

CHADRON, NEBRASKA

July 01, 2009

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 8:05 A.M. on the 1st day of June, 2009 in the Commissioners Room pursuant to public notice as required by law and or posted. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Blausey. Roll was called and the following Commissioners were present: Commissioners' Blausey and Wess with Johnson absent. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk and Lindy Coleman, Assessor. Per LB 898 the Chairman announced the location of posted information concerning the Open Meetings Act located in the Commissioners room. Copies of the Act are available upon request by anyone attending the meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present. Motion by Wess, seconded by Blausey, approving the Agenda as presented. Roll call vote, Ayes: Wess and Blausey. Nays: None. Motion carried. Minutes of the June 02, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Motion by Wess, seconded by Blausey, approving minutes as published. Roll call vote, Ayes: Blausey and Wess. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Johnson joined the meeting in progress. Lindy Coleman presented tax correction #'s 4392-4408. The Board reviewed the corrections with the Assessor. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Wess, directing the Chairman to sign the tax corrections. Roll call vote, Ayes: Wess, Johnson and Blausey. Nays: None. Motion carried.

In other business the Board and Assessor discussed protocol for the 2009 BOE Valuation Protest hearings scheduled for July 20, 2009. The Assessor will be sworn into record and all individuals scheduled to appear will be sworn into record. All hearings will be held in the old County Courtroom in the basement of the Courthouse.

There being no further business to be conducted by the Dawes County Board of Equalization a motion to adjourn at 8:24 A.M. was made by Commissioner Wess, seconded by Johnson. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Blausey and Wess. Nays: None. Motion carried. A current Agenda to the Board of Equalization proceedings is kept on file in the County Clerks office during normal business hours for inspection, but the Agenda will normally close by 4:00 P.M. on the Friday preceding the Board meeting on Wednesday. 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: _____

DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF

Cheryl Feist

EQUALIZATION

Dawes County Clerk

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CHADRON, NEBRASKA

July 01, 2009

DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners meeting in regular session was commenced at the hour of 8:26 A.M. on the 1st day of July, 2009 in the Commissioners Room and published pursuant to public notice as required by law. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Blausey. Roll was called and the following Commissioners were present:

Commissioners' Blausey, Wess and Johnson. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk. Per LB 898 the Chairman announced the location of posted information concerning the Open Meetings Act located in the Commissioner Room. 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 Johnson, seconded by Wess, approving the Agenda. Roll call vote, Ayes: Wess, Johnson and Blausey. Nays: None. Motion carried. Minutes of the June 17, 2009 Commissioner Meeting were reviewed by the Board. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Wess, approving the minutes as published. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Blausey and Wess. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Wess, approving all claims as submitted. Roll call vote, Ayes: Blausey, Wess and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no one from the general public appearing for public comment, Jay King, Custodian, approached the Board. Mr. King presented two estimates re: tree/bush removal in the courtyard. S&J Construction submitted an estimate in the amount of \$500.00 and Bills Tree and Landscaping submitted an estimate in the amount of \$700.00. Jeff Kerley joined the meeting in progress. Discussion ensued. The Custodian will contact S & J to provide the service.

At 9:12 A.M. Harvey Keim, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board. Two trenching requests were presented for approval. Northwest Rural Public Power requested permission to trench across River and Mansfield Roads to install power lines. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Wess, directing the Chairman to sign the requests. Roll call vote, Ayes: Wess, Johnson and Blausey. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 16-2009 was introduced by Commissioner Wess, seconded by Johnson, directing the Highway Superintendent to study the closure of ¼ mile of Barber Road (also known as Road No. 23) to the Honerkamp residence. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Blausey and Wess. Nays: None. Motion carried. Mr. Keim reported general maintenance continues on roads. The Board also learned Mr. Keim has passed the first series of tests involved with LPA training.

