

**CHADRON, NEBRASKA**  
**May 17, 2016**  
**DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Board of Equalization in regular session was commenced at the hour of 9:00 A.M. on the 17th day of May, 2016 and published pursuant to public notice as required by law and or posted. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Stewart. Roll was called and the following Commissioners were present: Commissioners Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Also present were Deb Lesmeister, Deputy Dawes County Clerk; Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present. Per LB 898 the Chairman announced the location of posted information concerning the Open Meetings Act. Copies of the Act are available upon request by anyone attending the meeting. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Rivera, approving the agenda. Roll call, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Rivera, seconded by Johnson, approving the minutes of the April 12, 2016 meeting. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Lindy Coleman, Assessor, joined the meeting at 9:08 A.M. to present tax correction #'s 4967-4968-4969 for the Boards review and approval. Upon review, Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, moved to approve tax correction #'s 4967-4969 as presented. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Lindy Coleman left the meeting at 9:10 A.M. Barbara Sebesta, Treasurer joined the meeting at 9:10 A.M. to present vehicle exemptions. She presented 52 vehicle exemptions as opposed to the 50 that were scheduled on the Clerk's agenda. A complete listing is available in the Clerk's Office. At 9:13 A.M. Cactus Shumway entered the meeting. Motion by Commissioner Johnson to approved the vehicle exemptions as presented by the Treasurer, seconded by Rivera. Roll call, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business to be conducted by the Dawes County Board of Equalization the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 9:18 A.M. The next meeting will be held on June 14, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. A current Agenda to the Board of Equalization proceedings is kept on file in the County Clerk's office during normal business hours for inspection, but the Agenda will close by 12:00 P.M. on Thursday, June 9, 2016. The Agenda may be modified to include items of emergency nature. The meetings of the Dawes County Board of Equalization are open to the public.

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Deb Lesmeister**  
**Deputy Dawes County Clerk**

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**CHADRON, NEBRASKA**  
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**DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners in regular session was commenced at the hour of 9:17 A.M. on the 17th day of May, 2016 and published pursuant to public notice as required by law. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Stewart. Roll was called and the following Commissioners were present: Commissioners Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Also present were Deb Lesmeister, Deputy County Clerk; Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney and Cactus Shumway. Per LB 898 the Chairman announced the location of posted information concerning the Open Meetings Act. Copies of the Act are available upon request by anyone attending the meeting. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, approving the Agenda with the addition of Road #50. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera to approve the minutes with the following correction to wit: The Cowboy Trail project requested \$100,000.00 but \$50,000.00 was awarded. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera to

approve the claims with the exception of claim #16050112 in the amount of \$40.00 to River A Holdings. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Johnson to approve claim #16050112 in the amount of \$40.00 to River A Holdings, seconded by Stewart. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Abstain: Rivera. Motion carried. Correspondence was reviewed: Chadron Chamber of Commerce meeting notice, NCAP May/June 2016 newsletter, Region 23 Wildfire Mitigation Workshop to be held on June 8, 2016, Nebraska State Historical Society letter of invitation to attend the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of Fort Robinson on June 3 and 4, 2016 which is free and open to the public, letter from NEMA stating there will be a grant monitoring visit in Chadron on May 24, 2016 and an e-mail letter from Cactus Shumway concerning County Road #50. Jerrod Jaeger entered the meeting at 9:48 A.M. Payroll and official's fee and mileage reports were reviewed and approved by general consent. No one appeared for Public Comment.

At 9:50 A.M. Jerrod Jaeger, Public Defender met with the Board. Becca Chasek, a third year law student at University of Lincoln is requesting an internship. At 9:51 A.M. Mike Lecher entered the meeting followed by Larry Hankin at 9:52 A.M. Mr. Jaeger has identified enough duties to make a clerkship position. This would give an employment opportunity to a young professional. Mr. Jaeger is proposing to pay \$15.00 per hour and Ms. Chasek is requesting to work 25-30 hours per week. Mr. Jaeger said the duties may be doing research to assist with cases, briefing forms and making advisement forms for felony defendants as that is an often used procedure. Mr. Jaeger said this position would be approximately 11 weeks during the summer, 28 hours per week for a total of \$4620.00. Discussion ensued as to whether this would be considered an employee of the county or contracted service. Mr. Jaeger stated that he has done a good job staying under budget for his department. Kerri Rempp, Chadron Record entered the meeting at 10:02 A.M. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera to approve the internship for the public defender. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. An appointment was made for May 31, 2016 at 10:30 A.M. to have Mr. Jaeger meet with the Board to set a limit on funds to be used for that purpose. Mr. Jaeger left the meeting at 10:13 A.M.

