

CHADRON, NEBRASKA

October 10, 2017

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 9:05 A.M. on the 10th day of October, 2017 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; Lindy Coleman, Assessor; Mark Betson; Gary D. Fisher; Bill Hawthorne; Judy Hawthorne; Bob Hawthorne; Jerry Schumacher; Jim Willey and Diane Gussman. 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 Johnson, seconded by Rivera, approving the minutes of the September 12, 2017 meeting as published. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:06 A.M. The Chairman declared the hearing open to hear testimony relevant to Diane Gussman’s homestead denial. The Assessor indicated for the record individuals must occupy their home on January 1st and August 15th to be eligible for the homestead exemption. Ms. Gussman presented proof of occupancy on those dates. The evidence was received by the Board of Equalization. The hearing closed at 9:09 A.M. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, moved to approve the homestead exemption of Diane Gussman pursuant to evidence received. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Assessor presented tax correction #'s 5031-5032 for the Boards review. Upon review, a motion was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera; approving tax correction #'s 5031-5032 as presented by the Assessor. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:17 A.M. A motion to enter Executive Session regarding TERC legal matters was made by Commissioner Johnson. Commissioner Rivera seconded the motion. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, moved to reconvene to regular session at 9:31 A.M. with no action taken during executive session. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. In other business Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, moved to adopt Resolution No. 2017-28 setting levies for 2017-2018. 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 9:35 A.M. The next meeting will be held on November 14, 2017 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, November 09, 2017. 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

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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 9:36 A.M. on the 10th day of October, 2017 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; Mark Betson; Gary D. Fisher; Jerry Schumacher; Bill Hawthorne; Judy Hawthorne and Bob Hawthorne. 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, to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2017 meeting with the following correction to wit: Bob Pickering, not Bill Pickering as recorded. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, moved to approve all claims and directed the County Clerk to recode claim #17100029 in the amount of \$1613.42 to 0100-801-00-2-2700. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Correspondences received included the 2016 Annual Traffic Crash Facts pamphlet. Larry Hankin, Highway Superintendent, joined the meeting. Public Comment ensued with Jerry Schumacher reporting a group of rural citizens have been meeting for several months and asked where the Board was at with the creation of a County Road Board. He encouraged the Highway Superintendent to use the Dawes County website to correspond with area residents regarding road issues. Mr. Hankin agreed the use of the website would be a good place for weekly/monthly updates. He also suggested the Board conduct annual informational meetings. Commissioner Stewart will meet with Mr. Hankin on November 03, 2017 at 9:00 A.M. to discuss website usage and annual informational meetings.

At 10:05 A.M. Steve Arner met with the Board. He read aloud a letter expressing concern with road conditions and pulled his request to have Arner Road closed. He also indicated for the record Don Mandelko had contacted him that morning and wanted the Board to know the end of North Whitney Lake Road needs bladed. A copy of the letter read aloud by Steve Arner will become a part of these minutes. Mr. Hankin reported Arner Road was disked to the center line of the road on August 23, 2017. In other business road resurfacing was discussed at length. Those present were Bill Hawthorne, Bob Hawthorne and Judy Hawthorne. Asphalt on Hawthorne's land will be hauled, crushed and laid by Road Department Crews. Payment for the asphalt was briefly discussed. Dave Schaff, M.C. Schaff & Associates, joined the meeting. Knueppel Bridge plans over Deadhorse Creek were reviewed with the Board and Dave Schaff. Two (2) 60' pipes will be installed. Right-of-Way access from adjacent landowners will also be addressed. Plans are to have the project completed in June of 2018. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, moved to direct the Highway Superintendent to go to bid for the Knueppel Bridge project with bid opening to be held on November 14, 2017. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Mr. Hankin discussed Summers House Moving use of the Brown Road Bridge to move a house. He reported the bridge is a wood structure bridge and not wide. There was concern expressed with weight on the bridge. He also reported Mr. Summers will use more axles to assist with crossing the bridge. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, moved to direct the Highway Superintendent to get with Summers House Moving and discuss bridging weights for house moving. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Mr. Hankin then presented Road Study reports regarding Road #78 also known as Hawthorne Road; Road #244 also known as Arner Road and Road #8 also known as Lawrence Road. A Public Hearing will be held at a later date and adjacent landowners will be notified by certified mail. Road Updates included the following to wit: Blades out in all three (3) Districts. District 1-completed Airport Road and assisting District 2 in hauling gravel. District 2-hauling rock and District 3-hauling rock on Whitney Lake Road, then will move to Eleson Road.

