

CHADRON, NEBRASKA
April 10, 2018
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 10th day of April, 2018 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 were Deb Lesmeister, Deputy Dawes County Clerk; Lindy Coleman, Assessor 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 vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Rivera, seconded by Johnson, approving the minutes of the March 13, 2018 meeting as published. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. No correspondence was received. Lindy Coleman, Assessor, presented tax correction #5045, 5046 and 5047 for the Boards review and approval. Upon review of the tax correction Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, moved to approve tax corrections #5045, 5046 and 5047 and directed the Chairman to sign such. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Valuation protest hearing dates were discussed. They will be held on July 16, July 17 and July 18, 2018. In-Lieu of property listings and Exempt property packets were given to the Commissioners for their review. Also discussed was the renewal for the GIS workshop contract. The planning/zoning cost is \$2625.00 per year, the Assessor portion is 5,015.00 per year and the Technical support is \$5,015 per year. Motion by Johnson to accept the GIS contract for a term of 5 years with no increase in price. Seconded by Rivera. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera 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 9:20 A.M. The next meeting will be held on May 8, 2018 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, May 3, 2018. 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: _____
Deb Lesmeister
Deputy Dawes County Clerk

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CHADRON, NEBRASKA
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DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners in regular session was commenced at the hour of 9:21 A.M. on the 10th day of April, 2018 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 were Deb Lesmeister, Deputy 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 Rivera,

seconded by Johnson to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Twila Satchell entered the meeting at 9:22 A.M. Motion by Commissioner Johnson to approve the minutes of the March 27, 2018 meeting with the following correction in reference to the Area Aging report, it should have stated playing bingo, not cards. Seconded by Rivera. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera to approve the claims as presented. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Jamie Rivera-Haas entered the meeting at 9:32 A.M. There was no correspondence to review. No one appeared for Public Comment. John Axtell, KCSR joined the meeting. The Board reviewed monthly fee/mileage reports for the various departments and approved them by the general consent of the Board.

At 9:42 A.M. Justin Bates, Dawes County Veterans Service Officer met with the Board. He is interested in adding an Administrative Assistant position to his department. This person would assist him in the development of Veteran claims for reimbursement. This would be a part-time position and would have to be accredited. He said the Veteran population for Dawes County is 692. The number of Veterans utilizing the service was 405 when he started as VSO and has been increasing steadily to 544. Since Mr. Bates has been the VSO he has implemented many things for the Veterans in Dawes County. A VA Stand Down was held for the first time in Dawes County, Hud/VASH is also available to assist Vets with housing, Buddy Check #22, a suicide prevention program with the assistance of the local Domino's, and Auriculotherapy has been offered which is a type of acupuncture for the ear. He would like to offer comprehensive exams for the Vets locally so they do not have to travel to out of town services. Larry Hankin entered the meeting at 9:55 A.M. Chairman Stewart thanked Mr. Bates for the presentation and requested that he come to the Commissioner meeting on April 24, 2018 at 10:30 A.M. with cost estimates of what this position would cost the County for Budget planning purposes for the next fiscal year. Mr. Bates left the meeting.

At 10:03 A.M. the Public Meeting in regards to Mill Road was declared open for comment. It was stated that the recommendation of Larry Hankin, Dawes County Highway Superintendent was non-closure of Mill Road. Kathy Soester wondered if a partial closure of Mill Road was possible. Also mentioned was if the Railroad was only concerned with the crossing portion of the road and if that portion falls within the city limits of Crawford. Deputy Adam Edmund stated the crossing portion is located in the city limits. Citizens wanted to know if jurisdiction ended at the crossing the County would maintain the portion that was the County Road. Also discussed was whether West Bethel could be made passable if Mill Road were to be closed. There are uncertainties involving the crossing at this time which will need to be resolved before there can be a definite answer. The visitors were assured this was only a hearing and a formal decision on Mill Road will follow. A list of the people attending the hearing is available at the office of the Dawes County Clerk. The Public Hearing was closed at 10:14 A.M. Kerri Rempp, The Chadron Record entered the meeting at 10:17 A.M.