At 10:14 A.M. Larry Hankin, Highway Superintendent met with the Board. Color maps were shared with those present on Road #50 and Road #123. He showed which portions of the road were considered closed and which were considered open. Chairman Stewart read aloud Resolution 2016-17. Motion by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson to approve the Resolution 2016-17 and directed Mr. Hankin to do the Road Study for Road #123. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. This will be for County Road #123 described as "Commencing at the intersection of the Road running south and east at the northeast corner of the NE1/4 of Section 14; thence running south 2 ¼ miles to intersect the road running east and west and terminating at a point ¼ of a mile from the northeast corner of the NE1/4 of Section 26, Township 32 North, Range 49 West 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Dawes County, Nebraska." A letter was received by the County Clerk from James O'Rourke on Monday, May 17 at 1:58 P.M. after the agenda has closed. This letter will be put on the agenda for May 31, 2016. Road updates: All districts are blading. District #1 has replaced an autogate on Airport Road. District #2 is pulling shoulders on Table Road from McGannon's to Table Center Road. District #3 is pulling shoulders on Bethel Loop Road on the west side. They will also be pulling shoulders on Toadstool Road with the intention to gravel it. The bridge is finished on Bethel Loop Road and is now open to the public. Crushing is completed at the Furman pit and crusher is now going to the Antelope pit in District #2. For work to proceed on the Lemmon Bridge Mr. Hankin will need to get a wetland delineation. Mike Lecher and Cactus Shumway left the meeting at 10:28 A.M. Mr. Hankin stated that 3 part-time employees have been hired and 2 have started working. Mr. Hankin presented information to the Board on a GPS/Fleet Telematics solution program that Verizon offers. He felt it may be may be worth looking into. Mr. Hankin reported that he had gone to a demonstration on the rock crusher the County is interested in renting. He said that the cost estimate for a month would be \$95,000.00 and that would include rental and employees. He stated that his estimate the crusher would be in operation 45 hours per week. He felt renting it would be beneficial to the County. The Board directed Mr. Hankin to move forward with the crusher rental. Lindy Coleman entered the meeting at 10:38 A.M. Ron and Rhonda Pelton approached the Board with a petition request to do a road crossing on their property. North West Rural Public Power

will be doing the trenching. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera to approve the trenching request on Lone Tree Road. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Larry Hankin and Adam Edmund left the meeting at 10:50 A.M. The Board recessed at 10:45 A.M. and reconvened at 10:52 A.M.

Lindy Coleman, Assessor approached the Board with her preliminary budget request for 2016/2017. She is requesting a 4% salary increase for clerical staff. She is estimating that her data processing will go up slightly, perhaps 3%. Office equipment line item will go up as she has a rotation schedule for computer replacement. The back up service on her computers are done by an outside person. Her travel line item will be up slightly as expense will be incurred to go to the NACA conference. Overall she is anticipating \$1,645 increase. The zoning budget line item on mileage is over. That is due to the airport situation. She is very pleased that the attendance of the current members to meetings. The reappraisal budget will remain the same. Ms. Coleman left the meeting at 11:10 A.M.

Deb Lesmeister, Deputy Clerk shared with the Board USDA APHIS payment information. The County has been making 4 quarterly payments in the past prior to this fiscal year. USDA APHIS then requested payment after services rendered. However by doing this our payment schedule and their requests are not in the same fiscal year which is creating issues. Discussion was held that perhaps starting with the next fiscal year we can just make 1 annual payment. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera directing the Deputy Clerk to make a payment of \$7155.19 at this time. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Steve Crile approached the Board with the 2016/2017 Jail budget. He invited the Board to a workshop given by NIRMA at 1:00 P.M. on May 17, 2016 dealing with jail liabilities and insurance issues. He stated at this time the budget is \$37,000.00 over. \$30,000.00 is due to the inmate attempted escape and medical bills incurred by an inmate. They did have a staff shortage and 1 employee was on medical leave resulting in \$6,700.00 overtime as other staff covered those shortages. They are also over budget in the safety line item as they had to replace damaged equipment at a cost of \$1,200.00. They are estimating a salary increase of 3%. Jail supply line item will need to be increased due to the larger amount of inmates being held. More revenue has been generated from the new fingerprint system. This system is able to do fingerprint services for background checks, potential employees for Job Corps and Forest Service, and also for National Guard. Since implementing this they have not had any rejections of fingerprints sent. Mr. Crile left the meeting at 11:27 A.M.

