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they haven't done a very good job of it. Their employees have grown in the last couple of years. They have two more employees now, less acres to administer, and aren't really aggressively trying to sell this land, as I think it was Senator Bromm and others worked on a bill to require the sale of this. Their selling price has been based on 25 times the average annual...or the annual rent on each tract. And I did write a letter to the executive director over there saying I believe it should be 16 times according to the figures, and have met with some of their board members and never had the courtesy of a reply to my letter as to why they're using 25 times the annual rent and not 16. I've checked with county assessors around the area, my home area, and they're saying, yes, this land is valued at such and such, and 16 times the annual rate is what the assessed value comes out to be approximately. It would appear that they're not adhering to the law, the directive that we gave them to sell this land. So with that, I'm sure there's going to be some people with comments. I hope I've answered the question about whether we have the right, the authority to do this. I believe we do, and I think it's something that we really need to be done...to have done. So with that, I'll relinquish the rest of my time back to the Chair and listen to comments. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Baker. The speaking list is Senator Janssen, followed by Schimek, Wickersham, Engel and Bohlke. Senator Janssen.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor and members. Senator Baker, if I could carry on a little conversation with you about this issue.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Baker.

SENATOR BAKER: Yes, sir.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Senator Baker, who overlooks their budget now? Is...are they accountable to anyone right now?

SENATOR BAKER: Their board, which is an appointed board, I assume is responsible. I'm sure they make...executive secretary employees make recommendations as to what they need, but I believe the board sets their salaries.