

DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

July 07, 2010

2010 PROPERTY VALUATION PROTESTS SUMMARY

Pursuant to Section 77-1502 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, the Dawes County Board of Commissioners convened as a Board of Equalization on July 02, 2010 at 7:30 A.M. in the County Court room located at 451 Main Street, Chadron, Nebraska to hear and read into record the 2010 property valuation protests and make a final determination on the valuation change requests.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Chadron Record and Crawford Clipper. A copy of the proof of publication is on file in the office of the County Clerk. Notice of the meeting was given to the members and copy of agenda is on record in the office of the County Clerk. All proceedings of the meeting which are open to public and tape-recorded are on file in the Clerk's office. Evidence available during proceedings included State Administrative Code, Assessor's manual, Manual and Reports and Opinions of the Property Tax Administrator. Protests along with evidence submitted will be placed on file in the Assessor's office. Information concerning decisions of the Board will be transcribed to property cards by the Assessor's office and are available for public inspection during normal business hours.

Board members Webb Johnson, Roger Wess and Don Blausey were present for all sessions. Also present was County Assessor Lindy Coleman and Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk. The Assessor was sworn into record prior to commencement of hearings and all individuals scheduled to meet with the Board of Equalization were sworn into record.

Four Hundred Sixty-Nine (469) protests were filed. During the scheduled sessions, the Board heard testimony from Protesters' requesting valuation changes. On July 06, 2010 valuation protests not appearing before the Board were read into record. The regular Board of Equalization meeting scheduled and published for July 07, 2010 at 8:00 A.M. was moved to 1:00 P.M. as some tax corrections presented affected values of various Protestors'.

At 1:04 P.M. on July 07, 2010 the Board reconvened as Board of Equalization. Those present were Vice Chairman, Roger Wess and Commissioner, Don Blausey. Also present was Lindy Coleman, Assessor and Cheryl Feist, County Clerk. A motion to approve the Agenda was introduced by Commissioner Blausey, seconded by Wess. Roll was called, Ayes: Blausey and Wess, with Johnson absent. Nays: None. Motion carried. Minutes of the June 01, 2010 Board of Equalization were reviewed. Motion by Blausey, seconded by Wess, approving the minutes as published. Roll was called, Ayes: Wess and Blausey, with Johnson absent. Commissioner Johnson joined the meeting at 1:07 P.M. Lindy Coleman, Assessor, presented tax correction #'s 4447-4527 for the Boards review. Motion by Blausey, seconded by Wess, directing the Chairman to sign the corrections as presented. Roll was called, Ayes: Blausey, Johnson and Wess. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board spent the remainder of the afternoon reviewing and rendering decisions relevant to protests submitted. A motion to adjourn as Board of Equalization at 4:13 P.M. was made by Commissioner Blausey, seconded by Wess. Roll was called, Ayes: Johnson, Wess and Blausey. Nays: None. Motion carried.

***Decisions of the Board of Equalization Valuation Protest Hearings will be mailed to all individuals submitting protest(s) by August 02, 2010.**

ATTEST: _____

DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Cheryl Feist

Dawes County Clerk

Webb L. Johnson,
Chairman

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CHADRON, NEBRASKA

July 07, 2010

DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners meeting in regular session was commenced at the hour of 8:00 A.M. on the 7th day of July 2010 in the Commissioner's room published pursuant to public notice as required by law. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Johnson. Roll was called and the following Commissioners were present: Commissioners' Johnson, Wess and Blausey. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk and Jake Stewart. 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. Commissioner Wess asked his phone number be published so individuals having questions concerning Commissioner District 2 could contact him. That phone number is (308) 430-3953. Motion by Blausey, seconded by Wess, approving the Agenda as presented. Roll call vote, Ayes: Wess, Blausey and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board decided to combine the scheduled Board of Equalization Meeting at 8:00 A.M. with the valuation protest reviews scheduled to begin at 1:00 P.M. as some of the tax corrections to be presented affected the values of some protests submitted. Motion by Wess, seconded by Blausey, approving the June 16, 2010 minutes with the following correction(s) to wit: windrow should be leveled out to make crown re: roads; Pepper Creek road completion is July 2010, not October 2010 as recorded. Roll call vote, Ayes: Blausey, Johnson and Wess. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed by the Board. Motion by Blausey, seconded by Wess, approving all claims as submitted. Roll was called, Ayes: Johnson, Wess and Blausey. Nays: None. Motion carried. Correspondences included-Prairie Postings Newsletter; USDA re: comment period on management of rangeland vegetative resources, which includes livestock grazing and notice of sale re: SE1/4 of Section 10, Township 32, Range 48 West to USDA-Forest Service; County Treasurer re: notice of called pledged security at FNB-North Platte, Chadron Office; RC & D re: membership dues and Matt Reeves letter re: interest in serving on the Travel Board. Discussion ensued re: Mr. Reeve's letter. Motion by Blausey, seconded by Wess, appointing Matt Reeves to the Travel Board. Roll was called, Ayes: Wess, Blausey and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Wess, seconded by Blausey, to remain a member of RC&D fiscal year 2010-2011. Roll was called, Ayes: Blausey, Johnson and Wess. Nays: None. Motion carried. Scott Cotton and Kerri Rempp joined the meeting in progress. In other business the Board signed the previously approved amendment to the RCI Insurance and the current insurance document. Monthly fee reports of the various offices were reviewed and approved.

