

CHADRON, NEBRASKA

November 07, 2012

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 9:07 A.M. on the 7th day of November, 2012 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, KCSR and Scott Cotton, UNL Extension. 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 Stewart, seconded by Swinney, approving the Agenda as presented. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Swinney and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Minutes of the October 03, 2012 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. Correspondence received from Nebraska Tax Equalization and Review Commission re: 2012 pending appeals were reviewed by the Board.

At 9:05 A.M. Lindy Coleman, Assessor, presented tax correction #'s 4647-4652 for the Boards review and approval. Upon review of the corrections a motion was made by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Swinney, approving tax correction #'s 4647-4651. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Swinney. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Swinney made a motion, seconded by Stewart, to approve tax correction #4652. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart and Swinney. Commissioner Johnson abstained. Motion carried. Jeremy Anderson, KCSR, joined the meeting in progress.

At 9:10 A.M. Barbara Sebesta, Treasurer approached the Board. She presented the Board with seven vehicle exemption renewals for NW Community Action. Upon review a motion was made by Commissioner Swinney, seconded by Stewart, approving the seven vehicle exemption renewals for NW Community Action. Roll call vote, Ayes: Swinney, Johnson and Stewart. 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 9:18 A.M. The next Dawes County Board of Equalization will be December 05, 2012 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 Friday, November 30, 2012. 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 EQUALIZATION

Cheryl Feist

Dawes County Clerk

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CHADRON, NEBRASKA

November 07, 2012

DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners in regular session was commenced at the hour of 9:19 A.M. on the 7th day of November, 2012 in the former county Courtroom 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, KCSR; Kerri Rempp, The Chadron Record; Scott Cotton, UNL Extension and Jeremy Anderson, KCSR. 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 noting that Alan Connell won't be at his scheduled appointment but has action items for the Board to consider. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Swinney and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Minutes of the October 17, 2012 meeting were reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Swinney, approving the minutes with the following correction to wit: add the word "lake" to North Whitney Road. Roll call vote, Ayes: Swinney Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Swinney, seconded by Stewart, approving all claims with the exception of claim #'s 12110094 to New Leaf in the amount of \$39.06 and 12110040 to Department of Corrections in the amount of \$241.68. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Swinney. Nays: None. Motion carried. It was noted for the record by Commissioner Swinney that the county look into the possibility of hiring another defense attorney to cut down on defense costs to the county. The Board recessed at 9:43 A.M. and reconvened to regular session at 9:51 A.M. Public comment ensued with Scott Cotton, UNL Extension, reporting that five (5) post fire/post drought meetings have been held to date. CPA firms have been in attendance and tax implications appear to be a concern. Area ranchers are encouraged to sell cattle prior to end of December 2012 and meet with their accountant as January 01, 2013 cattle sale taxes will increase. Steve Marchant approached the Board with Larry Hankin during public comment to discuss a gate issue on the west end of Marchant Road. Vacation of several roads was briefly discussed. Larry Hankin, Highway Superintendent, then presented road updates to wit: Districts 1, 2 & 3 are blading roads and will continue through next week. The Crusher Crew has 2-3 weeks of clean up left at Furman's Pit and Pat Deaver, Interim Weed Superintendent, is working in both the Road and Weed Departments until this spring. A motion was made by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Swinney, no paid overtime will be allowed for the Interim Weed Superintendent unless approved by the Highway Superintendent. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Swinney and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Revised job descriptions for the Highway Superintendent, Roads' Foreman and Interim Weed Superintendent were presented to the Board for review and approval. Motion by Commissioner Swinney, seconded by Stewart, approving the revised job descriptions as presented. Roll call vote, Ayes: Swinney, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Western Valley Irrigation, Inc. sent a petition request to trench across North Whitney Lake Road to install conduit for a pivot. The Highway Superintendent reported he had visited with personnel from Western Valley Irrigation, Inc. and visited the site. He saw no problem with the Board approving the request. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Swinney, approving the petition request and directing the Chairman of the Board to sign the request. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Swinney. Nays: None. Motion carried. The next agenda item discussed was overtime pay for crew members working fires. Personnel policies currently do not allow overtime pay to Road Department personnel. The personnel policy committee will need to meet to address this and several other issues. If the Board approves a change to policy re: overtime, the changes could not take place until next budget cycle. Mr. Hankin reported the two bridges located on Bethel Loop Road need replaced. He has been in contact with the State and NDOR who have said culverts could be used. Currently the South Bridge is constructed for a 48 year event, with a culvert it would go to a 15 year event. The North Bridge is constructed for a 30 year event, with a culvert it would go to an 8 year event. All hydraulic studies are done. The only study left is an engineering study. Discussion ensued. A motion was made by Commissioner Swinney, seconded by Stewart, instructing the Highway Superintendent to secure an engineering study and move forward with installation of two culverts on the North and South bridges located on Bethel Loop Road. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Swinney and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Mr. Hankin reported a new hire in District 3 replacing Mike Reynoldson who took another position within the Roads Department.