Larry Hankin, Dawes County Highway Superintendent met with the Board. He stated there is a meeting concerning Lemmon Bridge project this afternoon. Road updates are as follows: Road District #1 is blading, pulling shoulders and hauling red rock for Slim Buttes Road. Road District #2 and #3 are blading and pulling shoulders also. Mr. Hankin reported that he has received a written state bid for prices on radio's and a repeater. The repeater is around \$26,000.00 and stationery radios are \$2,077.40, portable radios are \$1,455.50. The 15 radios and installation would be \$25,000.00. This quote was requested for budget planning purposes. This equipment would be all digital and replacing existing equipment. Mr. Hankin got culvert pricing for 18 and 24 foot culverts. He is hoping to buy 12 of each for a total estimated cost of \$12,870.00. Commissioner Rivera asked Mr. Hankin about a culvert on Autogate Road. Mr. Hankin will check and see if there is an existing culvert on the property in question. Mr. Hankin stated the crusher is up and operational. Mr. Hankin left the meeting at 10:30 A.M.

The bid for lawn mowing of the Court House grounds was opened. There was only one and it was from Petersen Mowing. It was \$100.00 per time for mowing and \$30.00 for weed eating per time. Motion by Commissioner Johnson to accept the bid as submitted and coordinate with Brad Streeks, Custodian on scheduling. Seconded by Rivera. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Chairman Stewart read aloud Resolution 2018-13 concerning a conditional use permit. Motion by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson to adopt Resolution 2018-13. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Four Travel Board Grants were reviewed by the Commissioners. Ride the Ridge grant was for \$1,200.00, Chadron Youth Baseball Organization for \$500.00, Chadron Community Recreation for \$1,000.00, Post Play House for \$3,000.00. Motion by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson to approve the grants. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Stewart read aloud a letter prepared by the Dawes County Travel Board to Department of Revenue about drops in lodging tax revenue. Discussion was held. The letter was accepted. No action was taken at this time.

An update to the Dawes County Personnel manual was reviewed by the Board. It was concerning Payroll and Claims being turned in on time. Motion by Commissioner Johnson to approve the addition of this policy to the manual, seconded by Rivera. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 10:45 A.M. Dan Wordekemper, Dawes County Weed Superintendent met with the Board. He presented a rate schedule pertaining to control of noxious weeds on property. This schedule is going to be used after other compliance reminders and warning letters have not been effective. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Rivera to adopt the Dawes County Weed Control rate sheet. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The line item for the cost of the mowing of road ditches will continue to be under the Roads budget. The Board of Commissioners reiterated that all machinery leased or owned by the County must be put on insurance promptly. Mr. Wordekemper left the meeting at 10:50 A.M.

Adam Hoelsing of Simmons Olsen Law Firm approached the Board at 10:52 A.M. in regards to the Panhandle Mental Health Program. He gave the background of when the program began and going forward. Dawes County participates in this as part of an interlocal agreement. Commissioner Stewart read aloud Resolution 2018-12. Motion by Commissioner Rivera to sign Resolution 2018-12, seconded by Johnson. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Note: At this time only the Resolution was signed, not the Amended Agreement.

At 11:00 A.M. there being no further business before the Board, the Chairman adjourned the meeting. The next meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners will be April 24, 2018 beginning at 9:00 A.M. The meeting will be held in the former County Courtroom located in the basement of the Courthouse. A current agenda is available at the Clerk's Office during normal business hours but will close at 12:00 P.M., April 19, 2018. **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: _____
Deb Lesmeister
Deputy Dawes County Clerk

DAWES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

April 10, 2018 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	\$1,074.74
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$9,143.11
100	AT&T	\$42.91
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-SHERIFF	\$722.25
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-VETERANS	\$288.72
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$33,931.85

