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## NEWS RELEASE

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### OPEN HOUSE FOR TAX FORECLOSED HOUSE

West Olive, Michigan -- From Ottawa County Treasurer, Bradley Slagh

The Ottawa County Treasurer announced that he will be holding a July 15, 2014 Open House at 14994 Bignell Drive, Grand Haven, MI 49417 for this tax foreclosed property. Hours of the open house are 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM.

“This is the first time that we have offered an open house for one of our properties. This particular house has a prime location, nice features, and is unoccupied, this is the first time that all of those factors have come together in one of our tax foreclosures” said Slagh.

The house at 14994 Bignell Drive has frontage on Millhouse Bayou off of the Grand River and has 5 bedrooms, 3 full bathrooms and a built in greenhouse. The home has been unoccupied for approximately 5 years and all of the utilities are shut off, so people who are interested in walking through should plan to bring a flashlight to be able to see into all of the rooms in the basement.

“This home, along with the other 18 properties that were foreclosed on this year because the 2011 property taxes were not paid will be offered for sale at a “minimum bid” public auction on August 16, 2014 at the Ottawa County Fillmore Complex. The starting auction price for each parcel begins at the amount of taxes, interest, fees and costs that have accrued for each parcel,” said Slagh. A list of all the tax foreclosed parcels and further information including pictures for each parcel can be obtained by starting at the following web site <http://www.miottawa.org/Departments/Treasurer/foreclosure.htm> then following the links from there. Also on that same web page are links that describe the public auction and provide details on what is required to be a bidder and the payment terms for the property by the winning bidder.

The County Treasurer will be on site at the Open House July 15, and will be available to answer questions; on this home, the delinquent tax process or on help available to those struggling to pay their property taxes.

For more information regarding delinquent property taxes visit the Ottawa County Treasurer’s website at <http://www.miottawa.org/Departments/Treasurer/> or call the Office at (616) 994-4501.