At 10:55 A.M. Jay King, Custodian and Larry Landreth, met with the Board. Mr. King reported the jail facility kitchen needs the ability to properly sanitize dishes, etc. In order to do this a new water heater will need to be purchased. Mr. King presented a proposal in the amount of \$569.00 to purchase a water heater. The Board directed him to move forward with purchasing the water heater. A water softener system install for the Courthouse wasn't acted on and tabled until a later date for discussion. The Board recessed at 11:00 A.M. and reconvened to regular session at 11:10 A.M. Health Insurance was discussed amongst the Board Members and Lindy Coleman, Assessor. Commissioner Johnson reported he did contact Grant County re: The Benefit Group self-funded insurance. The County Clerk was instructed to invite the Benefit Group and BlueCross BlueShield to the November 21, 2012 Commissioner Meeting. No action was taken on the insurance.

At 11:30 A.M. Barbara Sebesta, County Treasurer, met with the Board. The appointment of Karl Dailey will be rescheduled. The Board visited with her about the recent State audit findings in her office. Fund balance transfers/revenue receipts were improperly executed which created incorrect fund balances at fiscal year end. A motion was made by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Swinney, directing the Treasurer to make the following corrections per Auditor recommendation: \$12,188.00 from the General Fund and \$114.00 from the Veteran's Aid Fund will be transferred to the Courthouse Bond Fund; \$13,910.00 from the Visitor Promotion Fund will be transferred to the Health Insurance Fund and \$12,150.00 will be transferred from the 911 Emergency Fund to the Grant Fund. Roll call vote, Ayes: Swinney, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. The State Auditor will continue to work on resolving a discrepancy in the amount of \$9838.00. Once they have more information it will be reported to the Board. Ms. Sebesta indicated she is already working on making the corrections. In other business, the Board reviewed information submitted by Alan Connell, Acting Veteran Service Officer. A motion was made by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Swinney, accepting the resignation of Alan Connell from the Veterans Service Board. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Swinney. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Swinney made a motion to accept the appointment of Gene VonForell to the Veterans Service Board replacing Alan Connell. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Swinney and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. A van purchase for Veterans Office was discussed. Commissioner Swinney reported on a program available through DAV whereby \$13,000.00 could be contributed towards the purchase of a van, however; the restrictions associated with the contribution would not benefit Dawes County Veterans in the long run. Other avenues for funding will be researched. The Board reviewed a request for dues in the amount of \$906.00 from the Heartland Expressway Association. Commissioner Swinney made a motion, seconded by Stewart, to contact Deb Cottier, NNDC, for additional information before taking any action. Roll call vote, Ayes: Swinney, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Other items the Board considered and acted on included the following: Commissioner Stewart made a motion, seconded by Swinney, approving and accepting the Sheriff's Department 2012 inventory statement. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Swinney. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2012-20 was introduced by Commissioner Swinney, seconded by Stewart, acknowledging two (2) soda machines located in the courthouse of which the county doesn't receive revenues. Both machines are privately owned. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Swinney and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board acknowledged receipt of a letter received from NIRMA addressing expected/intended injury exclusion in the insurance policy; reviewed and approved the August/September VIN report and Clerk of District Court fee report for October 2012. The Board then reviewed a contract proposal from Nebraska Game and Parks Commission to provide quality weed free hay as an alternate food source for wildlife. Discussion ensued. Contract language needs to be simplified and Dawes County's liability needs to be revisited. No action was taken. The Board will address this issue again at the November 21, 2012 Commissioner Meeting.