100	BRANDT COURT REPORTING	\$1,095.28
100	THE BUSINESS CONNECTION	\$39.95
100	CELESTE CATTIN	\$75.00
100	CENTURYLINK	\$1,015.64
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-E 911	\$5.27
100	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$216.00
100	CHADRON LOCK	\$50.00
100	CHADRON MEDICAL CLINIC	\$664.00
100	CHADRON PLUMBING	\$395.71
100	CHADRON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	\$605.52
100	LOIS J CHIZEK	\$840.00
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$400.13
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$309.50
100	D&S MARKET,LLC	\$1,772.19
100	DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	\$202.93
100	DAWES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$42.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$457.00
100	DOLLAR GENERAL	\$22.50
100	DOOR SECURITY PRODUCTS INC	\$1,989.56
100	DOUGLAS,KELLY,OSTDIEK,OSSIAN,BRODER	\$7,047.00
100	DIXIE EATON	\$25.00
100	FIRST BANKCARD/CHERYL FEIST	\$119.87
100	FIRST BANKCARD/PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$522.57
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$14,502.74
100	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$436.79
100	HILLS TIRE & SUPPLY	\$657.90
100	IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY,INC	\$116.41
100	INTELLICORP RECORDS,INC	\$53.82
100	MADISON NATIONAL LIFE	\$81.30
100	MANNA SYSTEMS AND CONSULTING	\$75.00
100	MIDWEST PROCESS SERVICES	\$34.10
100	MIPS INC	\$3,279.41
100	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$268.33
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$1,576.06
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE/LEVY	\$25.00
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-E911	\$26.75
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CLERK	\$379.36
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CO ATTORNEY	\$58.34
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/EXTENSION	\$20.23
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/PUBLIC DEFEND	\$165.28
100	LUKE NORMAN	\$33.90
100	QUILL CORPORATION	\$687.79
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL-WEBSITE	\$99.00
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/ASSESSOR	\$7.36
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/COMMISSIONERS	\$2,718.03
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/TREASURER	\$63.83
100	MALYCHANH SAYALOUNE	\$41.81
100	CASEY JOHN SCHUHMACHER	\$12.10
100	SKEETERS AUTO PARTS INC	\$16.36
100	STAR-HERALD	\$432.17
100	TRANSUNION RISK AND ALTERNATIVE	\$50.00

100	VERIZON WIRELESS/COUNTY ATTORNEY	\$42.21
100	VERIZON WIRELESS/E911	\$151.93
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$257.75
100	WALMART COMMUNITY-TREASURER	\$21.24
100	WALMART COMMUNITY-WEED	\$116.97
100	WALMART COMMUNITY/ASSESSOR	\$90.92
100	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$462.50
100	JOHN WITT	\$112.00
100	JON WORTHMAN LAW OFFICE	\$859.90
200	AFLAC	\$270.58
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$1,151.80
200	ARROW BUILDING CENTER	\$149.49
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$2,002.31
200	BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	\$244.89
200	CENTURYLINK	\$192.27
200	CITY OF CHADRON	\$109.06
200	DALE'S TIRE AND RETREADING, INC	\$2,360.00
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$55.00
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$3,207.01
200	H&H SANITATION AND RECYCLING, INC	\$53.50
200	HENCEY PLUMBING & HYDRONICS, INC	\$21.00
200	HERREN BROTHERS TRUE VALUE	\$29.59
200	LONESOME DOVE LODGE	\$75.00
200	M & R RESTORATION	\$1,526.00
200	MARK CHRISMAN TRUCKING INC	\$12,970.00
200	MATHESON LINWELD INC	\$29.36
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$611.14
200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$192.44
200	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/ROADS	\$61.88
200	NEWMAN SIGNS, INC	\$1,946.66
200	NIRMA	\$256.00
200	POWERPLAN	\$2,215.35
200	RDO TRUCK CENTER	\$444.96
200	RURAL COMPREHENSIVE CARE NETWORK	\$482.75
200	STATE OF NEBRASKA	\$1,287.00
200	VERIZON WIRELESS/ROADS	\$210.15
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$112.14
200	WAHLSTROM FORD INC	\$3,459.96
200	WALMART COMMUNITY-ROADS	\$30.76
200	21ST CENTURY EQUIPMENT	\$101.05
990	AFLAC	\$15.47
990	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$68.27
990	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$88.17
990	DAWES CO TREAS/TOURISM BENEFITS PAY	\$2,710.19
990	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$201.63
990	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$72.10
990	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$41.90
990	NEBRASKA TRAVEL ASSOCIATION	\$165.00
990	NEBRASKALAND MAGAZINE	\$300.00
990	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/VISITOR PROMO	\$3.68
995	CHADRON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$2,500.00

1900	VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE	\$388.52
2910	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$3.38
2910	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$14.46
2910	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$44.87
2910	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$3.35
2910	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$890.00
2913	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$142.07