

CHADRON, NEBRASKA
September 11, 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 11th day of September, 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 was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk; Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney; Mark Haynes and Mark Betson. 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. Commissioner Rivera asked for a moment of silence by those present to remember those whose lives were lost in the September 11, 2001 tragedy. 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 August 14, 2018 minutes as published. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. No correspondence was received.

There being no further business to be conducted by the Dawes County Board of Equalization the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 9:05 A.M. The next meeting will be held on October 09, 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, October 04, 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: _____
CHERYL FEIST
DAWES COUNTY CLERK

**DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF
EQUALIZATION**

CHADRON, NEBRASKA
September 11, 2018
DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners in regular session was commenced at the hour of 9:06 A.M. on the 11th day of August, 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 was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk; Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney; Mark Haynes and Mark Betson. 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 Stewart, approving the minutes of the August 28, 2018 meeting as published. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart and Johnson with Rivera abstaining from the vote. Nays: None. Motion carried. Gary Fisher and Wayne Fisher joined the meeting. Claims were reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, to approve all claims as presented. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Correspondences acknowledged by the Board included newsletters from NCAP, NNDC and a letter from Wally Seiler thanking the Board for their support of the Post Playhouse through Travel Board Grants. David Goebel, Ameresco, joined the meeting and introduced himself to the Board.

He also provided information relevant to the services his company can provide. There being no Public Comment, the Board reviewed two (2) Travel Board grants for approval to wit: Fur Trade Days-\$6,079.00 to build a stage for Fur Trade Bands and Post Playhouse-\$10,000.00 to assist with upgrades. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, moved to approve both Travel Board grants as presented. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The next order of business was opening bids received for a 1952 Willy's Jeep. One bid was received from George Serres in the amount of \$1500.00. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, moved to accept George Serres bid of \$1500.00 and award such. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board recessed at 9:35 A.M. and reconvened to regular session at 9:50 A.M. Stacy Swinney joined the meeting in progress.

At 9:52 A.M. Larry Hankin, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board. Road updates included the following: District 1-continuing work on Long Road, a lot of dirt being moved by crews. District 2-work continues on Squaw Mound Road and crew members had time to do some truck training with new hire(s). Commissioner Rivera asked about plans for Hollibaugh Road. District 3-Faulk Road is done, hauling on Lone Tree Road quarter of mile past Ferguson's. Crusher-Down since the middle of last week. Parts have been ordered. Crusher is still at Bartlett's but will move to the Furman pit later. Another crusher demonstration has been scheduled according to Hankin. Geri Swinney joined the meeting. Egan Road bids were reviewed. Mr. Hankin reported Mr. Swinney's bid was lowest bid received for both the North and South Egan Road projects. Dave Coe, Engineer, recommended Stacy Swinney be awarded the bid for the Egan Road projects and Mr. Hankin concurred. A copy of the bid specifications and bids received will become a part of these minutes and is available for inspection by the Public during normal business hours of the Clerk's Office. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, moved to award the bid to Stacy Swinney for both Egan Road projects. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Stacy Swinney indicated for the record the South Egan project will be addressed first, followed by the North Egan project. At 10:10 A.M. a motion to enter executive session for personnel/legal matters was made by Commissioner Rivera and seconded by Commissioner Johnson. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera moved to reconvene to regular session at 10:21 A.M. with no action taken during executive session. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 10:30 A.M. The Chairman of the Board declared the Public Hearing re: 2018/2019 Budget open and asked for input from the Public. Also present was Kerri Rempp, The Chadron Record; Lindy Coleman, Assessor and John Axtel, KCSR Radio. Mark Haynes indicated for record Dawes County has had a 52% increase in operating costs the past ten (10) years. He went on to say spending is down but still a concern with the Road Department budget. Farm income is down and property taxes continue to increase. Gary Fisher informed the Board Cherry County has 1400 miles of Road to maintain and does it with only fourteen (14) employees. Mark Betson added Cherry County hauls rock at a slightly higher cost. Farmers in eastern Nebraska are packing up and leaving the State due to high taxes. There being no further comment from the Public, the Chairman closed the Public Hearing at 11:25 A.M. General Fund housekeeping ensued with the following changes being made to the overall budget with no increase in property taxes or the levy. Sheriff's budget-\$9500.00 was not moved from proposed budget to the final draft in line item 3-0211, the bottom lined changed to \$282,240.00 with this correction. Miscellaneous General-Line item 2-9900 was reduced by \$9500.00. Chairman Stewart proposed dissolving the HR Department to fellow Board Members. The HR Department is paid out of the Commissioner's budget. Discussion ensued. The County Clerk expressed concern with the closure of the HR Department and hadn't been made aware of this proposal prior to the meeting. She was told it was a business decision to dissolve the department. She also expressed concern over the fact that at the previous meeting held on August 28, 2018, the Elected Officials were given the choice to find cuts in their budgets to give more than a 3% Cost of Living to Staff. The County Clerk presented an email showing the Board what budget cuts were made in the Clerk's budget as instructed previously. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, moved to dissolve the HR Department and the money left in that department is to be divided amongst seven departments to give higher raises to Staff in those departments. The amount to be divided amongst the Assessor, Clerk, Treasurer, County Attorney, Public Defender, Sheriff's Office and District Court is \$2,115.22. The Weed and Maintenance departments will each receive \$800.00. The HR