At 8:48 A.M. Jay King, Custodian, met with the Board. Mr. King informed the Board the air conditioning unit housed at 250 Main Street is thirty (30) years old and has quit functioning properly. He presented three bids for the Board's consideration. Chad Franzen joined the meeting. **Mansfield Enterprises, Inc.** in the amount of \$1,180.00; **Rasmussen** submitted two (2) options to wit: Bid#1 in the amount of \$1,970.00 and Bid#2 in the amount of \$11,180.00 and **Metal Products Company, Inc.** in the amount of \$5,922.00. Discussion ensued. Motion by Wess, seconded by Blausey, awarding the bid to Mansfield Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$1,180.00. Roll was called, Ayes: Johnson, Wess and Blausey. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 8:53 A.M. Harvey Keim, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board. Mr. Keim presented information relevant to gravel costs as requested by Stacy Swinney at a previous meeting. Native rock-\$91.65 per load per mile with a time frame of 40 loads to a mile in one (1) day vs. Red rock-\$451.92 per load per mile with a time frame of 40 loads to a mile in five (5) days. All rock would be two (2) inches thick and twenty-two (22) feet wide. A copy of the report will be made a part of the minutes for public inspection during normal business hours. Mr. Keim reported culvert repair is in progress on Pepper Creek road, Beaver Valley road has less than two (2) miles left to complete and Bethel Loop road is still scheduled for repairs. Commissioner Wess asked Mr. Keim about website updates. Mr. Keim is working with the secretary to start getting updates to the county website.

At 9:20 A.M. Jada Thompson, Contryman Associates, PC, met with the Board. Ms. Thompson presented two (2) reports to wit: Financial Statement-no major changes other than refinancing of existing bonds. It was recommended that someone review all Imprest bank reconciliation statements to assist the County Clerk in keeping the account cleaned up. Any outstanding checks over one-hundred twenty (120) days must go through unclaimed property procedures. In addition, it was recommended someone review all quarterly reports prepared by the County Clerk. Management Letter-a compliance audit revealed discrepancies in the way the Board of Prisoner reimbursements are handled. Two (2) options were recommended to wit: Option #1-Written legal contract be drawn between the Sheriff and Dawes County for Board of Prisoners, with the Sheriff receiving a 1099 Misc at calendar year-end for revenues issued directly to him for these services or Option #2-Receipt documentation for the purchase of food to feed individuals incarcerated. The Board was instructed to meet with the Sheriff to discuss the options and render a decision as soon as possible so it can be reported to the State Auditor's Office by Contryman. Motion by Blausey, seconded by Wess, accepting the 2009 audit report with recommendations as presented. Roll was called, Ayes: Wess, Blausey and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:51 A.M. Don Fryda, Predator Control Officer, met with the Board. Mr. Fryda presented the 2010-2011 budget in the amount of \$19,032.00. The budget reflects no increase for fiscal year 2010-2011. Motion by Blausey, seconded by Wess, accepting the contracted amount of \$19,032.00 for fiscal year 2010-2011. Roll was called, Ayes: Blausey, Johnson and Wess. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 10:08 A.M. Sandy Roes, WCHR Director, met with the Board. Ms. Roes presented the consultant contract with Joan Frances Consulting in the amount of \$12,800.00 re: County Aid Enhancement Grant. Ms. Frances will be paid on a quarterly basis once a preliminary payment has been made. A representative on behalf of Dawes County to audit the consultant's activities was discussed. Ms. Roes will represent the County. Motion by Wess, seconded by Blausey, approving the consultant contract with Joan Frances Consulting and appointing Sandy Roes as representative for Dawes County. Roll was called, Ayes: Johnson, Wess and Blausey. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 10:39 A.M. Vicki Lawton, Community Action Partnership of Western Nebraska, met with the Board. She was present representing the Youth Services Program which works directly with the youth in the Panhandle. A report on the various programs offered was shared with the Board. The goal of the program is to keep youth in communities. An expansion of transitional housing is being looked at throughout the Panhandle. She reported the Street Outreach Team (S.O.S.) will host a dance during the Fur Trade Day activities this year. Ms. Lawton reported the program is seeking funding and would appreciate support from Dawes County if it's fiscally possible.

