

CHADRON, NEBRASKA
September 12, 2017
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 9:02 A.M. on the 12th day of September, 2017 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 was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk; Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney; Mark and Myrna Betson and George Ledbetter. 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 vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Rivera, approving the minutes of the August 08, 2017 meeting with the following correction to wit: change the word July to August. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. 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 9:10 A.M. The next meeting will be held on October 10, 2017 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, October 05, 2017. 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.

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

ATTEST: _____
Cheryl Feist
Dawes County Clerk

**DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF
EQUALIZATION**

CHADRON, NEBRASKA
September 12, 2017
DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners in regular session was commenced at the hour of 9:11 A.M. on the 12th day of September, 2017 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 was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk; Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney; Mark & Myrna Betson and George Ledbetter. 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 Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, approving the amended Agenda. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, to approve the minutes of 8/22/17; 8/29/17 and 9/01/17 meetings as published. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Gary Fisher joined the meeting. Claims were reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, approving all claims and directing the County Clerk to recode claim #17090058 payable to NACO for \$50.00 to 0100-601-00-2-1700. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Correspondence acknowledged by the Board included a monthly newsletter from NCAP. Public Comment ensued with Myrna Betson inquiring if the

Board has heard how local motels are fairing with the new motel in town. Discussion ensued. In other business the Board reviewed two (2) Travel Board Grants to wit: NNDC- Pine Ridge Wild Turkey Hunt in the amount of \$500.00 and Chadron Chamber of Commerce-2nd Annual Harvest Fest in the amount of \$400.00. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, moved to approve both grants as presented to the Board. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board reviewed the 2017 Inventory of the County Surveyor. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, moved to accept and approve the County Surveyor's 2017 Inventory as presented. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. A surplus request from three (3) departments was reviewed by the Board. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, moved to surplus the listed items and directed the County Clerk to sell the items listed by sealed bid. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Sealed bids will be accepted in the Clerk's Office during normal business hours until 4:30 P.M. on October 09, 2017. A listing of the items to be sold can be found on SWAP Shop or obtained from the Clerk's Office. Three (3) bids were received for the used 2012 Dodge Caravan to wit: Delores Huggett-\$4600.00; Paris Fisher Auto Sales-\$5800.00 and Auto Trucks & More-\$4014.00. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, moved to award the sealed bid to Paris Fisher Auto Sales in the amount of \$5800.00. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson and Rivera with Stewart abstaining from the vote. Nays: None. Motion carried. The County Clerk announced the date for the Panhandle District Meeting to be held on September 27, 2017 in Bridgeport, NE. The Board recessed at 9:40 A.M. and reconvened to regular session at 9:45 A.M. The Veteran Service Officer requested permission to have his secretary apply for a Notary. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, moved to grant permission for the Veteran's Office secretary to obtain her notary. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:50 A.M. Larry Hankin, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board. Road updates included the following to wit: District 1- Airport Road work will start and Mr. Hankin will be meeting with the City of Chadron re: curb & gutter installed on Airport Road. District 2- Table Center Road and Cottonwood School Roads had culverts replaced. Commissioner Rivera inquired about washboards on Table Center Road. Bridges on Country Club and Whitney Lake Roads were cleaned and are ready to be inspected. Crews also cleaned the channel on a bridge on Hawthorne Road. District 3-Fracture Critical bridge cleaning done. Gary Fisher asked where the County was at with the Lemmon Bridge project. Mr. Hankin reported Scottsbluff County is the lead County on the project and we are waiting on them to do their part. Crews are still working at Johnson's pit. The 966 has brake issues so Mr. Hankin obtained a repair quote from NMC (Nebraska Machine Company) in the amount of \$16,000.00. The Board told him to proceed with necessary repairs on the 966. Fred McCartney, Forest Service, joined the meeting. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, moved to authorize the Highway Superintendent to sign the FFPP (Federal Funds Purchase Program) certification. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Fred McCartney reported he and Larry had discussed the possibility of a RFP (Request for Proposal) to conduct fuels reduction in County Right-of-Ways. The County would cover the costs upfront and a federal grant can be applied for with seventy-five percent (75%) of the costs being reimbursed. The Board told Mr. Hankin to proceed. Wayne Fisher joined the meeting. Reclassification of North Shore Drive was discussed at length. Plans are to move Federal Route 1190 around North Shore Drive by continuing the current route into sections 23 & 24, then turning south on Lone Tree Road. Mr. Hankin will start the paperwork process. Four (4) Road Study Resolutions directing the Highway Superintendent to study roads for possible closure were adopted to wit: Commissioner Johnson introduced Resolution No. 2017-18-Heesacker Road, commencing at the Northeast corner of Section 25, Township 32 North, Range 47 West of the 6th P.M., Dawes County Nebraska, then running south on the east section line of Section 25 a distance of approximately 1950' where road ends into a private driveway. Commissioner Rivera seconded the motion. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Rivera introduced Resolution No. 2017-19-Hawthorne Road, Portion of Hawthorne Road commencing in the Northeast ¼ of Section 36, Township 33 North, Range 50 West of the 6th P.M., Dawes County Nebraska where road intersects with State Highway 20, then running east approximately 5200' ending in the Northeast ¼ of Section 31, Township 33 North, Range 49 West. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Johnson introduced Resolution No.

