

CHADRON, NEBRASKA

September 07, 2011

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 7th day of September 2011 and published pursuant to public notice as required by law and or posted. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Johnson. Roll was called and the following Commissioners were present: Commissioners' Johnson, Stewart and Swinney. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk; Lindy Coleman, Assessor; Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney, Chris Fankhauser and Roxie Grahmn-Marski, KCSR and Roger Suhr. 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 Swinney, seconded by Stewart, approving the Agenda as presented. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Swinney and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Minutes of the August 03, 2011 meeting were reviewed. Motion by Stewart, seconded by Swinney, approving minutes as published. Roll call vote, Ayes: Swinney, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Assessor presented tax correction #'s 4576-4593 for the Boards review and approval. Motion by Swinney, seconded by Stewart, directing the Chairman to sign the corrections. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Swinney. Nays: None. Motion carried. Kerri Rempp, The Chadron Record joined the meeting.

There being no further business to be conducted by the Dawes County Board of Equalization the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 9:14 A.M. The next Dawes County Board of Equalization will be October 05, 2011 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 3:00 P.M. on September 30, 2011. 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.

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DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Cheryl Feist

Dawes County Clerk

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CHADRON, NEBRASKA

September 07, 2011

DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners meeting in regular session was commenced at the hour of 9:15 A.M. on the 7th day of September, 2011 in the Commissioner's room and 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, Stewart and Swinney. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk; Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney; Chris Fankhauser and Roxie Grahmn-Marski, KCSR; Kerri Rempp, The Chadron Record and Roger Suhr. 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 Stewart, seconded by Swinney, approving the Agenda. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Swinney and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Minutes of the August 17, 2011 meeting were reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Swinney, approving the minutes with the following correction to wit: add the word S. Belmont to District 3 dirt work should be done today. Roll call vote, Ayes: Swinney, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Minutes of the August 23, 2011 budget meeting were reviewed. Motion by Swinney, seconded by Stewart, approving minutes with the following correction to wit: the county is proposing a total of \$2,659,390.00 not \$157,840.00 as recorded with the levy to increase by two (2) cents. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Swinney. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Swinney, approving all claims with the exception of claim #'s 11090019 in the amount of \$16.65; 11090031 in the amount of \$2.22; 11090038 in the amount of \$99.90; 11090040 in the amount of \$16.65; 11090056 in the amount of \$28.86; 11090074 in the amount of \$44.40 and 11090084 in the amount of \$12.21. The mileage claims had the incorrect per mile rate. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Swinney and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:41 A.M. Roger Suhr read aloud a letter expressing appreciation to the Sheriff's Department re: burglaries. Concern was also expressed with the salary structure of Elected Officials. He feels the Sheriff has the most responsible job in county government and his pay should reflect such. He went on to say very few counties across the State pay their elected officials the same. No one was present for public comment. Commissioner Swinney introduced Resolution No. 11-2011 pledging support/cooperation to the Economic Development Certified Community Program to include a copy of NNDC's mission statement. Commissioner Stewart seconded the motion. Roll call vote, Ayes: Swinney, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board reviewed the 2011 inventory of the Extension Office and approved it by general consent of the Board.

At 9:59 A.M. Larry Hankin, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board. He presented a QWEST petition request to plow in a phone communication line on McHenry Road. Motion by Stewart, seconded by Swinney, approving the QWEST petition request and directing the Chairman to sign. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Swinney. Nays: None. Motion carried. Mr. Hankin reported shoulders are pulled and road graveled on Antelope to Long Road. The majority of mowing is done in District 1 with some done in District 2. Deadhorse Road is graveled and crews will continue graveled to Flag Butte. S. Belmont graveled is done and work will begin on Old Hwy 20. Brown Road will have some work done. He also reported there is 5,000 yards of crushed rock available for projects. He has 5 part-time people working on hauling gravel and mowing. The Board recessed at 10:18 A.M. and reconvened to regular session at 10:28 A.M.

