

CHADRON, NEBRASKA
May 12, 2015
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 8:35 A.M. on the 12th day of May, 2015 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 and 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. Minutes of the April 14, 2015 meeting were reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, approving the minutes as published. Roll call, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Correspondence regarding a TERC case with Liberty Holdings was discussed. Commissioner Johnson moved to authorize Joe Stecher and Adam Edmund to settle (3) three TERC cases with Liberty Holdings; Case #'s 12C-033; 13C-152 and 14C-092 on behalf of Dawes County. Commissioner Rivera seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Barbara Sebesta, County Treasurer, presented one (1) vehicle exemption application re: 2005 Chevrolet Bus, Christ Community Church in Crawford for the Boards review and approval. Upon review of the vehicle exemption application request and ensuring all paperwork was in order, Commissioner Johnson moved to approve the vehicle exemption application of Christ Community Church. Commissioner Rivera seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Cheryl Dunn, Deputy Assessor, joined the meeting. She presented tax correction # 4942 for the Boards review and approval. Commissioner Rivera moved to approve tax correction # 4942 and directed the Chairman to sign. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. Roll was called, 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 8:45 A.M. The next meeting will be held on June 09, 2015 at 8:30 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 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, June 04, 2015. 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: _____
Cheryl Feist
Dawes County Clerk

**DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF
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CHADRON, NEBRASKA
May 12, 2015
DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners in regular session was commenced at the hour of 8:46 A.M. on the 12th day of May, 2015 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 was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk and Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney. 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. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays:

None. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, approving the April 28, 2015 minutes with the following correction to wit: the word pulling instead of milling. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed. Chris Fankhauser, KCSR, joined the meeting. Kerri Rempp, The Chadron Record, joined the meeting. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, approving all claims with the exception of Claim #15050063 payable to River A Holdings. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart, approving Claim #15050063 payable to River A Holdings. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson and Stewart. Abstaining: Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. No one appeared for public comment.

At 9:14 A.M. Justin Haag and Lynette Trylick, Tourism Board Members, approached the Board. Mr. Haag reported the Tourism Board has hired a marketing firm. He informed the Board with the resignation of the former Chamber Director the Tourism Board has lost someone who was instrumental in promoting the entire Panhandle. The Tourism Board would like to hire a full-time Tourism Director for our area and discussed the benefits of having this position. George Ledbetter, Tourism Board, joined the meeting in progress. He presented a financial statement showing revenues and expenditures of the Tourism Board. Mike Kesslering, Tourism Board, joined the meeting. He presented a regional attraction map to Board Members. Discussion ensued re: salary, office space, benefits, etc. Commissioner Rivera reported starting salaries in Kimball County are \$36,000.00; Keith County-\$30,000.00 and Cheyenne County-\$31,000.00. The Tourism Board budgets would cover the salary, a portion of the retirement and health benefits offered. Office Staff wouldn't be necessary at this time according to Kesslering as volunteers currently fill this need. He went on to say he feels the Tourism Board has created a regional effort in promoting the Pine Ridge area. Supervision would be done by the Dawes County Board Chairperson with input from neighboring County Board Chairpersons. The Chamber of Commerce has offered office space, a dedicated phone line and internet for use by the Tourism Director. The Dawes County Board of Commissioners informed those present they support the Tourism Board's efforts in moving forward with hiring a Tourism Director. A special meeting will be held by the Tourism Board to discuss a job description, set a salary and calculate benefits/retirement needs. They will report back to the Board of Commissioners with updates. Also discussed was the by-laws recently updated. The Board recessed at 10:01 A.M. and reconvened to regular session at 10:11 A.M.