Karl Dailey, Sheriff approached the Board with 2016/2017 budgets for Crawford Law. He is requesting a 3% salary increase. The auto line item request is up by \$2,000.00 to replace a cruiser at Crawford. He decreased the radio line item by \$2,000.00 as he feels they are all in good shape at this time. They also discussed the 2016/2017 budget request for the Sheriff's department. He is requesting a 3% salary increase. The uniform allowance line item will decrease by \$3,400.00. The telephone and internet line items will change within the line items but overall total will not. Office supply requests will go up \$200.00. Auto line item will go up \$1,000.00 for light bar expenses. An increase of \$5,000.00 in radio equipment which will go in the communication trailer. He has also applied for grants to supplement this request. Overall he is expecting no more than \$1,000.00 change in this total budget. Kerri Rempp left the meeting at 11:40 A.M. Mr. Dailey reported they are having problems with the 2006 Envoy that is used for prisoner transport. The instrument panel has been acting up and has been in the repair shop 3 times, once for a week. He suggested that he would be interested in taking the County Trail Blazer and if he could have full access to it he would be willing to put in a radio, take care of maintenance, oil and tires and put on additional decals of law enforcement. Discussion ensued. The Trail Blazer is used for county employees to travel and is used quite often. Mr. Dailey also said for safety a cage should be installed and that a minivan might be a better choice for transport. At the end of the discussion it was decided to put it on the agenda for May 31, 2015 2006 Envoy trade in for purchase of transport vehicle. Mr. Dailey left the meeting 11:59 A.M. Blue Cross Blue Shield renewal information was reviewed. There will be a 6% rate increase on the medical insurance with no increase for dental insurance for the current plan. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera to accept the Blue Cross Blue Shield Subgroup application with the \$1,500 deductible for medical and option 3 premier for dental coverage. The Chairman signed the application. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business before the Board, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:10 P.M. The next meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners will be May 31, 2016 beginning at 9:00 A.M. The meeting will be held in the Commissioner Room at the Courthouse. A current agenda is available at the Clerk's Office during normal business hours but will close at 12:00 P.M., May 26, 2016.

**Disclaimer: A complete text of all resolutions passed by the Board is available upon request in the County Clerk's office during normal business hours.**

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Deb Lesmeister**  
**Deputy Dawes County Clerk**

**DAWES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**May 17, 2016 the following claims were audited, allowed and warrant orders drawn on their respective accounts: Key for Claims: 100=General Fund; 200=Roads Fund; 650=Hwy Bridge Buyback Program Fund; 990=Visitor's Fund; 1100=Reappraisal Fund; 1150=Preservation & Modernization Fund; 1900=Veterans Aid Fund; 2360=Drug Fund; 2500=Grants Fund; 2700=Inheritance Fund; 2910-911=Emergency Communications; 2913=Wireless Communications; 4000=Courthouse Bond Payment Fund.**

FUND	NAME	TOTCLAIMS
100	AFLAC	\$550.16
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$7,971.71
100	AT&T	\$40.85
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-EXTENSION	\$83.13
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-SHERIFF	\$646.71
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-VETERANS	\$187.69
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-WEED	\$103.19
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$27,524.13
100	BOX BUTTE GENERAL HOSPITAL	\$288.00
100	CENTURYLINK	\$1,197.50
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-E 911	\$12.06
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-PUBLIC DEFEND	\$16.71
100	CHADRON ACE HARDWARE	\$186.33
100	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$668.01
100	CHADRON LUMBER COMPANY INC	\$49.34
100	CHADRON MOTOR COMPANY	\$42.14
100	CHADRON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	\$126.15
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$565.80
100	CLERK OF DIST COURT ASSOCIATION	\$35.00
100	ALAN P CONNELL	\$58.30
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$366.70
100	CRITES, SHAFFER, CONNEALY, WATSON, HARF	\$570.00
100	D&S MARKET, LLC	\$1,630.65
100	DASH MEDICAL GLOVES INC	\$46.90
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$368.00
100	DELUXE BUSINESS CHECKS & SOLUTIONS	\$143.23
100	DEPT OF LABOR, OFFC OF ELEVATR SFTY	\$140.00
100	DOCU-SHRED LLC	\$160.00
100	DIXIE EATON	\$25.00