At 10:29 A.M. Joseph Applegarth read aloud a thesis statement entitled the Chadron Police Department will inevitably be replaced by the Dawes County Sheriff's office, therefore, it is prudent for the Dawes County Commissioners to plan accordingly. By necessity police departments expire and are replaced by Sheriff Departments, thus making the office of Sheriff paramount during such exiguous times. Police Departments enforce policy. Policies are not law. The Chadron Police Department will dissolve in two years due to financial issues, therefore it is prudent the county prepare. State Troopers are henchmen for the State Government. The electoral office of Sheriff is noble as they are accountable to "We the People", thus being the only form of law enforcement that truly exemplifies the American Constitution. In other business

the Board reviewed correspondences received from Bamford, Inc. re: five year inspection on the sprinkler system. Motion by Swinney, seconded by Stewart, approving the inspection by Bamford, Inc. with the understanding they in turn provide the Board with a report of their findings. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Swinney and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Swinney, approving the appointment of Colette Fernandez as public voting member and Connie Shell as alternate for the Western Nebraska Tourism Coalition. Roll call vote, Ayes: Swinney, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. A thank you was received and acknowledged by the Board from Vicki Lawton, CAPWN Youth Services. A letter was also received from the Nebraska Crime Commission informing the Board of a recent inspection conducted in the jail facility and found it to be in compliance. John Axtel joined the meeting in progress. Sheriff Karl Dailey joined the meeting in progress and approached the Board to address the Crawford Law Enforcement agreement. Motion by Swinney, seconded by Stewart, entering into an agreement for Law Enforcement services for the community of Crawford and directing the Chairman to sign. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Swinney indicated cooperation is key to the success of the agreement. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Swinney. Nays: None. Motion carried. A copy of the agreement is available for public inspection at the County Clerk or Sheriff's office. The Sheriff explained the Civil Docket report which was approved by general consent of the Board along with District Court fees and a mileage report from the Sheriff's Department. Gary and Nancy Fisher joined the meeting in progress.

At 11:00 A.M. the Chairman declared the Public Hearing open re: 2011/2012 Dawes County budget. Gary Fisher asked what the levy will be and amount of increase in tax dollars. There being no more public input the Chairman declared the Public Hearing closed. Motion by Commissioner Swinney, seconded by Stewart, to increase the 2011/2012 restricted funds by one percent (1%). Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Swinney and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Swinney, setting the Dawes County levy at .376193 for 2011/2012 from .356193 in 2010/2011. Roll call vote, Ayes: Swinney, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 15-2011 was introduced by Commissioner Swinney, seconded by Stewart, adopting the 2011/2012 Dawes County budget. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Swinney. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 16-2011 was introduced by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Swinney, directing the Dawes County Treasurer to transfer the following amounts from General Fund: \$100,000.00 to Road Construction Fund; \$35,000.00 to Reappraisal Fund and \$3760.00 to Veteran's Aid Fund. The resolution further directs the Treasurer to transfer funds as warranted to the Roads Department not to exceed \$1,198,980.00. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Swinney and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 11:16 A.M. Dave Sands, Nebraskaland Trust, met with the Board re: Nebraskaland Trusts. Also present was Becky Paulsen, Weed Superintendent, Zoning and Floodplain Manager. Wayne Fisher joined the meeting. Mr. Sands informed the Board that Nebraskaland Trust works with private landowners to preserve agriculture, historical value and natural resources. They also work closely with the NRCS. Gary and Nancy Fisher plan to place 546 acres of land into a conservation easement through the Nebraskaland Trust. Mr. Fisher indicated he and Nancy were able to participate in the process. They don't want their land broke up into ranchettes. The land will still be used for agricultural purposes. It was learned that future development of the land will be limited to preserve the beauty of the land. The Zoning Board will review their conservation easement at their September 15, 2011 meeting with final approval by the Commissioners at their September 21, 2011 meeting. Wayne Fisher spoke briefly and indicated sometimes principal is more important than money in the long run. In other business Becky Paulsen presented a permit request by Melvin and Kitty Woodden to move a modular home onto their land. The Board reviewed the permit. Commissioner Stewart made a motion, seconded by Swinney, to approve the permit request and directing the Chairman to sign such. Roll call vote, Ayes; Swinney, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Ms. Paulsen reported all roads with the exception of Breakneck and Braddock have been sprayed for weeds. Discussion ensued regarding the recent complaints surrounding the West Plains Grain loading facility located on Highway 20. Dust and bridge weight limits were discussed. Commissioner Swinney reported he and Larry Hankin looked at the bridge in question. The bridge itself is in decent condition, however; fixing the approach on the west end would assist in reducing the weight impact from trucks crossing over it. Re-decking the bridge and reducing the speed were also discussed. Commissioner Swinney volunteered to meet with a representative of West Plains Grain and neighbor in the area to seek a resolution to the problem. Larry Hankin, Highway Superintendent will accompany Commissioner Swinney.