At 10:52 A.M. Becky Paulsen, Weed Superintendent, Zoning & Floodplain Manager approached the Board. Also present was Chris Burke. Ms. Paulsen presented reports re: zoning/weed management. She informed the Board the past three (3) Zoning Board meetings there hasn't been a quorum to conduct business and she has six (6) permits waiting approval. Discussion ensued. Letters will be sent to those members not attending the meetings. The Board directed Ms. Paulsen to bring the permits to the next Commissioner meeting for approval. The weed department has dilapidated equipment that needs replaced. Revenue receipts are contingent upon properly functioning equipment. Ms. Paulsen reported the weed department has generated \$105,710.00 the last two years in revenues and currently there is an additional \$28,000.00 billed out. There is \$20,000.00 more in revenue available but no equipment to do the jobs. Discussion ensued. The Board directed Ms. Paulsen to budget for two (2) used pickups and two (2) four-wheelers. Also discussed was the possibility of contracting the county road spraying whereby the county would supply chemical and pay an hourly rate to spray the chemical. Wages were briefly discussed but no official action taken.

There being no further business before the Dawes County Board of Commissioners a motion to adjourn at 11:17 A.M. was made by Commissioner Blausey, seconded by Wess. Roll call vote, Ayes: Wess, Blausey and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The next regular meeting will be July 21, 2010 beginning at 8:00 AM. in the Commissioners room at the Courthouse. A current agenda for the meeting is kept on file in the County Clerk's office during normal business hours for inspection, but will close by 3:00 P.M. on the Friday preceding the meeting on Wednesday. The Agenda may be modified to include items of emergency nature. The meetings of the Dawes County Commissioners are open to the public. **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: _____

DAWES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Cheryl Feist

Dawes County Clerk

July 07, 2010 the following claims were audited, allowed and warrant orders drawn on their respective

Accounts: Key for Claims: 100=General Fund; 200=Roads Fund; 990=Visitors Fund; 1100=Reappraisal Fund; 1900=Veterans Aid Fund; 2360=Drug Fund; 2500=Grants Fund; 2700=Inheritance Fund; 2910-911=Emergency

(Communications); 4000=Courthouse Bond Payment Fund; 5400=Weed Department Fund.

FUND	NAME	TOTCLAIMS
100	AFLAC	\$448.73
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$5,635.53
100	AS CENTRAL SERVICES	\$210.50

100	AXIS CAPITAL INC	\$459.22
100	BOB BARKER COMPANY INC	\$141.55
100	BAUERKEMPER'S INC	\$21.78
100	CHADRON CITY SCHOOLS	\$171.29
100	CHADRON GLASS & WINDOWS,INC	\$275.00
100	CHADRON HOME CENTER	\$2.50
100	CHADRON MEDICAL CLINIC	\$113.00
100	CHADRON WHOLESALE	\$156.01
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$2,500.00
100	CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT ASSOCIATION	\$25.00
100	JAKE CLEVELAND	\$150.00
100	COMMSOURCE,INC	\$205.50
100	SCOTT COTTON	\$296.38
100	CRITES,SHAFFER,CONNEALY,WATSON,HARF	\$1,978.67
100	JOHN DAGEN	\$7.00
100	KARL DAILEY	\$197.08
100	KARL J DAILEY, SHERIFF	\$3,374.00
100	DAWES COUNTY INSURANCE ACCOUNT	\$17,605.46
100	DAWES COUNTY SHERIFF	\$51.64
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$553.00
100	DAWES COUNTY 125 CAFETERIA PLAN	\$1,104.00
100	DAYS INN	\$140.00
100	DEPT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES	\$887.51

