillock said customers will notice significant renovations - especially lime green carpet on the walls, which will glow when illuminated.

"We're just going to keep what we got and remodel," he said.

Stall doors will be added to the bathrooms, speed skates will now be a part of the inventory in a new skate room, and added safety features, lights, flat-screen TVs and a new sound system will be installed.

"We're wanting the place to grow with the town," David Gillock said.

As parents of two very young children, the Gillocks said they understand how expensive it can be to entertain a family, and that's why they'll drop the prices.

For example, admission to Friday skate nights previously cost \$11, but are now only \$7, David Gillock said. The night has also been renamed "Crank Dat Music Night" and takes place from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Other themed times, such as Family Fun Night from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday and Hip Hop Night from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday, will cost \$4. Saturday and Sunday family matinee pricing - from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. - is \$5, and "double sessions" - from 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday night, will cost \$7. Parents will skate free on Saturday and Sunday during the matinee sessions, David Gillock said, and every other Sunday of the month is dedicated to the 18-and-over crowd, with those with a college I.D. getting a \$2 discount.

A variety of party plans are also available for customers ranging from \$69.95 to \$144, as well as private parties for \$150 an hour.

The Gillocks have already started contacting local schools to build relationships for school fundraisers, something the skate center has been known for

The Greenwood Skate Center was a wonderful forum to meet the needs of those who were going through hard times, Meredith said, raised more than \$6 million for youth programs and gave away \$50 million in free skate time for youth, civic and church groups.

"When we first started the skating center, birthday parties were primarily in the home," Meredith said. But having birthday parties at the skate center provided longer times for families to savor spending time together.

"People value family time more today because people have less of it," Meredith said "I think it's something that 28 years

ago was taken for granted "



Meredith said Greenwood Skating Center was the 11th built in the area.

"Most of the older parents and grandparents remember the modified tobacco barn that was a skating place at Beech Bend (Park) from the 1940s up until about 10 years ago," Meredith said, adding that other skating centers were previously located in the parking lot of what is now Mariah's Restaurant, the Potter Opera House in downtown Bowling Green and the top floor of what's now 440 Main Restaurant

"This is the first weekend probably in 40 years there has not been active roller skating in the city of Bowling Green."

- For more on The Skate Box, call 843-3394 or visit www.myspace.com/theskatebox.



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## **Property Detail**

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# Tax Year 2008 Tax Year 2007

## Owner

 Name GILLOCK DAVID OWEN & CYNTHIA MARIE
 Taxing District J (County)

 Address 9801 EAST AVE
 Taxing Subdistrict (None)

 LOUISVILLE, KY 40272-3344
 Account # G9962287

# Property #01

Location 506 THREE SPGS RD Map Code 053A-03 -014 Subdivision THREE SPRINGS HOLLOW COMMERCIAL

Residence Specs Commercial Specs Pictures

Fair Cash Value \$1,112,000	Taxing District E (Commercial Annex)	Acres 2 Fire Prot Acres		
Exemption (none) Flag	Taxing <sub>(None)</sub> Subdistrict	Trailer Flag Previous Year R		
Exemption (none) Type	Building Land _ (Building & Code Land)	Code (Reassessment) Previous Action 6/04		
Exemption	Year Code 8S (2008 Sale)	Date		
Amt Ag Exemption	<b>Deed Book/Page</b> # 956 / 436	Previous Action Amt		
Taxable Amt \$1,112,000	Reason Code X	Last Sale Date		
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Flag (Taxable)	Deed Exec Date 8/07			
Tax Exempt Code (none)				

### Last 5 Tax Bill Assessments for this Map Code

Year FCV

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### **Deed History (Partial)**

Book/Page #	Deed Date	Buyer	Seller	Process Date	User Inits
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