2017-20-Arner Road, Portion of Arner Road commencing at the corners of Sections 27,28,33 and 34, Township 33 North, Range 50 West of the 6th P.M., Dawes County Nebraska, then running south on the section line between Sections 33 and 34 a distance of 3960' all in Township 33 North, Range 50 West. Commissioner Rivera seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Rivera introduced Resolution No. 2017-21-Lawrence Road, Portion of Lawrence Road commencing at the corners of Sections 8,9,16 and 17, Township 32 North, Range 51 West of the 6th P.M., Dawes County Nebraska, then running east on the section line between sections 9 and 16 a distance of approximately 1900' in Township 32 North, Range 51 West. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Mark Haynes joined the meeting.

At 11:12 A.M. Tim Buskirk, Nebraska National Forest, met with the Board. He reported fire help has been sent to California and Montana so they are running on a skeleton crew. Fire restrictions will remain in force for another month. The eclipse activities went well, Campground receipts doubled during the eclipse. Many roads have been rocked by the Forest Service this summer. He also reported there are more vacancies in the Forest Service Office. Discussion ensued re: funding to do fuels reductions in County right-of-ways. He told the Board to keep him in the loop as the project moves forward.

At 11:30 A.M. Commissioner Stewart declared the Public Hearing open to hear comments, input, etc. regarding the 2017/2018 Dawes County budget. George Ledbetter asked about the levy, Assessor value for Dawes County and tax dollar request for 2017/2018. Other changes made to the 2017/2018 budget include hiring two (2) full-time positions in the Sheriff's Department, two (2) full-time positions in the Roads Department with Commissioner Johnson indicating for the record the part-time positions will be phased out due to lack of interest. Gary Fisher inquired about the UNL contract. Commissioner Stewart reported Dawes County agreed to a two (2) year contract at 80/20 match the first year and 90/10 match the second year. Mark Betson asked about the Roads Department using comp time in lieu of overtime. Commissioner Stewart indicated crew members use compensation time when they can but are also paid overtime. Mark Haynes asked about the available resources before the tax request. Gary Fisher asked about the \$200,000.00 disbursement from Inheritance Fund. This money was used to pay for the Bump building at 342 Main St. to house Region 23 Emergency Management, Veterans Office and Doves Program. These entities will begin paying rent to Dawes County. Casey Shuhmacher asked about the Viper project and wanted to know why the Roads Department is getting new radios. Commissioner Stewart indicated upgrades in both cases. Discussion ensued re: contracting rock/freight pricing. Mark Haynes asked why we budget 25% more then we expend. Commissioner Johnson indicated there needs to be some cushion in the event we have an unexpected trial or expenses as the county tries to avoid using the Inheritance Fund where possible. There being no further comment from the Public, Commissioner Johnson moved to close the Public Hearing at 11:58 A.M. Commissioner Rivera seconded the motion. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. The following resolutions were adopted by the Board. Resolution No. 2017-22 was introduced by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, establishing Petty Cash funds in the Clerk and County Court offices. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2017-23 was introduced by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, increasing restricted funds by 1%. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2017-24 was introduced by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, appropriating funds to the various departments for fiscal year 2017/2018. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2017-25 was introduced by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, setting the tax rate at .360715 with a property tax asking of \$3,126,410.00. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2017-26 was introduced by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, granting the Treasurer authority to transfer funds from General Fund to the Roads Fund as needed, not to exceed \$587,880.00 for fiscal year 2017/2018. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2017-27 was introduced by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, directing the Treasurer to transfer \$5000.00 from General Fund to the Veterans Aid Fund. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 12:10 P.M there being no further business before the Board, the Chairman adjourned the meeting. The next meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners will be September 26, 2017 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., September 21, 2017.