At 10:12 A.M. Larry Hankin, Road Superintendent, met with the Board. Also present was Stacy Swinney. Two proposals to conduct bridge inspections for Dawes County were received to wit: Stacy Swinney-\$130.00 per bridge inspected and an optional sufficiency rating report as needed on bridges at a cost of \$125.00 per bridge. Mr. Swinney and Mr. Hankin informed the Board by having the sufficiency rating reports on file Dawes County will be in line to receive State funding. Larry McCaslin Consulting-\$160.00 per bridge on Timber, Steel Girder, Concrete Deck Channel; \$150.00 per bridge on concrete/metal culverts and \$80.00 on bridge over railroad. Also included in the proposal was an additional 25% for training. The Board asked Mr. Swinney if his proposal included training. He responded yes at no additional cost. Commissioner Johnson moved to accept both proposals and awarding the bid to Stacy Swinney at \$130.00 per bridge inspected fiscal year 2015-2016. Commissioner Rivera seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Road Updates included the following to wit: All districts have been plowing snow and blading. District 1-finished graveling on West Dakota Junction Road and hauling gravel on Slim Buttes Road; District 2-blading and snow removal, culvert repair work was done on the south end of Camp Norwesca Road; District 3-blading and snow removal, dozing rock off Smith Road and cleaned tree debris out of bridge on Squaw Creek Road. Equipment repairs are being done and Mr. Hankin informed the Board that several roads will be closed starting today due to flooding issues. Mr. Hankin informed the Board he has been approached to cost share the parking lot located behind 250 Main Street. Discussion ensued. As this parking lot is for public parking the county doesn't feel obligated to cost share. Mr. Hankin reported Gary Bacon, Roads Department, was instrumental in rescuing a citizen on Egan Road during the recent storm. The next order of business was review and approval of the budget contract for 2015-2016. Upon review, Commissioner Johnson moved to contract with Harold "Pete" Peterson in the amount of \$2,000.00 to prepare the 2015-2016 county budgets. Commissioner Rivera seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner's Stewart and Johnson

will be attending the EPA hearing being conducted at Chadron State College to testify re: EPA's proposed 30 year monitoring of water quality when mining ends by Crow Butte Resources. Commissioner Johnson reported Chamberlain Chapel has requested clarification regarding the Dawes County Burial Policy. Discussion ensued. By going to cremation services only the county could save approximately \$1,000.00 per incident. Commissioner Johnson moved to offer cremation services only at a cost of \$2595.00 effective immediately. Commissioner Rivera seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board instructed the County Clerk to contact Amir Azimi, HHS, to request a copy of the current contract on the building that houses all HHS offices in Chadron.

At 10:55 A.M. Commissioner Johnson moved to enter executive session to discuss a building purchase. Commissioner Rivera seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. At 11:09 A.M. Commissioner Johnson moved to reconvene to regular session. Commissioner Rivera seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. No action was taken during executive session. Commissioner Johnson moved to authorize the Chairman to offer \$169,000.00 for the building located at 342 Main Street in Chadron. Commissioner Rivera seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Johnson moved to enter executive session at 11:15 A.M. to meet with the Dawes County Treasurer on a personnel matter. Commissioner Rivera seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Also present was Lacy Troester, HR Director. Commissioner Johnson moved to reconvene to regular session at 12:16 P.M. Commissioner Rivera seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. No action was taken during executive session. The Board reviewed and approved by general consent the monthly fee/mileage reports of the various offices. The Board recessed at 12:18 P.M. and reconvened at 4:00 P.M.

There being no further business before the Board, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 4:00 P.M. The next meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners will be May 26, 2015 beginning at 8:30 A.M. The meeting will be held in the Commissioner's room at the Courthouse. A current agenda is available at the Clerk's Office during normal business hours but will close at 2:00 P.M. May 21, 2015.
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: _____
 Cheryl Feist
 Dawes County Clerk

DAWES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

May 12, 2015 the following claims were audited, allowed and warrant orders drawn on their respective accounts: Key for Claims: 100=General Fund; 200=Roads 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	\$531.43
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$7,154.21
100	AT&T	\$40.09
100	RICHARD BARTLETT	\$6.67
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-SHERIFF	\$642.55
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-VETERANS	\$190.63
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-WEED	\$105.95
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$27,676.28
100	CENTURYLINK	\$940.88
100	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL &	\$558.20