Department is dissolved effective immediately with the passing of this motion. All Elected/Appointed Officials/Supervisors will immediately become responsible for all HR functions within their departments. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. The following resolutions were passed by the Board: Resolution No. 2018-17 was introduced by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, to increase restricted funds by 1%. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2018-18 was introduced by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, adopting the 2018/2019 budget, appropriating funds to departments and authorizing expenditure thereof. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2018-19 was introduced by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, establishing Petty Cash funds in the Clerk and County Court departments. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2018-20 was introduced by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, approving the property tax request and setting the levy for 2018/2019. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2018-21 was introduced by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, authorizing the Treasurer to make transfers from the General Fund to Veteran's Aid, Reappraisal Fund and Roads Department. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 11:46 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 September 25, 2018 beginning at 9:00 A.M. for the regular Commissioner meeting. The meeting will be held in the former County Commissioner's room located in 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 20, 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: _____
Cheryl Feist
Dawes County Clerk

DAWES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

September 11, 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	AFFINITY THERAPY ASSOCIATES, LLC	\$ 200.00
100	AFLAC	\$ 1,450.60
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 9,357.38
100	ARROW BUILDING CENTER	\$ 44.99
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-EXTENSION	\$ 62.10
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-VETERANS	\$ 392.35
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-WEED	\$ 896.18
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$ 105.18
100	SHERRI BLOME	\$ 200.00
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$33,533.03
100	CARMAN BOYD	\$ 150.00
100	MANDY BRICE	\$ 390.00
100	PANHANDLE CLERKS/CATHLEEN SIBAL	\$ 25.00

100	CENTURYLINK	\$ 924.49
100	CHADRON MEDICAL CLINIC	\$ 243.00
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$ 684.79
100	ROBERTA COLEMAN	\$ 126.85
100	COMPTECH COMPUTERS	\$ 670.00
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$ 463.50
100	CRITES,SHAFFER,CONNELLY,WATSON,HARF	\$ 200.00
100	D&S MARKET,LLC	\$ 2,602.34
100	DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	\$ 202.93
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$ 612.00
100	DIXIE EATON	\$ 50.00
100	FIRST BANKCARD/CHERYL DUNN	\$ 6.93
100	FIRST BANKCARD/EXTENSION	\$ 240.31
100	FIRST BANKCARD/JAKE STEWART	\$ 1,068.62
100	FIRST BANKCARD/PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$ 435.27
100	FIRST BANKCARD/ROBERTA COLEMAN	\$ 123.23
100	FIRST BANKCARD/VETERANS	\$ 40.26
100	FIRST BANKCARD/WEED DEPT	\$ 640.07
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$15,301.66
100	FP MAILING SOLUTIONS	\$ 110.85
100	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 436.79
100	HI-TECH CAR CARE	\$ 69.50
100	HILLS TIRE & SUPPLY	\$ 1,657.73
100	KONE,INC	\$ 1,265.46
100	LINCOLN CO SHERIFF	\$ 20.88
100	MADISON NATIONAL LIFE	\$ 81.30
100	MANNA SYSTEMS AND CONSULTING	\$ 2,282.46
100	MIPS INC	\$ 2,314.79
100	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 265.10
100	MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS	\$ 2,293.99
100	NEBRASKA COUNTY ASSESSOR'S ASSOC	\$ 50.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 1,675.73
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE/LEVY	\$ 25.00
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-E911	\$ 32.50
100	NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIP INC	\$ 508.00
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CLERK	\$ 1,271.06
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CO ATTORNEY	\$ 99.02
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/VETERANS	\$ 279.99
100	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$ 422.89
100	PESTS GO	\$ 35.00
100	QUILL CORPORATION	\$ 25.41
100	RAMADA MIDTOWN	\$ 728.00
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL-WEBSITE	\$ 99.00
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/ASSESSOR	\$ 41.02
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/COMMISSIONERS	\$ 337.23
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/SHERIFF	\$ 62.95
100	RESPOND FIRST AID SYSTEMS	\$ 110.74
100	SADDLE ROCK ONE STOP	\$ 1,286.86
100	SKAVDAHL & EDMUND	\$ 5,340.08
100	STOCKMEN'S DRUG	\$ 23.20