At 9:34 A.M. Jeff Fankhauser, Veteran Service Officer, met with the Board. Mr. Fankhauser requested a part-time Secretary and new VSO van. The Board reviewed Mr. Fankhauser 09/10 operating requests. George Ledbetter joined the meeting in progress. It was determined the VSO van will not be replaced fiscal year 09/10 but will be considered at a later date. The Board visited with Mr. Fankhauser about a part-time Secretary. Currently if Mr. Fankhauser has to be gone he is forced to close the office. The Board indicated they would visit with Mr. Keim to see if he is in need of a Secretary. If so, the position could be shared by the two offices. Mr. Fankhauser also reported Sioux County will soon be less a Veteran Service Officer and suggested an inter-local agreement for these services be considered. Mr. Fankhauser was directed to research the needs of Sioux County Veterans and find out what Sioux County wants to do. In other business the Board learned the county website which is hosted by the City of Chadron, will be framed for advertising by Vendors. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Wess will find out if these Vendors will pay a fee to have their advertising frame the county website. Closure of the Relief/Medical and Institutions Funds was discussed. The County Clerk indicated the State Auditor wants counties to start looking at closure of funds that could be set up in the General Fund as opposed to being separate fund(s). This issue will be addressed with the County Budget Coordinator. A NIRMA Self-Defense course will be offered on August 6 and 7, 2009 in Kearney. The seminar will touch on Safety Committee issues, personnel issues, etc. Dawes County will send a representative to the seminar. Correspondences included the NIRMA Self-Defense announcement; SWANN re: BOD meeting minutes; Nebraska Department of Health/Human Services re: notice of child support incentive payment and a letter from Jack Honerkamp re: closure of a portion of Barber Road. Monthly fee reports of the County Treasurer and Sheriff's Department were reviewed and approved by general consent of the Board.

At 10:15 A.M. Tony Serbousek, Communications Director and Chief Lordino, Chadron Police Department, met with the Board. Mr. Serbousek updated the Board re: communications. It was learned dropped calls are an issue with the new communications equipment. Viper wiring to different phone lines may be part of the problem. Chief Lordino indicated this needs to be addressed and soon. The warranty on the equipment is still good for three more years, however; once the warranty ends all maintenance costs will become the county's responsibility. A State wide radio communications system is in place and training will be forth coming. Access through the internet will also be possible with this new radio communication system. Another repeater system is being implemented. Chief Lordino expanded on the repeater system and its function. It was learned a wireless connection as opposed to Qwest circuit lines could save the county money once implemented. The reflector tower west of town will be used in the project. The Chief indicated Homeland Security funding will be looked at to help defray the costs associated with the project. The Board then reviewed the 09/10 operating requests for the 911 Fund and Communications Center.

At 11:19 A.M. Lois Chizek, Treasurer, met with the Board. Two pledged collateral changes were presented to the Board. First National Bank of Chadron called a (Fannie Mae) pledged security and issued a new pledged security (Freddie Mac). Resolution No. 17-2009 introduced by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Wess was adopted approving the change. Roll call vote, Ayes: Blausey, Wess and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. First National Bank of North Platte called a pledged security and issued a letter of credit. Resolution No. 18-2009 introduced by Commissioner Wess and seconded by Commissioner Johnson was adopted approving the change. Roll call vote, Ayes: Wess, Johnson and Blausey. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 11:25 A.M. Becky Paulsen, Weed Superintendent and Zoning Administrator, met with the Board. She reported the meeting on wind tower regulations went well and suggestions will be shared with the zoning board. Two

trailers have been removed from Applegarths land south of town and only one trailer remains. It was also learned the Nebraska Department of Health will be addressing health/safety issues surrounding a trailer park in the county.

At 11:36 A.M. Janice German, Dawes County Abstract and Title, Inc. met with the Board. Ms. German presented a proposal to update all road records, road maps, etc. Discussion ensued. This project will take some time to complete and the County Surveyor has offered his services as well. Motion by Wess, seconded by Johnson, to contract with Dawes County Abstract and Title, Inc. to conduct the necessary research in updating all road records and maps. Roll call vote, Ayes: Wess, Johnson and Blausey. Nays: None. Motion carried. Expenses involved in researching all road records, maps, etc. will be budgeted for through the Roads Department. In other business she reported she has been in contact with Adam Edmund re: Hough Road. She will look into this matter as well.

The Board recessed at 11:58 A.M. to tour the communications equipment/office located at the Chadron Police Department. They reconvened at 12:10 P.M. and recessed again at 12:35 P.M.