There being no further business before the Dawes County Board of Commissioners the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:42 P.M. The next meeting will be September 21, 2011 beginning at 9:00 A.M.

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 Friday, September 16, 2011. 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.

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DAWES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Cheryl Feist

Dawes County Clerk

September 07, 2011 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; 1275=Health Claims Fund; 2910-911=Emergency (Communications); 2913=Wireless Communications; 4000=Courthouse Bond Payment Fund.

FUND	NAME	TOTCLAIMS
100	ABSALON FOOD CENTER	\$1,739.75
100	AFLAC	\$473.43
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$5,659.32
100	ARROW BUILDING CENTER	\$124.67
100	AS CENTRAL SERVICES	\$210.50
100	AXIS CAPITAL INC	\$459.22
100	BILLIE PFEIFFER	\$235.95
100	BOX BUTTE COUNTY SHERIFF	\$5,940.00
100	CENTURYLINK	\$778.57
100	CHADRON CITY SCHOOLS	\$51.64
100	CHADRON EXPRESS LUBE	\$43.45

100	CHADRON HOME CENTER	\$59.88
100	CHADRON WHOLESALE	\$164.13
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$506.96
100	CLEO'S FLOWER BOX	\$44.50
100	CMRS-FP	\$500.00
100	COLONIAL RESEARCH CHEMICAL	\$380.39
100	SCOTT COTTON	\$272.11
100	DAWES CO TREASURER/FUND 1275	\$17,626.80
100	DAWES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$204.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$409.50
100	DIXIE EATON	\$25.00
100	ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE INC	\$938.48
100	FLEET SERVICES/EXXONMOBIL	\$101.12
100	CHERYL FEIST	\$35.00
100	FIRST BANKCARD/BARBARA J SEBESTA	\$37.86
100	FIRST BANKCARD	\$40.77
100	FIRST BANKCARD/SCOTT COTTON	\$46.76
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$9,583.30
100	GRP & ASSOCIATES,INC	\$87.00
100	HILLS TIRE & SUPPLY	\$12.50
100	HORNADY ATTN KATHY MCHALE LAW ENF	\$585.50
100	IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY,INC	\$121.20
100	IS COMMUNICATIONS & OPERATIONS	\$12.95

100	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-WEED	\$119.17
100	JAY KING	\$16.00
100	MANNA SYSTEMS AND CONSULTING	\$120.00
100	NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY INFO BUREAU	\$169.00
100	NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER	\$90.00
100	NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	\$252.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$1,057.04
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE/LEVY	\$25.00
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-E911	\$19.00
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-WEED	\$121.97
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CLERK	\$22.74
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/SHERIFF	\$77.99
100	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$36.13
100	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$72.50
100	PETERSEN DRUG	\$394.57
100	PETERSON LOCKSMITH	\$120.00
100	PHONE HOME	\$50.00
100	PROCTOR COMPANIES	\$202.78
100	QUALITY TIRE	\$15.00
100	QWEST	\$391.65
100	QWEST LONG DISTANCE-ASSESSOR	\$10.50
100	QWEST LONG DISTANCE-CLERK	\$12.90
100	QWEST LONG DISTANCE-CO ATTORNEY	\$16.72