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ATTEST: _____
Cheryl Feist
Dawes County Clerk

DAWES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

September 12, 2017 the following claims were audited, allowed and warrant orders drawn on the 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	\$895.57
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$8,821.83
100	ARBOR DAY FARM-LIED LODGE	\$808.00
100	AT&T	\$47.87
100	BAUERKEMPER'S INC	\$14.00
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-EXTENSION	\$37.00
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-SHERIFF	\$916.60
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-VETERANS	\$166.89
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-WEED	\$912.58
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$144.84
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$31,156.11
100	BRAD'S TRUCK SERVICE	\$262.01
100	BRANDT COURT REPORTING	\$640.16
100	BRENNAN ELECTRIC	\$580.00
100	CENTURYLINK	\$1,300.99
100	CHADRON ACE HARDWARE	\$91.01
100	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$102.90
100	CHADRON LOCK	\$160.00
100	CHADRON MEDICAL CLINIC	\$117.00
100	CHADRON MOTOR COMPANY	\$40.85
100	CHADRON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	\$50.46
100	CHAMBERLAIN CHAPEL INC	\$2,595.00
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$671.62
100	CONNECTING POINT	\$280.36
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$384.80
100	SANDI CRILE	\$40.00
100	CULLIGAN-DIST COURT	\$11.50
100	CULLIGAN-ASSESSOR	\$23.00
100	CULLIGAN-WEED	\$5.75
100	D&S MARKET,LLC	\$1,344.64
100	RUEL DANNER	\$1,315.00

100	DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	\$202.93
100	DAWES CO TREAS/DELINQUENT PP TAXES	\$310.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$457.00
100	DIXIE EATON	\$25.00
100	ENGRAVERS	\$1,350.00
100	FIRE & ICE MECHANICAL	\$130.00
100	FIRST BANKCARD/CHERYL FEIST	\$3.00
100	FIRST BANKCARD/DISTRICT COURT	\$37.00
100	FIRST BANKCARD/EXTENSION	\$134.26
100	FIRST BANKCARD/RHONDA SCHLEUNING	\$29.73
100	FIRST BANKCARD/ROBERTA COLEMAN	\$76.27
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$16,363.70
100	FP MAILING SOLUTIONS	\$110.85
100	GALLS	\$28.99
100	GOSHEN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$50.00
100	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$367.64
100	HENCEY PLUMBING & HYDRONICS,INC	\$375.00
100	HILLS TIRE & SUPPLY	\$601.47
100	JAEGER LAW OFFICE	\$1,100.00
100	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-WEED	\$24.48
100	KCSR-AM	\$405.00
100	TERRI LEMMON	\$121.80
100	MANNA SYSTEMS AND CONSULTING	\$892.00
100	MIDWEST SPECIAL SERVICES	\$675.00
100	MINNEHAHA COUNTY SHERIFF	\$62.00
100	MIPS INC	\$3,283.41
100	NACO	\$50.00
100	NE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEM	\$93.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$1,703.12
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE/LEVY	\$25.00
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-E911	\$26.75
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-WEED	\$189.98
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$2,658.31
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CLERK	\$907.46
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CO ATTORNEY	\$30.00
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/COUNTY COURT	\$75.28
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/EXTENSION	\$3.54
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/SHERIFF	\$158.06
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/TREASURER	\$57.88
100	NORM'S NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$96.84
100	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$44.94
100	OFFICE TIME SAVERS, INC	\$213.26
100	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$33.59
100	PC PITSTOP,INC	\$172.64
100	QUALITY TIRE	\$47.88
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL-WEBSITE	\$99.00
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/COMMISSIONERS	\$557.82
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/SHERIFF	\$62.95