At 1:10 P.M. the Board reconvened and 09/10 budget operating expenses were reviewed with the various Department Heads to wit:

Harvey Keim-Engineering service costs will increase due to the State requiring an Engineer to sign off on all projects implemented by the Roads Department. Cuts were made in gravel, culverts, steel products and fuel line items.

Lindy Coleman-Cuts were made in dues, subscription line items.

Sharon Harrison-The District Judge budget will see a significant increase in District Court costs and Juror fees fiscal year 09/10 due to Jury Trial(s) set. There were no major changes made to the Clerk of District budget. Some line items were increased in Ms. Harrison's budget based on prior year expenditures.

Lori Miskimins-Cuts were made in telephone, County Court costs, Juror fees and Court appointed counsel-prosecution line items.

Becky Paulsen-A Zoning Fund will be set up to separate and track expenditures between the Weed Department and the Zoning.

Lois Chizek-No major changes to operating expenses. Some line items were increased based upon prior year expenditures.

Vance Haug, Stacy McCartney and Lisa Hughes-Federal incentive money was discussed at length. These funds are to be used to supplement the Child Support Enforcement budget. A line item was added to the budget so some of the expenditures incurred by the Child Support Enforcement office can be paid out of incentive money. No major changes were made to the County Attorney budget. The Drug Fund budget line items were reduced as the fund is rarely used but required by State Statute. The Alcohol and Drug Abuse Fund line items were reduced.

Scott Cotton-The Extension budget was reviewed. Some minor changes were made in travel line items. Mr. Cotton suggested it might be more cost effective for his office to rent autos' through UNL. This something the Board will need to consider in the future.

Paul Wess-Cuts were made to dues, subscriptions and deposition line items.

Cheryl Feist-Cuts were made to the telephone, travel, supplies line items in the Clerks budget. Cuts were made to printing costs and travel in the Election budget.

In other business the Board went through the Miscellaneous, Grants, HHS, Visitors Promotion and County Board budgets. The ADA Fund will possibly be closed out. A line item will be added to the Courthouse Project Fund to budget for more improvements to the Courthouse. The Sheriff/Jail operating budgets will be scheduled for the July 16, 2009 Commissioner Meeting. Once all budget operating expenses have been reviewed with all Officials, they will be forwarded to the Budget Coordinator. The Clerk was instructed to set up a conference call with the Budget Coordinator to discuss closing the ADA Fund, closing and moving the Relief/Medical and Institutions Funds to the General Fund.

At 5:40 P.M. There being no further business to address Commissioner Wess made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Johnson. Roll call vote: Ayes: Johnson, Blausey and Wess. Nays: None. Motion carried. The next regular meeting of the Board will be July 16, 2009 beginning at 8:00 A.M. The meeting will be held in the Commissioner Room at the Courthouse. A current Agenda to the Commissioner proceedings is kept on file in the County Clerks office during normal business hours for inspection, but the Agenda will close by 4:00 P.M. on the Friday preceding the Board meeting on Thursday. 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 01, 2009 the following claims were audited, allowed and warrant orders drawn on their respective

Accounts:

FUND	NAME	TOTCLAIMS
100	AFLAC	\$411.03
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$5,449.63
100	ARROW BUILDING CENTER	\$220.18
100	AXIS CAPITAL INC	\$459.22
100	BEST WESTERN WEST HILLS INN	\$280.00
100	THERESA BLAUSEY	\$20.00
100	PAT BRITTON	\$45.30
100	CARPENTER REPORTING,INC	\$498.30
100	CHADRON HOME CENTER	\$55.70
100	LOIS J CHIZEK	\$16.25
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$2,500.00
100	LINDY COLEMAN	\$31.91
100	SCOTT COTTON	\$67.56
100	KARL DAILEY	\$146.60
100	KARL J DAILEY, SHERIFF	\$3,423.00