100	QWEST LONG DISTANCE-COMMISSIONERS	\$3.61
100	QWEST LONG DISTANCE-COUNTY COURT	\$20.35
100	QWEST LONG DISTANCE-CUSTODIAN	\$2.91
100	QWEST LONG DISTANCE-DIST COURT	\$16.71
100	QWEST LONG DISTANCE-EXTENSION	\$13.00
100	QWEST LONG DISTANCE-PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$12.68
100	QWEST LONG DISTANCE-SHERIFF	\$36.97
100	QWEST LONG DISTANCE-TREASURER	\$4.95
100	QWEST LONG DISTANCE-VETERANS	\$5.87
100	QWEST LONG DISTANCE-WEED	\$2.84
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/COMMISSIONERS	\$142.85
100	SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY SHERIFF	\$21.52
100	BARBARA SEBESTA	\$18.48
100	SHELL FLEET PLUS-SHERIFF	\$120.98
100	SHELL FLEET PLUS-VETERANS	\$244.55
100	SHELL FLEET PLUS/WEED	\$2,934.56
100	SMITH,KING AND SIMMONS,PC	\$60.00
100	SOURCEGAS	\$340.38
100	ST PATRICKS CHURCH	\$75.00
100	STURDEVANT'S AUTO PARTS	\$2.49
100	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$97.79
100	VERIZON WIRELESS/SHERIFF	\$260.51
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$64.95

100	WALMART COMMUNITY	\$175.52
100	WESTERN CARTOGRAPHERS	\$700.00
100	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$925.00
100	WESTERN PATHOLOGY CONSULTANTS INC	\$905.00
100	WESTERN PLAINS BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	\$64.34
200	AFLAC	\$242.80
200	ALLIANCE TRACTOR & IMPLEMENT CO	\$175.38
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$664.88
200	BOB'S WELDING & REPAIR	\$149.99
200	CENTURYLINK	\$201.93
200	CITY OF CHADRON	\$98.75
200	DAWES CO TREASURER/FUND 1275	\$1,765.60
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$125.00
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$1,751.91
200	LAWRENCE HANKIN	\$55.50
200	HENKENS EQUIPMENT INC	\$624.68
200	HERREN BROTHERS TRUE VALUE	\$442.61
200	HILLS TIRE & SUPPLY	\$25.00
200	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-ROADS	\$36.70
200	MANNA SYSTEMS AND CONSULTING	\$1,283.73
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$326.24
200	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$45.64
200	QWEST LONG DISTANCE-DIST #1 ROADS	\$15.64

200	QWEST LONG DISTANCE-DIST #2 ROADS	\$2.84
200	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/ROADS	\$181.30
200	RESPOND FIRST AID SYSTEMS	\$20.78
200	SAMSCREEN,INC	\$727.90
200	SOURCEGAS	\$421.36
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$89.09
200	WAHLSTROM FORD INC	\$86.64
200	WALMART COMMUNITY	\$29.34
990	CERTIFIED FOLDER DISPLAY SERVICE, I	\$77.80
990	CHADRON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$3,750.00
990	CRAWFORD AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$1,750.00
990	LAMAR OUTDOOR ADVERTISING	\$165.00
990	NEBRASKA LIFE PUBLISHING, INC	\$490.00
990	NEBRASKA NORTHWEST DEVELOPMENT CORP	\$500.00
990	NEBRASKA TRAVEL ASSOCIATION	\$200.00
990	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/VISITOR PROMO	\$675.30
990	WESTERN NE TOURISM COALITION	\$2,156.23
1275	DAWES COUNTY INSURANCE ACCOUNT	\$16,915.26
2500	JOAN FRANCES CONSULTING	\$93.86
2910	CENTURYLINK	\$407.05
2910	DAKOTA BACKUP,LLC	\$277.65
2910	GENPRO POWER SYSTEMS,INC	\$1,926.71
2910	MILLENNIUM COMPUTER SYSTEMS	\$4.95

2910	PETERSEN DRUG	\$59.99
2910	TONY SERBOUSEK	\$150.00
2910	WALMART COMMUNITY/E911	\$6.41
2910	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$3,449.57
2910	XEROX CORPORATION	\$683.91

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