## Caddo Parish to hold annual online tax sale

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The Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office will host its annual tax sale online at civicsource.com on Tuesday, June 7. The auction opens at 8 a.m. and closes at 8 p.m., subject to a sliding close. Over 1,500 properties are slated for auction. The sale is open to the public, and registration is free.

The auction price is fixed at tax, interest, costs and other impositions due, so instead of competitive price bidding, ownership interest in property is bid down. The winning bid is the least percent ownership bid on any property. Winning bidders receive tax title certificates, an interest-bearing investment returning five percent and one percent per month until paid. If not repaid within three years, the purchaser receives property ownership in the amount equal to percent bid at auction, subject to the taxes being paid.

Delinquent taxpayers have until 5 p.m. on June 6, 2022 to pay any outstanding tax bills. Unpaid taxes will be subject to sale.

"Just because you did not receive a bill does not mean you do not owe taxes," said Dep. Susan Johnson, manager of the CPSO Tax Department. "Sometimes homeowners assume their taxes have been paid by their mortgage company, but it is always a good idea to verify that their taxes are paid each year."

Properties that go through a tax sale incur additional fees. Homestead exemption is also removed due to a sale.

Homeowners may call 318-681-0638 to check if their taxes are paid. Property owners can pay taxes online at caddosheriff.org or in person at the CPSO Tax Office located inside the Caddo Courthouse, 501 Texas St. - Room 101 in Shreveport. Taxes may be paid in cash or using a credit card, cashier's check or money order. Personal checks are not accepted.

For more information on the Louisiana tax title sale process or to view upcoming auctions and a complete listing of properties slated for the 2022 tax sale, visit civicsource.com.