100	FAIRFIELD INNS AND SUITES	\$269.85
100	FARMER'S COOP	\$1,836.75
100	CHERYL FEIST	\$246.44
100	FIRST BANKCARD	\$9.00
100	FIRST BANKCARD/EXTENSION	\$12.68
100	FIRST BANKCARD/JAKE STEWART	\$43.50
100	FIRST BANKCARD/PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$244.02
100	FIRST BANKCARD/VETERANS	\$32.38
100	FIRST BANKCARD/WEED DEPT	\$81.47
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$13,345.45
100	GENE R GILES DDS PC	\$204.00
100	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$387.05
100	HENCEY PLUMBING & HYDRONICS,INC	\$64.45
100	HILLS TIRE & SUPPLY	\$683.96
100	IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY,INC	\$20.72
100	KCSR-AM	\$120.00
100	LANCASTER COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT	\$6.00
100	MANNA SYSTEMS AND CONSULTING	\$50.00
100	MAXIMUS,INC	\$2,100.00
100	LISA MERRITT	\$50.70
100	MILLENNIUM COMPUTER SYSTEMS	\$45.00
100	MIPS INC	\$3,240.95
100	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$60.00
100	NACO	\$520.00
100	NE DEPT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	\$2.38
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$1,360.74
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE/LEVY	\$25.00
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-E911	\$21.00
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-WEED	\$210.73
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CLERK	\$8.08
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CO ATTORNEY	\$111.73
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/COUNTY COURT	\$35.00
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/EXTENSION	\$140.43
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/PUBLIC DEFEND	\$386.03
100	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$41.29
100	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$109.00
100	PINE RIDGE LAND SURVEYS,INC	\$7,137.70
100	RADIOLOGY IMAGING OF NEBRASKA,LLC	\$65.00
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/CO ATTORNEY	\$39.56
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/COMMISSIONERS	\$127.75
100	SCOTTS BLUFF CO DETENTION CENTER	\$1,895.76
100	SERVICE MATTERS CLEANING	\$106.40
100	SKAVDAHL & EDMUND	\$5,123.11
100	SOURCEGAS	\$562.35
100	BRIAN TAYLOR	\$19.88
100	UNIVERSITY OF NE-LINCOLN CAR RENTAL	\$297.60
100	VAN DIEST SUPPLY COMPANY	\$4,202.49
100	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$125.88
100	VERIZON WIRELESS-WEED	\$64.17
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$200.13
100	WALMART COMMUNITY	\$150.37

100	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$462.50
100	DAN WORDEKEMPER	\$634.23
100	XEROX CORPORATION	\$163.92
100	XEROX CORPORATION/VETERANS OFFICE	\$105.37
200	AFLAC	\$254.53
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$939.32
200	BEE LINE SERVICES,INC	\$283.02
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$2,077.65
200	BRENNAN ELECTRIC	\$360.19
200	BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	\$403.19
200	CENTURYLINK	\$188.74
200	CHADRON GLASS & WINDOWS,INC	\$584.95
200	CHADRON MOTOR COMPANY	\$243.31
200	CITY OF CHADRON	\$103.16
200	CITY OF CRAWFORD	\$108.01
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$55.00
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$2,714.26
200	FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER,INC	\$844.33
200	H&H SANITATION AND RECYCLING,INC	\$53.50
200	HERREN BROTHERS TRUE VALUE	\$30.96
200	MATHESON LINWELD INC	\$25.80
200	MEDICAL ENTERPRISES,INC	\$67.00
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$441.43
200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$70.25
200	NORM'S NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$402.89
200	NORTHERN TRUCK EQUIPMENT CORP	\$507.00
200	PANHANDLE COLLECTIONS,INC	\$158.69
200	PANHANDLE COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION	\$183.01
200	PHILLIPS F & T INC	\$2,820.85
200	POWERPLAN	\$12,256.25
200	QUALITY TIRE	\$50.00
200	RIVER A HOLDING LLC	\$40.00
200	RURAL COMPREHENSIVE CARE NETWORK	\$450.75
200	SOURCEGAS	\$393.64
200	STATE OF NE DEPT OF NATRL RESOURCES	\$60.00
200	VERIZON WIRELESS/ROADS	\$218.08
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$113.23
200	WALMART COMMUNITY	\$95.38
200	XEROX CORPORATION/ROADS	\$124.16
990	AFLAC	\$13.46
990	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$52.76
990	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$91.07
990	CHADRON NATIVE AMERICAN CENTER	\$2,500.00
990	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$149.97
990	MALY MARKETING	\$1,550.00
990	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$24.98
990	NEBRASKA LIFE PUBLISHING, INC	\$630.00
990	NEBRASKA TOURISM COMMISSION	\$100.00
990	NEBRASKALAND MAGAZINE	\$300.00
995	CRAWFORD AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$1,750.00
995	LA SIGN & SCREEN PRINTING	\$800.00

1900	VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE	\$86.00
2500	CHADRON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	\$6,741.21
2500	PANHANDLE PARTNERSHIP FOR HEALTH	\$1,551.00
2910	CENTURYLINK	\$116.79
2910	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$242.34
2910	OFFICE DEPOT	\$20.98
2910	TONY SERBOUSEK	\$150.00
2910	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$1,039.00
2913	CENTURYLINK	\$300.32
2913	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$134.60