At 11:20 A.M. Dr. Caroline Winchester, Chadron Public Schools met with the Board. She presented the 2018-2021 Panhandle Comprehensive Youth Services Prevention Plan. Upon review and discussion Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, moved to accept the 2018-2021 Panhandle Comprehensive Youth Services Prevention Plan. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. The 2018 Community Based Juvenile Services Grant in the amount of \$35,999.00 with emphasis on a Social Worker in the school system was also presented. Upon review and discussion

Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, moved to direct the Chairman of the Board to sign the 2018 Community Based Juvenile Services Grant. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. A MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) between Dawes County and Chadron Public Schools for the 2018-2019 school years was read aloud by Commissioner Stewart. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, moved to direct the Chairman to sign the MOU between Dawes County and Chadron Public Schools. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The 11:00 A.M. appointment of Jerrod Jaeger was noted for the record as a no show. The Board recessed at 11:30 A.M. and reconvened to regular session at 11:39 A.M.

At 11:40 A.M. Mandy Brice, HR Department, met with the Board to finalize and adopt updated Personnel Policies. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, moved to adopt the revised Personnel Policies as presented. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, moved to enter executive session to discuss a personnel issue at 11:49 A.M. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. At 12:10 P.M. motion to reconvene to regular session with no action taken was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera. Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Two (2) requests for use of the Courtyard were received from The Doves Program for a candlelight vigil to be held on October 29, 2017 commencing at 7:00 P.M. and Keep Chadron Beautiful for a community cleanup to be held on October 14, 2017 commencing at 8:00 A.M. were reviewed. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, moved to approve both requests as presented. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Crawford Chamber of Commerce has requested a Tourism Grant in the amount of \$2,000.00 to assist with expenses relevant to the Crawford Cattle Call to be held on November 04, 2017 in Crawford, NE. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Johnson, moved to approve the Tourism Board Grant in the amount of \$2,000.00 for the event. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Sealed bids for surplus equipment were opened to wit: Mandy Brice bid \$15.00 for Christmas decorations and Jenny Borie bid \$5.00 for nine (9) wooden chairs. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, accepting Mandy Brice's bid of \$15.00 for Christmas decorations and Jenny Borie's bid of \$5.00 for the nine (9) wooden chairs. The Dawes County Custodian is hereby also instructed to dispose of remaining surplus items. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board reviewed and approved by general consent all monthly reports of the various departments.

At 12:18 P.M. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera, moved to enter executive session for a performance appraisal. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. At 12:35 P.M. a motion to reconvene to regular session with no action taken was made by Commissioner Rivera. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Johnson. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 12:41 P.M there being no further business before the Board, the Chairman adjourned the meeting. The next meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners will be October 24, 2017 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., October 19, 2017.

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ATTEST: _____
Cheryl Feist
Dawes County Clerk

DAWES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

October 10, 2017 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	\$75.00
100	AFLAC	\$916.38
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$8,222.86
100	ARROW BUILDING CENTER	\$1,073.51
100	JUSTIN BATES	\$61.34
100	MARK BETSON	\$24.57
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-SHERIFF	\$573.70
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-VETERANS	\$277.46
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$112.50
100	SHERRI BLOME	\$75.00
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$32,155.41
100	BOX BUTTE COUNTY SHERIFF	\$19.99
100	CELESTE CATTIN	\$75.53
100	CENTURYLINK	\$1,185.43
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-CO ATTORNEY	\$17.43
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-COUNTY COURT	\$26.77
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-PUBLIC DEFEND	\$23.44
100	CENTURYLINK LONG DIST-SHERIFF	\$36.29
100	CHADRON ACE HARDWARE	\$467.70
100	CHADRON MOTOR COMPANY	\$972.11
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$588.47
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$383.55
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HUMAN RESOURCES	\$18.01
100	CRITES,SHAFFER,CONNELY,WATSON,HARF	\$75.00
100	D&S MARKET,LLC	\$1,098.91
100	DAS STATE ACCOUNTING	\$202.93
100	DAWES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$127.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$457.00
100	THEODORE DELAET,PH.D.	\$1,613.42
100	DOLLAR GENERAL	\$21.00
100	DIXIE EATON	\$25.00
100	FIRST BANKCARD/CHERYL DUNN	\$39.52
100	FIRST BANKCARD/CHERYL FEIST	\$156.81
100	FIRST BANKCARD/EXTENSION	\$27.12
100	FIRST BANKCARD/PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$561.98
100	FIRST BANKCARD/ROBERTA COLEMAN	\$121.05
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$14,245.59
100	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$431.80
100	GREGORY'S INSURANCE INC	\$50.00
100	HENCEY PLUMBING & HYDRONICS,INC	\$100.00
100	HI-TECH CAR CARE	\$158.50
100	HOLIDAY INN-KEARNEY	\$99.95
100	DANIEL R JOHNSON,DDS	\$45.00
100	KCSR-AM	\$55.00
100	TERRI LEMMON	\$9.29
100	MANNA SYSTEMS AND CONSULTING	\$138.00
100	MAXIMUS,INC	\$2,100.00
100	MIPS INC	\$3,283.41

