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Frank W. Volk, Chief Judge United States Bankruptcy Court

#### IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA

In Re:

THOMAS PHILLIP REYNOLDS ANGELA FAYE REYNOLDS Case No: 14-50061 Chapter 11

Southern District of West Virginia

**Debtors-in-Possession.** 

ORDER APPROVING SALE OF 78 ACRES OF REAL ESTATE LOCATED AT U.S. 219 NORTH, LEWISBURG, WEST VIRGINIA, FREE AND CLEAR OF ALL LIENS, CLAIMS, ENCUMBRANCES, AND INTERESTS, APPROVING BROKER COMMISSION, AND AUTHORIZING DISTRIBUTION OF SALE PROCEEDS

Pending is the motion of the Debtors to Sell 78 Acres of Real Estate Located at U.S. 219

North, Lewisburg, West Virginia, Free and Clear of all Liens, Claims, Encumbrances, and

Interests, Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 363(b), (f) and § 105 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002 and 6004 (the "Sale Motion"). The Sale Motion and Notice of Sale have been served on all parties in interest.

The Court having considered the motion does accordingly find that:

- 1. This Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C.§§157 and 1334.
- 2. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2).
- 3. Layton Hanna, Gary Canterbury, Nathan Hersman, and Ethan Reynolds or their assigns, the purchasers (the "Purchasers"), are good faith purchasers pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 363(m).

- 4. The Debtors have reasonably exercised sound business judgment in deciding to enter into the agreement and to sell and transfer the 78 Acres as described in the Sale Motion as Lewisburg Corp. Tax District, Map 6, Parcels: 0012 0000 0000, 0013 0000 6001, 0013 0000 6002, 0013 0000 6003, 0013 0000 6004 ("Property"). The relief requested in the Sale Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors' estate, the Debtors' creditors, and other parties in interest.
- 5. The Sale was non-collusive, fair and reasonable, conducted in good faith and resulted in the Debtors obtaining the highest value for the Property. The consideration to be paid by Purchasers to the Debtors and claimants pursuant to the Purchase Agreements is fair and adequate and constitutes reasonably equivalent value and fair consideration under the Bankruptcy Code and under the laws of the United States, any state, territory, possession, and the District of Columbia.
- 6. The Notice of the motion is approved as proper and adequate under the circumstances
- 7. A reasonable opportunity to object or be heard with respect to the Sale Motion and relief requested therein, and the rights of third parties to submit higher or otherwise better offers for the Property has been afforded to all parties-in-interest.
- 8. The Purchasers would not have agreed to the sale and would not consummate the transactions contemplated thereby if the sale of the Property to the Purchasers was not free and clear of liens as set forth in the Sale Motion. With respect to any and all entities holding a Liability or with an encumbrance against the Property, either (i) such entity consented to the sale with the liability or encumbrance attaching to the proceeds of such sale, (ii) applicable

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nonbankruptcy law permits the sale free and clear of such liability or encumbrance, (iii) such liability or encumbrance is in bona fide dispute, or (iv) such entity could be compelled to accept a money satisfaction of such liability or encumbrance, so that the conditions of 11 U.S.C. § 363(f) have been met.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED that:

- A. The Sale Motion is GRANTED. All objections to the Sale Motion or the relief requested therein that have not been withdrawn, waived or settled are hereby overruled on the merits for the reason set forth on the record and as set forth herein.
- B. All persons and entities are hereby forever prohibited and enjoined from taking any action that would adversely affect or interfere with the Debtors' ability to sell and transfer the Property to the Purchasers in accordance with the terms of the Purchase Agreements and this Order.
- C. Pursuant to the provisions of 11 U.S.C. §§ 105 and 363, the Debtors are authorized empowered and directed to implement and consummate all of the transactions (the "Sale") with the Purchasers and to sell the Property to Purchasers for the sum of \$1,166,000.
- D. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 363(f) and this Court's general equitable powers under 11 U.S.C. § 105(a), upon the Closing of the Sale, Purchasers will take title to and possession of the Property. The transfer of the Property will be free and clear of any and all liens, claims, liabilities, interests and encumbrances whatsoever, whether contingent, unliquidated, unmatured or otherwise, and whether of or against the Debtors, the Purchasers, or the Property. However, the sale is subject to compromise and payment of liens and claims against the estates of W.T. Reynolds and Sybil Reynolds. All such liens, claims, liabilities, interests and encumbrances will

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attach solely to the proceeds of the Sale with the same validity and priority as they attached to the applicable Property.

