

Here Comes the Judge!

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– The fate of property owned by the Clay-Towns Development Authority could be decided Thursday.

A visiting judge will hear a Mandamus request filed by Colditz Trucking on Thursday at 10 a.m. in the Towns County Grand Jury room.

The County was served with the Mandamus hearing notice late Friday, Sole Commissioner Bill Kendall said.

The best case scenario for Towns County is for the Towns County Industrial Development Authority to be allowed to purchase the judgment and lay claim to the property.

“We’ve already got

assurances from EPD and DNR to waive the cost of penalties that were levied against the Clay-Towns Development Authority for failure to maintain Best Management Practices,” Commissioner Kendall said. “If the Industrial Building Authority is allowed to purchase the Colditz judgment, the property will be put to good use and Towns County will benefit.

“However, I do want to assure our taxpayers that no taxpayer money will be used to complete this transaction,” Kendall said.

Clay-Towns Authority members met last week to update on whether property will be transferred from the authority to the Towns County Industrial Development Authority.