100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/TREASURER	\$130.40
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/VETERANS	\$76.00
100	RELIABLE PAINTING, LLC	\$1,150.00
100	CHARLENE ROBERTS	\$33.02
100	SADDLE ROCK ONE STOP	\$899.22
100	SCOTT ROBERTS ELECTRIC INC	\$139.69
100	SHERIDAN COUNTY COURT	\$2.25
100	SMITH,KING AND SIMMONS,PC	\$660.00
100	JACOB STEWART	\$161.00
100	TRANSUNION RISK AND ALTERNATIVE	\$25.00
100	VERIZON WIRELESS/COUNTY ATTORNEY	\$163.99
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$248.79
100	WALMART COMMUNITY-WEED	\$182.35
100	WAYFAIR LLC	\$1,922.05
100	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$462.50
100	XEROX CORPORATION/E911	\$1,724.56
100	XEROX CORPORATION/TREASURER	\$14.00
200	AFLAC	\$246.58
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$1,139.81
200	BAUERKEMPER'S INC	\$35.70
200	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$81.74
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$1,915.51
200	BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	\$523.81
200	CENTURYLINK	\$399.82
200	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$125.00
200	CHARLIE'S GARAGE	\$247.18
200	DALE CHASEK	\$1,716.00
200	CITY OF CHADRON	\$104.40
200	CITY OF CRAWFORD	\$114.95
200	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$37.00
200	DALE'S TIRE AND RETREADING,INC	\$7,063.00
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$55.00
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$4,299.87
200	FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER,INC	\$11.60
200	GRIMM'S PUMP AND INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY	\$398.35
200	H&H SANITATION AND RECYCLING,INC	\$53.50
200	LAWRENCE HANKIN	\$69.02
200	HERREN BROTHERS TRUE VALUE	\$111.40
200	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-ROADS	\$530.88
200	MATHESON LINWELD INC	\$29.36
200	MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES,INC	\$1,132.61
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$783.77
200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$81.35
200	NORM'S NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$1,234.07
200	NORTH AMERICAN TRUCK AND TRAILER,IN	\$315.34
200	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$550.07
200	POWERPLAN	\$7,659.88
200	QUALITY TIRE	\$9,438.56
200	RDO TRUCK CENTER	\$171.28

200	SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY	\$100.00
200	STURDEVANT'S AUTO PARTS	\$421.63
200	SUMMIT SIGNS & SUPPLY,INC	\$117.00
200	VERIZON WIRELESS/ROADS	\$214.00
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$97.87
200	WALMART COMMUNITY-ROADS	\$57.15
200	WEST RIVER INTERNATIONAL INC	\$411.39
200	XEROX CORPORATION/ROADS	\$88.62
990	AFLAC	\$15.47
990	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$63.92
990	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$88.17
990	COX/JOHNSON CORPORATION	\$750.00
990	CRAWFORD AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$1,500.00
990	EAGLE COMMUNICATIONS INC	\$220.00
990	FIRST BANKCARD/TOURISM	\$512.21
990	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$204.24
990	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$36.17
990	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/TOURISM	\$136.30
990	NEBRASKALAND MAGAZINE	\$300.00
990	OLD WEST TRAILS RODEO	\$3,500.00
990	POST PLAYHOUSE	\$2,500.00
990	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/VISITOR PROMO	\$29.46
990	WESTERN NE TOURISM COALITION	\$2,454.11
995	CHADRON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$300.00
995	CRAWFORD AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$1,750.00
995	FIRESRING PRINT INC	\$2,016.50
1900	VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE	\$96.00
2910	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$3.38
2910	BAUERKEMPER'S INC	\$61.99
2910	CENTURYLINK	\$199.98
2910	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$16.50
2910	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$295.69
2910	INTRALINKS,INC	\$295.00
2910	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$3.35
2910	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$1,039.00
2913	CENTURYLINK	\$633.26
2913	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$287.19