100	DAS CENTRAL FINANCE	\$251.99
100	DAWES COUNTY INSURANCE ACCOUNT	\$14,797.72
100	DAWES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$419.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$554.50
100	DELL COMMERICAL CREDIT	\$270.70
100	DELL MARKETING L.P.	\$104.99
100	DEPT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES	\$2,416.80
100	DONNA DOBSON	\$45.30
100	DIXIE EATON	\$25.00
100	FLEET SERVICES/EXXONMOBIL	\$64.40
100	JEFF FANKHAUSER	\$14.44
100	CHERYL FEIST	\$25.53
100	FIRST BANKCARD	\$65.50
100	FIRST BANKCARD	\$33.10
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$8,489.39
100	MATTHEW FITZGERALD	\$130.20
100	PAM GROSS	\$102.50
100	HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS LEXINGTON	\$210.00
100	IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY, INC	\$262.50
100	IS COMMUNICATIONS & OPERATIONS	\$12.95
100	DANIEL R JOHNSON, DDS	\$416.00
100	NORBERT LIEBIG	\$292.80
100	MORFORD'S DECORATING CENTER	\$8.54
100	NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER	\$331.00
100		\$831.90

	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$27.72
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE	\$465.00
100	MERRELL NELSEN	\$69.50
100	KENNETH OTIS	\$102.50
100	QUALITY INN & SUITES	\$197.85
100	QUALITY TIRE	\$29.00
100	QWEST	\$919.92
100	QWEST	\$165.71
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL	\$251.00
100	RONALD C RAWALT	\$292.80
100	MARTIN ROOS	\$46.40
100	SCOTTS BLUFF CO DETENTION CENTER	\$100.00
100	SHELL FLEET PLUS-VETERANS	\$172.58
100	SKAVDAHL & EDMUND	\$682.10
100	SOURCEGAS	\$81.38
100	UNIVERSITY OF NE-LINCOLN CAR RENTAL	\$190.39
100	MICHAEL T VARN, ATTORNEY AT LAW	\$893.49
100	WALMART COMMUNITY	\$35.79
100	JESSICA WEISHAPL	\$10.50
100	PAUL WESS, PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$50.00
100	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$462.50
100	WESTERN PATHOLOGY CONSULTANTS, PC	\$130.00
100		\$35.28

	WESTERN PLAINS BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	
100	TRAVIS WHITE	\$38.50
200	AFLAC	\$186.20
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$683.42
200	CALIFORNIA CONTRACTORS SUPPLIES,INC	\$99.00
200	CAT FINANCIAL SERVICES/12H GRADER	\$1,500.00
200	DAWES COUNTY INSURANCE ACCOUNT	\$1,363.40
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$92.50
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$1,813.74
200	HARTFORD LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	\$25.00
200	HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS	\$282.00
200	NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER	\$163.75
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$375.91
200	NMC EXCHANGE LLC/NEBRASKA MACHINERY	\$16,994.06
200	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$86.71
200	PANHANDLE COLLECTIONS,INC	\$140.69
200	QWEST	\$20.03
200	RESPOND FIRST AID SYSTEMS	\$65.30
200	SOURCEGAS	\$60.33
200	SUPER 8 MOTEL	\$175.50
2910	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$186.95
2910	MILLENNIUM COMPUTER SYSTEMS	\$400.00

2910	QWEST	\$298.38
2910	TONY SERBOUSEK	\$125.00
2910	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$1,039.00
2910	XEROX CORPORATION	\$596.82
5400	AFLAC	\$15.25
5400	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$53.63
5400	BAUERKEMPER'S INC	\$2,700.00
5400	THE BUSINESS CONNECTION	\$42.01
5400	DAWES COUNTY INSURANCE ACCOUNT	\$60.69
5400	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$13.00
5400	FARM PLAN	\$9.40
5400	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$586.58
5400	LEVI'S AUTO	\$1,039.51
5400	MANNA SYSTEMS AND CONSULTING	\$22.98
5400	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$110.89
5400	NEBRASKA DEPT OF AGRICULTURE	\$180.00
5400	SHELL FLEET PLUS/WEED	\$1,075.79
5400	SOURCEGAS	\$10.44
5400	VAN DIEST SUPPLY COMPANY	\$11,220.40
5400	WHITE RIVER FEED & TRAILER SALES	\$111.00

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