	HEALTH	
100	CHADRON EXPRESS LUBE	\$99.41
100	CHADRON MEDICAL CLINIC	\$382.00
100	CHADRON MOTOR COMPANY	\$42.14
100	CHADRON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	\$100.92
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$330.28
100	CLERK OF DIST COURT ASSOCIATION	\$75.00
100	COLONIAL RESEARCH CHEMICAL	\$136.62
100	ALAN P CONNELL	\$20.00
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$276.20
100	D&S MARKET,LLC	\$2,221.86
100	KARL DAILEY	\$39.96
100	DAWES COUNTY DISTRICT COURT	\$414.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$371.00
100	DOLLAR GENERAL	\$40.50
100	DOWNNS RURAL SERVICE	\$774.50
100	DIXIE EATON	\$25.00
100	CHERYL FEIST	\$262.41
100	FIRST BANKCARD	\$18.25
100	FIRST BANKCARD/EXTENSION	\$6.83
100	FIRST BANKCARD/HR DEPT	\$14.93
100	FIRST BANKCARD/PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$72.86
100	FIRST BANKCARD/WEED DEPT	\$58.40
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$11,336.98
100	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$520.14
100	HI-TECH CAR CARE	\$37.75
100	IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY,INC	\$36.40
100	INTELLICORP RECORDS,INC	\$216.85
100	KCSR-AM	\$160.00
100	TERRI LEMMON	\$11.74
100	MIPS INC	\$3,204.27
100	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$60.00
100	NACO	\$235.00
100	NE COUNTY ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION	\$940.00
100	NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	\$630.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$1,026.88
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE/LEVY	\$25.00
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-E911	\$21.00
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-WEED	\$157.33
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$1,309.43
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CO ATTORNEY	\$89.48
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/COUNTY COURT	\$35.00
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/EXTENSION	\$215.17
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/PUBLIC DEFEND	\$255.65
100	NEVE'S UNIFORMS INC	\$110.28
100	NIRMA	\$324.00
100	NOTARY PUBLIC UNDERWRITERS	\$285.00

100	PESTS GO	\$35.00
100	PET AND PLAYGROUND PRODUCTS	\$215.74
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/COMMISSIONERS	\$221.65
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/TREASURER	\$59.40
100	REGIONAL WEST MEDICAL CENTER	\$1,184.20
100	RESPOND FIRST AID SYSTEMS	\$78.79
100	RIVER A HOLDING LLC	\$150.16
100	SADDLE ROCK ONE STOP	\$598.69
100	SHERWIN WILLIAMS	\$639.29
100	SKAVDAHL & EDMUND	\$5,186.30
100	SMITH,KING AND SIMMONS,PC	\$540.40
100	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$125.26
100	VIAERO WIRELESS-SHERIFF	\$265.30
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$182.21
100	WALMART COMMUNITY	\$58.42
100	WESTERN PATHOLOGY CONSULTANTS INC	\$3,325.00
100	JON WORTHMAN LAW OFFICE	\$806.50
100	XEROX CORPORATION	\$558.44
200	AFLAC	\$220.11
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$937.75
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$2,255.34
200	BRAD'S TRUCK SERVICE	\$245.45
200	BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	\$94.67
200	CENTURYLINK	\$189.83
200	CENTURYLINK-CABLE CUT	\$864.46
200	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$60.00
200	CHADRON LUMBER COMPANY INC	\$37.96
200	CITY OF CHADRON	\$100.49
200	CITY OF CRAWFORD	\$107.71
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$55.00
200	FIRST BANKCARD/LARRY HANKIN	\$47.56
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$2,968.23
200	H&H SANITATION AND RECYCLING,INC	\$53.50
200	HERREN BROTHERS TRUE VALUE	\$29.54
200	HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS	\$249.00
200	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-ROADS	\$46.71
200	MATHESON LINWELD INC	\$47.79
200	MEDICAL ENTERPRISES,INC	\$31.00
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$481.21
200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$67.54
200	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/ROADS	\$187.94
200	NORM'S NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$681.43
200	POWERPLAN	\$2,641.65
200	QUALITY TIRE	\$847.00
200	STURDEVANT'S AUTO PARTS	\$11.41
200	VERIZON WIRELESS/ROADS	\$218.12
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$113.23
990	CRAWFORD AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$1,750.00

990	LAMAR OUTDOOR ADVERTISING	\$610.00
990	MALY MARKETING	\$3,550.00
990	NEBRASKA LIFE PUBLISHING, INC	\$446.50
990	NEBRASKA TRAVEL ASSOCIATION	\$70.00
990	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$40.00
990	POSTMASTER	\$84.00
1900	VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE	\$80.00
2910	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$269.18
2910	TONY SERBOUSEK	\$150.00
2913	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$203.72