100	REECE, TESSA	\$ 42.75
100	THE NEW LEAF	\$ 4,660.00
100	UNL-WEST CENTRAL RESEARCH & EXT	\$ 75.00
100	VERIZON WIRELESS/COUNTY ATTORNEY	\$ 103.23
100	VERIZON WIRELESS/E911	\$ 157.77
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$ 228.85
100	WALMART COMMUNITY-WEED	\$ 35.91
100	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$ 100.00
100	JESSICA WHETHAM	\$ 40.00
200	ADAMS-ISC LLC	\$ 692.00
200	AFLAC	\$ 264.41
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 1,208.27
200	BIERSCHBACH EQUIPMENT & SUPPLY, INC	\$ 176.76
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$ 2,226.34
200	CENTURYLINK	\$ 194.97
200	CHADRON MOTOR COMPANY	\$ 732.90
200	CITY OF CHADRON	\$ 110.41
200	COE ENGINEERING	\$ 3,028.00
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$ 55.00
200	FIRST BANKCARD/LARRY HANKIN	\$ 150.24
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 3,504.89
200	H&H SANITATION AND RECYCLING, INC	\$ 53.50
200	HERREN BROTHERS TRUE VALUE	\$ 2.99
200	J & A TRAFFIC PRODUCTS	\$ 3,895.00
200	LEVI'S AUTO	\$ 80.00
200	MAINELLI WAGNER & ASSOCIATES INC	\$10,543.22
200	MATHESON LINWELD INC	\$ 32.42
200	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 49.95
200	MSC INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY CO.	\$ 2,730.00
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 693.32
200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$ 72.70
200	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/ROADS	\$ 170.18
200	NETWORKFLEET, INC-ROADS	\$ 265.30
200	PHILLIPS F & T INC	\$ 8,851.96
200	POWERPLAN	\$ 4,200.00
200	QUALITY TIRE	\$ 75.00
200	RDO TRUCK CENTER	\$ 216.63
200	SKEETERS AUTO PARTS INC	\$ 579.52
200	TOOF'S DIESEL REPAIR	\$ 19.82
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$ 109.94
200	21ST CENTURY EQUIPMENT	\$ 5.80
990	AFLAC	\$ 39.78
990	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 74.48
990	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$ 98.11
990	COX/JOHNSON CORPORATION	\$ 750.00
990	FIRST BANKCARD/TOURISM	\$ 645.96
990	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 219.52
990	FORT ROBINSON CENTENNIAL, INC	\$ 1,507.58
990	HIGH PLAINS HOMESTEAD, LLC	\$ 32.00
990	MANNA SYSTEMS AND CONSULTING	\$ 48.00
990	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 47.40

990	NEBRASKA NORTHWEST DEVELOPMENT CORP	\$ 50.00
990	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/TOURISM	\$ 71.94
990	NEBRASKALAND MAGAZINE	\$ 300.00
990	OLD WEST TRAILS RODEO	\$ 3,500.00
990	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/VISITOR PROMO	\$ 8.47
990	VSP VISION PLAN	\$ 8.78
990	WESTERN NE TOURISM COALITION	\$ 2,470.30
995	FIRST BANKCARD/TOURISM	\$ 126.72
995	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 21.65
995	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 1.94
2500	CHADRON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	\$ 2,165.92
2910	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$ 3.38
2910	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$ 14.14
2910	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 3.26