100	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$60.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$1,391.77
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE/LEVY	\$25.00
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-WEED	\$189.60
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CLERK	\$11.14
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CO ATTORNEY	\$60.89
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/COUNTY COURT	\$115.53
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/EXTENSION	\$41.88
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/PUBLIC DEFEND	\$51.92
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/TREASURER	\$40.24
100	NEBRASKA WEED CONTROL ASSOCIATION	\$120.00
100	NORM'S NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$6.99
100	NORTHWEST AUTO BODY & PAINT	\$60.00
100	NOTARY PUBLIC UNDERWRITERS	\$190.00
100	OUTLAW PRINTERS,INC	\$17.49
100	QUALITY TIRE	\$45.88
100	QUILL CORPORATION	\$204.24
100	AMY RAGSDALE	\$101.50
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL-WEBSITE	\$99.00
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/ASSESSOR	\$109.71
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/COMMISSIONERS	\$199.47
100	SKAVDAHL & EDMUND	\$5,611.64
100	SMITH,KING AND SIMMONS,PC	\$871.05
100	BRIAN TAYLOR	\$9.87
100	THOMSON WEST PAYMENT CENTER	\$549.00
100	VAN DIEST SUPPLY COMPANY	\$1,043.75
100	MICHAEL T VARN,ATTORNEY AT LAW	\$1,520.64
100	VERIZON WIRELESS/COUNTY ATTORNEY	\$163.99
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$257.75
100	DAN WORDEKEMPER	\$225.00
100	XEROX CORPORATION/VETERANS OFFICE	\$109.73
200	AFLAC	\$246.59
200	ALLIANCE TRACTOR & IMPLEMENT CO	\$306.70
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$942.37
200	ARROW BUILDING CENTER	\$179.99
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$1,820.37
200	BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	\$1,221.12
200	CENTURYLINK	\$191.97
200	CHADRON GLASS & WINDOWS,INC	\$265.00
200	CITY OF CHADRON	\$105.65
200	CITY OF CRAWFORD	\$114.81
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$55.00
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$3,023.31
200	H&H SANITATION AND RECYCLING,INC	\$53.50
200	HERREN BROTHERS TRUE VALUE	\$93.02
200	MATHESON LINWELD INC	\$28.80
200	MSC INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY CO.	\$77.36
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$487.04
200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$68.57
200	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/ROADS	\$154.42

200	NORM'S NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$754.99
200	POWERPLAN	\$1,144.22
200	QUALITY TIRE	\$893.56
200	STATE OF NEBRASKA	\$1,780.00
200	VERIZON WIRELESS/ROADS	\$214.00
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$97.87
200	WAHLSTROM FORD INC	\$500.27
990	AFLAC	\$15.47
990	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$106.53
990	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$88.17
990	CITY OF CRAWFORD	\$400.00
990	DAWES COUNTY AG SOCIETY	\$1,500.00
990	EAGLE COMMUNICATIONS INC	\$230.00
990	FIRST BANKCARD/TOURISM	\$220.13
990	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$426.59
990	FORT ROBINSON CENTENNIAL,INC	\$1,650.00
990	KCSR-AM	\$400.00
990	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$94.70
990	NEBRASKALAND MAGAZINE	\$300.00
995	AMERICAN PAPER OPTICS,LLC	\$1,350.00
995	CHADRON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$3,750.00
2910	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$3.38
2910	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$16.50
2910	NEBRASKA CHAPTER OF APCO	\$125.00
2910	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$3.35