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State closes Crosswinds Cafe for not paying state sales tax

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TOPEKA - Wednesday morning, Kansas Department of Revenue agents and Doniphan County Sheriff's Officers seized the business assets of Crosswinds Cafe, which owed \$10,283 in state sales taxes.

Officers seized all known bank accounts, on-site cash, business inventory and personal property assets belonging to owner Patty Parker. The restaurant, at 1311 Roseport Road, Elwood, was sealed closed and the assets will be sold at public auction to pay the taxes owed.

Warrant execution occurs when all other collection attempts, including multiple letters, telephone calls, letters of impending legal action, tax liens filed with the local District Court to secure the debt, previous bank levies and on-site till taps are executed to bring the taxpayer into compliance have been exhausted.

Only after several unsuccessful attempts does the department take the action of seizing assets, which in this instance resulted in the business being closed.

The Revenue Department's standard practice is to continually encourage delinquent taxpayers, who are not lawfully filing or paying taxes - such as sales or withholding - to voluntarily enter into a repayment agreement.

Tax Warrants:

Sales Tax - #09ST13 - Doniphan County – July to Dec. 2007, Jan. to Dec. 2008, Jan. to April 2009 - \$7,601.61

Sales Tax - #2010ST17 - Doniphan County - May to July 2009, May to Sept. 2010 - \$2,680.95

Sales Tax - #10ST002500 - Shawnee County - May to July 2009, May to Sept. 2010 - \$2,680.95 *

Amount owed: \$10,2828.56

* The warrant filed in Shawnee County is for assets in that county but does not add to the total state sales tax owed.