- E. The Debtors have established sound business justifications in support of the Sale. After considering the circumstances of this case, the Court determines that the purchase price presents the best opportunity for the Debtors' estate to realize the highest distribution possible to all creditors. The Debtors' Purchase Price, as approved herein, is the highest and best offer for the Property. The Debtors' Purchase Price constitutes full and adequate consideration and reasonably equivalent value for the Property. The transfer of the Property on the Closing to Purchasers for the Debtors' Purchase Price is in the best interest of the Debtors' estate, the Debtors' creditors and all parties-in-interest.
- F. The transaction contemplated in the Sale Motion, as approved and implemented herein, are in compliance with and satisfy all applicable provisions, including but not limited to 11 U.S.C. §§ 363(b), (f) and (m). The terms and conditions of the sale of the Property are fair and reasonable.
- G. Purchasers are third-party purchasers unrelated to the Debtors, with the exception of Ethan Reynolds who is the son of the Debtors, and the terms of Purchasers' purchase of the Property as set forth in the Purchase Agreements are fair and reasonable under the circumstances of this case.
- H. The transfer of the Property to Purchasers represents an arms' length transaction and has been negotiated in good faith between the parties. Purchasers, as transferee of Property, are good faith purchasers within the meaning of 11 U.S.C. § 363(m). Purchasers have proceeded in good faith in all respect in connection with this proceeding.

- I. Subject to the fulfillment of the terms and conditions of the Purchase Agreements, at the Closing the Debtors will sell, transfer, assign and convey to the Purchasers and/or their assigns all of the Debtors' rights, title and interest in, to and under the Property. The Debtors are authorized, empowered and herby directed to deliver deeds and other such documentation that may be necessary or requested by the Purchasers in accordance with the terms of the Purchase Agreements to evidence the transfers required herein.
- J. The Debtors are hereby authorized to execute the Deed and any other related documents that are reasonably necessary or appropriate to complete the sale, and to undertake such other actions as may be reasonably necessary or appropriate to complete the sale.
- K. At the Closing, the Debtors are authorized to pay closing costs customarily paid by sellers of real estate, including but not limited to transfer taxes and the Debtors' pro-rata share of real estate taxes.
- L. The commission of Old Spruce Realty in an amount equal to 6% of the gross proceeds of sale is hereby approved and shall be paid at Closing.
- M. The Debtors' motion to carve out funds for payment administrative expenses as set forth in Exhibits B and C to the Sale Motion from sale proceeds is approved.
- N. The Debtors are authorized to distribute net proceeds of sale to claimants and lien holders as set forth in Exhibits B and C to the Sale Motion and to pay any remaining net sale proceeds to Debtors' Counsel Supple Law Office to hold in trust until further Order of the Court is approved. Exhibits B and C to the Sale Motion are Attached to this Order and incorporated herein.
  - O. This Court will retain jurisdiction over this transaction for purposes of enforcing

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the provisions of this Order and the Purchaser Agreement.

P. Pursuant to Rule 6004(h) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, this Order will be effective immediately upon entry.

It is so **ORDERED**.

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## EXHIBIT B

LIENS AND CLAIMS AGAINST W.T. REYNOLDS

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Internal Revenue Service	West Virginia State Tax Dept.	Internal Revenue Service	West Virginia State Tax Dept.	West Virginia State Tax Dept.	West Virginia State Tax Dept.	DOInternal Revenue Service	SECURED CLAIMS		George Lemon	இ.S. Trustee	Supple Law Office	of 111	Greenbrier County	Greenbrier County	Survey Company	Layton Hannah	Old Spruce Realty	ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	GROSS PROCEEDS	Claims Against W.T. Reynolds Estate Lewisburg Bulk Plant and 1/2 Interest in Farm
Tax Lien ( ) - Recorded 10/11/11  Estimated Interest @ 4%  Independ - Recorded 04/04/12: RK 49 Pg 872	Tax Lien ( ) - Recorded 03/22/10; BK 44 PG 568 Estimated Interest @ 4%	Tax Lien (12/31/07 to06/30/08) - Recorded 02/12/10; BK 44 PG 135 Estimated Interest @ 4%	Tax Lien (10/31/06) - Recorded 09/24/09; BK 42 PG 845 Estimated Interest @ 4%	Tax Lien (04/30/06 to 05/31/08) - Recorded 03/13/09; BK 41 PG 524 Estimated Interest @ 4%	Tax Lien (04/30/06 to 05/31/08) - Recorded 03/13/09; BK 41 PG 523 Estimated interest @ 4%	Tax Judg Recorded 01/26/09; BK 41 PG 206 Estimated Interest @ 4%		Total Administrative Expenses	Estate Counsel	1/2 U.S. Trustee Fees	Estimated Legal - Carve Out for Bankruptcy and Sale Litigation	Estimated Tax Preparation for Estate Returns	Estimated 1/2 Real Estate Taxes (Farm) Estimated Real Estate Taxes (Bulk Plant)	Transfer Tax \$6.60 per \$1000	Estimated Cost of 1/2 Survey Expense Farm	Court Approved Break-Up Fee - Bulk Plant	6% Commission			nolds Estate

