Who We Are

- Heather Schwersenska, Register of Deeds
- Michelle Wedde, Deputy
- Brittany Harms, Deputy
- Shawn Kelly, GIS Specialist/Tax Lister
What We Do

- Examine, Record, Index and Maintain:
  - Land Records
  - Certified Survey Maps, Subdivision & Plat maps
  - Federal Tax Liens and Uniform Commercial Codes
  - Vital Records
  - Military Discharge Papers
What We Do

- Advise and assist the public:
  - To record documents
  - To seek legal advise

- Provide the public with copies of recorded documents and filed vital records

- Read and interpret legal descriptions on land records prior to recording

- Verify and cross check the data of new documents with any previously recorded documents
What We Do

- Assist GIS Specialist/Tax Lister
  - Update Tax Rolls (i.e. add all changes, sales, making split parcels)
  - Print Tax Rolls (i.e. assessment rolls and tax statements)
- Maintain Land Sales Book
- Verify New Land Transfers
### Statistical Data

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WRDA featured in WCA Magazine

eRecording on the rise
- Waushara County
  - 2012 – 4.8%
  - 2013 – 13.5%
  - 2014 (YTD) – 19.6%
- Statewide – 59% or 43 out of 72 counties
  - 2011 – 16% of docs were eRecorded
  - 2012 – 21% of docs were eRecorded
  - 2013 – 24% of docs were eRecorded

Wisconsin Realtors Association (WRA)
- Waushara Co: Fewer sales and decreased values
- Statewide: Fewer sales and increased values

AB-592 passed April 8, 2014
- Recordings are down EVERYwhere….
While recordings are down….

- Software Conversion Prep
  - Clean up Accounts, Plats, Codes
- Jerry’s Imaging Project
- Updating & revamping WRDA Handbook
- Back Indexing
  - Cost to Outsource = $.70/document
    - 2013 – 5,000 docs @ .70 = $3,500.00
    - 2014 - 10,869 docs @ .70 = $7,608.30
- Offered to help Shawn & Melanie
Current Projects

- Back Indexing
- Software Conversion
  - Training week of June 16\textsuperscript{th}
  - Go LIVE week of July 7\textsuperscript{th}
- Additional eRecording Vendors
  - Waiting for new software
What has the ROD been up to?

- WRDA
  - Attend Conferences (3 annually)
  - Handbook Committee, Chair
  - Indexing & Forms Committee
- Fidlar Educational Symposium
  - Provides software for 10 different states
  - The Evolution of Notarization
  - Sovereign Citizens
- WRDA President’s Award
  - First newly elected register in history of the award!
Questions and Comments