There being no further business before the Dawes County Board of Commissioners the meeting adjourned at 12:30 P.M. The next meeting will be November 21, 2012 beginning at 9:00 A. M. The meeting will be held in the former Commissioner's 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, November 16, 2012. 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

November 07, 2012 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	\$2,416.59
100	AFLAC	\$467.38
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$6,662.09
100	ARROW BUILDING CENTER	\$45.54
100	AS CENTRAL SERVICES	\$210.50
100	AT&T	\$42.92
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL	\$208.01
100	BOB BARKER COMPANY INC	\$87.35
100	CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING CO	\$112.16
100	CENTURYLINK	\$996.83
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-ASSESSOR	\$15.47
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-CLERK	\$9.08
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-CO ATTORNEY	\$15.45
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-COMMISSIONERS	\$3.31
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-COUNTY COURT	\$21.94

100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-CUSTODIAN	\$3.22
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-DISTRICT CT	\$15.71
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-SHERIFF	\$28.62
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-TREASURER	\$4.24
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-VETERANS	\$16.52
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-WEED	\$2.93
100	CHADRON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$25.00
100	CHADRON CITY SCHOOLS	\$580.29
100	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$5,398.27
100	CHADRON HOME CENTER	\$26.06
100	CHADRON MEDICAL CLINIC	\$494.00
100	CHADRON PLUMBING	\$117.00
100	CHAMBERLAIN CHAPEL INC	\$2,104.00
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$424.53
100	CITY OF CRAWFORD/CRAWFORD PD	\$55.44
100	LINDY COLEMAN	\$13.50
100	ALAN P CONNELL	\$413.25
100	CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT COMPANY	\$155.25
100	CRAWFORD PHARMACY	\$15.16
100	STEVEN R CRILE	\$500.00
100	CULLIGAN WATER CONDITIONING	\$15.75
100	CURTISS,MORAVEK,CURTISS,MARGHEIM&MI	\$86.00
100	DAWES CO TREASURER/FUND 1275	\$20,937.82

100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$449.00
100	DIXIE EATON	\$25.00
100	ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE INC	\$3,716.60
100	FIRST BANKCARD/JAKE STEWART	\$129.56
100	FIRST BANKCARD	\$38.99
100	FIRST BANKCARD	\$87.66
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$10,353.60
100	GIS WORKSHOP,INC	\$2,500.00
100	GRANT-MILLER COMMUNICATIONS,INC	\$116.95
100	SARA GRANT-WELLNITZ	\$50.00
100	GRP & ASSOCIATES,INC	\$87.00
100	HASTINGS HOTEL & CONVENTION CENTER	\$179.97
100	HERREN BROTHERS TRUE VALUE	\$14.97
100	IAAO	\$175.00
100	JOHN CRILE-24 HOUR LOCKSMITHING	\$50.00
100	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-BUILDING	\$29.99
100	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-WEED	\$22.99
100	JAY KING	\$16.00
100	LANDRETH PLUMBING & HEATING,INC	\$4,806.50
100	MANNA SYSTEMS AND CONSULTING	\$42.50
100	MANSFIELD ENTERPRISES	\$55.00
100	MAXIMUS,INC	\$3,253.63
100	MIDWEST SPECIAL SERVICES	\$830.04