171,900

10.000

40,000

2,000

3,300

2,600 11,000

2,500 9,000

226,100 73,800

Plus Accrued Interest

30,800 8,900

Plus Accrued Interest

400 100

Plus Accrued Interest

69,200 15,400

Plus Accrued Interest

3,100 1,100

Plus Accrued Interest

12,200 3,600

Plus Accrued Interest

22,600 7,400

Plus Accrued Interest

68.100 22.700

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Estimated Interest @ 7%

**EXHIBIT B** 

\$1,358,000

81,500 10,000

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Less Secured Claims in Order of Priority: IRS Secured IRS Interest WV Tax Secured WV Tax Interest IRS Secured WV Interest WV Interest IRS Secured WV Interest WV Insurance Commissioner WV DEP WV DEP WV DEP INTEREST WV DEP WV DEP WV DEP Space Petroleum	Less Administrative	GROSS SALE PROCEEDS	ESTIMATED DISTRIBUTION	TOTAL CLAIMS AND EXPENSES			Total Secured Claims - Greenbrier County	Tax Lien ( ) - Recorded 12/01/14; BK 52 PG 727 Estimated Interest @ 4%	Tax Lien ( ) - Recorded 04/15/13; BK 52 PG 322 Estimated Interest @ 4%	Tax Lien()- Recorded 04/05/13; BK 52 PG 290 Estimated Interest @ 4%	Tax Lien()- Recorded 03/26/13; BK 52 PG 216 Estimated Interest @ 4%	Judgment - Recorded 12/20/2012; BK 135 Pg 352 Estimated Interest @ 7%	Tax Lien ( ) - Recorded 10/22/12; BK 51 PG 158 Estimated Interest @ 4%	Judgment - Recorded 09/26/12: BK 50 Pg 881 Estimated Interest @ 7%
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# EXHIBIT C

LIENS AND CLAIMS AGAINST SYBIL REYNOLDS

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#### **EXHIBIT C**

### Claims Against Sybil Reynolds Estate 1/2 Interest in Farm

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GROSS PROCEEDS		\$583,000	
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES			
Old Spruce Realty	6% Commission	35,000	
Survey Company	Estimated Cost of 1/2 Survey Expense	2,500	
Greenbrier County	Transfer Tax \$6.60 per \$1000	3,900	
Greenbrier County	1/2 Real Estate Taxes	2,600	
Accounting Firm	Estimated Tax Preparation for Estate Returns	2,000	
Supple Law Office	Legal - Carve Out for Bankruptcy and Sale Litigation	40,000	
U.S. Trustee	1/2 U.S. Trustee Fees	3,300	
George Lemon	Estate Counsel	10,000	
	Total Administrative Expenses	99,300	
SECURED CLAIMS			
Internal Revenue Service	Tax Lien ( ) - Recorded 03/26/13; BK 52 PG 216 Estimated Interest @ 4%	57,400 9,600	W.T. and Sybil Reynolds
Internal Revenue Service	Tax Lien ( ) - Recorded 04/05/13; BK 52 PG 290 Estimated Interest @ 4%	8,200 1,400	W.T. and Sybil Reynolds
Internal Revenue Service	Tax Lien ( ) - Recorded 04/15/13; BK 52 PG 322 Estimated Interest @ 4%	48,400 8,000	W.T. and Sybil Reynolds
Internal Revenue Service	Tax Lien ( ) - Recorded 12/01/14; BK 52 PG 727 Estimated Interest @ 4%	18,200 1,900	W.T. and Sybil Reynolds
	Total Secured Claims - Greenbrier County	153,100	
UNSECURED CLAIMS			
West Virgina State Tax Department		30,000	
Donna Brannon and Brannon Oil	_	200,000	Reduced Per Stipulation
	Total Unsecured Claims	230,000	
	TOTAL CLAIMS AND EXPENSES	482,400	
	Estimated Gross Sale Proceeds Estimated Total Claims	\$583,000 \$482,400	
	Estimated Distribution to Thomas Reynolds BK Estate	100,600	