100	CHERYL DUNN	\$15.82
100	DIXIE EATON	\$25.00
100	DAVE EUBANKS	\$325.00
100	EXPRESS AUTO SALVAGE	\$326.00
100	FLEET SERVICES/EXXONMOBIL	\$93.73
100	FARM PLAN/BUILDING & GROUNDS	\$328.13
100	CHERYL FEIST	\$152.44
100	FIRST BANKCARD	\$37.05
100	FIRST BANKCARD	\$67.42
100	FIRST BANKCARD	\$79.01
100	FIRST BANKCARD	\$40.76
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$9,690.82
100	FLEET SERVICES/SHERIFF	\$634.47
100	GMC OF CHADRON	\$14.89
100	HENCEY PLUMBING & HYDRONICS,INC	\$350.75
100	HERITAGE SEED COMPANY, INC.	\$2,015.70
100	IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY,INC	\$416.83
100	DIANNE J JOHNSON	\$35.00
100	JAY KING	\$16.00
100	SUSAN LORE	\$416.00
100	MANNA SYSTEMS AND CONSULTING	\$3,060.47
100	MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL CORP	\$442.88
100	MIDWEST SPECIAL SERVICES	\$804.95

100	NACO	\$1,135.03
100	NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER	\$190.00
100	NE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTER	\$50.00
100	NEBRASKA COUNTY ASSESSOR'S ASSOC	\$300.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$1,028.62
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$1,102.84
100	NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIP INC	\$50.75
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CLERK	\$116.86
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/DISTRICT CT	\$11.95
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/SHERIFF	\$76.49
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/TREASURER	\$17.54
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/WEED DEPT	\$82.94
100	NORM'S CARQUEST AUTO PARTS	\$43.13
100	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$26.18
100	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$46.00
100	PANHANDLE SALES AND SERVICE	\$16.00
100	PETERSEN DRUG	\$789.14
100	HERB L PETERSEN	\$267.00
100	POSTMASTER	\$70.00
100	QUALITY TIRE	\$95.00
100	QWEST	\$1,204.68
100	QWEST	\$169.44
100	AMY RAGSDALE	\$584.00

100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL	\$136.95
100	RON'S REPAIR SHOP	\$47.80
100	SCOTT ROBERTS ELECTRIC INC	\$71.87
100	SCOTTS BLUFF CO DETENTION CENTER	\$5,197.98
100	SHELL FLEET PLUS-SHERIFF	\$119.74
100	SHELL FLEET PLUS-VETERANS	\$190.37
100	SHELL FLEET PLUS/WEED	\$1,541.32
100	HOLLY SHIELD	\$43.71
100	SMITH,KING AND SIMMONS,PC	\$1,243.48
100	SOURCEGAS	\$514.15
100	SPENCER FANE BRITT & BROWNE LLP	\$516.00
100	STURDEVANT'S AUTO PARTS	\$7.08
100	TEMPLE ALUMINIUM FOUNDRY INC	\$445.22
100	TEXT & DATA TECHNOLOGIES INC	\$1,000.00
100	THORPE THOMPSON	\$11.00
100	UNIVERSITY OF NE-LINCOLN CAR RENTAL	\$207.05
100	VAN DIEST SUPPLY COMPANY	\$13,030.10
100	MICHAEL T VARN,ATTORNEY AT LAW	\$1,402.41
100	VERIZON WIRELESS/SHERIFF	\$92.53
100	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$235.29
100	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$5.34
100	WALMART COMMUNITY	\$280.87
100	WARNE CHEMICAL & EQUIPMENT CO	\$364.00

100	BOBBI WELLNTIZ	\$51.65
100	WESTERN PATHOLOGY CONSULTANTS INC	\$860.00
100	WESTERN PLAINS BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	\$97.76
100	WHITE RIVER FEED & TRAILER SALES	\$658.00
200	AFLAC	\$250.76
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$699.65
200	CATERPILLAR ACCESSACCOUNT CORP	\$3,212.35
200	DAWES COUNTY INSURANCE ACCOUNT	\$1,747.18
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$112.50
200	DEPARTMENT OF LABOR/MSHA	\$243.00
200	DIESEL POWER EQUIPMENT CO	\$420.91
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$1,908.08
200	HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	\$25.00
200	HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS	\$70.00
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$381.84
200	NEBRASKA SAFETY CENTER @ UNK	\$910.00
200	NEW GENERATION HARDWARE	\$42.05
200	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$84.73
200	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$248.00
200	QWEST	\$206.10
200	QWEST	\$18.51
200	SOURCEGAS	\$421.36
200	VALENTINE'S NIOBRARA LODGE	\$239.85

2910	TONY SERBOUSEK	\$150.00
2910	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$149.00

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