100	MIPS INC	\$61.03
100	MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS	\$1,163.35
100	NACO	\$120.00
100	NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER	\$90.00
100	NE DEPT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	\$35.63
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$1,165.85
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE/LEVY	\$25.00
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-WEED	\$68.11
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE-VETERANS	\$74.33
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CLERK	\$104.98
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/DISTRICT CT	\$57.48
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/SHERIFF	\$65.52
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/TREASURER	\$524.66
100	OMB POLICE SUPPLY	\$729.00
100	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$344.64
100	PROMOTIONAL CAPITAL,LLC	\$270.51
100	QUALITY TIRE	\$39.88
100	MARTHA QUAY	\$62.05
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/CLERK	\$36.00
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/COMMISSIONERS	\$144.50
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/SHERIFF	\$36.00
100	RELIABLE OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$76.66
100	RIVER A HOLDING LLC	\$12.50

100	SCOTT ROBERTS ELECTRIC INC	\$267.42
100	SEARS COMMERCIAL ONE	\$129.88
100	RUSS SEGER	\$180.00
100	SHELL FLEET PLUS-SHERIFF	\$184.27
100	SHELL FLEET PLUS-VETERANS	\$400.40
100	SHELL FLEET PLUS/WEED	\$239.01
100	AUSTIN SMITH	\$232.63
100	SOURCEGAS	\$247.59
100	TJ'S GUNS	\$20.49
100	MICHAEL T VARN,ATTORNEY AT LAW	\$3,445.22
100	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$95.33
100	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$165.65
100	VIAERO WIRELESS-SHERIFF	\$222.98
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$153.49
100	WALMART COMMUNITY	\$349.99
100	WESTERN PATHOLOGY CONSULTANTS INC	\$2,515.00
100	WRIGHT EXPRESS FSC/SHERIFF/EXXON	\$161.90
200	AFLAC	\$197.33
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$726.32
200	ARROW BUILDING CENTER	\$5,609.97
200	BAUERKEMPER'S INC	\$309.30
200	BEST WESTERN RAMKOTA HOTEL	\$158.00
200	BIGHORN AUTO SUPPLY	\$398.58

200	CENTURYLINK	\$110.95
200	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-DIST #2 ROADS	\$2.93
200	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-DIST #3 ROADS	\$2.93
200	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-DIST 1 ROADS	\$12.71
200	CHADRON CITY SCHOOLS	\$25.23
200	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$35.00
200	CHADRON HOME CENTER	\$20.53
200	CITY OF CHADRON	\$100.45
200	DAWES CO TREASURER/FUND 1275	\$1,935.37
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$55.00
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$1,762.49
200	GMC OF CHADRON	\$274.72
200	GRANT-MILLER COMMUNICATIONS,INC	\$281.15
200	HENCEY PLUMBING & HYDRONICS,INC	\$24.45
200	HENKENS EQUIPMENT INC	\$664.32
200	HERREN BROTHERS TRUE VALUE	\$65.46
200	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-ROADS	\$176.53
200	LITTREL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY	\$937.50
200	MANNA SYSTEMS AND CONSULTING	\$257.30
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$336.61
200	NEWMAN SIGNS,INC	\$1,044.40
200	NMC EXCHANGE LLC/NEBRASKA MACHINERY	\$6,174.76
200	NORTHWEST RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	\$90.96

200	PHILLIPS F & T INC	\$3,759.00
200	RESPOND FIRST AID SYSTEMS	\$124.86
200	SOURCEGAS	\$518.35
200	STATE OF NEBRASKA	\$1,695.00
200	STURDEVANT'S AUTO PARTS	\$151.94
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$83.60
200	WALMART COMMUNITY	\$233.27
200	WEST RIVER INTERNATIONAL INC	\$1,322.63
200	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$7,578.00
990	CHADRON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$1,649.09
990	LAMAR OUTDOOR ADVERTISING	\$1,245.00
990	NEBRASKA STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY	\$600.00
990	WESTERN NE TOURISM COALITION	\$1,000.00
1275	DAWES COUNTY INSURANCE ACCOUNT	\$22,936.00
2910	CENTURYLINK	\$184.77
2910	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$135.42
2910	WALMART COMMUNITY/E911	\$59.83
2910	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$149.00
2913	CENTURYLINK	\$225.82
2913	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$165.52