

CHADRON, NEBRASKA
August 13, 2019
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 13th day of August, 2019 and published pursuant to public notice as required by law and or posted. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Rivera. Roll was called and the following Commissioners were present: Commissioners Rivera, Johnson and Stewart. Also present was Deb Lesmeister, Deputy Dawes County Clerk and Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney and Lindy Coleman, Assessor. 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 Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, approving the Agenda. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart approving the July 9, 2019 minutes as presented and the July 15, 2019 minutes with the following correction that should have read open meetings act not posted meetings act. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. No correspondence to review. Lindy Coleman, Dawes County Assessor presented tax corrections #5080-5089. They were reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart to approve tax corrections #5089-5089. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Ms. Coleman then presented the Board with a roster of 24 cemeteries located within Dawes County. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson to accept the cemetery roster. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Ms. Coleman then shared the 3-year plan of Assessment, 2020 tax year will review commercial parcels, 2021 will review agriculture parcels and 2020 will review rural resident and suburban parcels. An application of exemption was presented for the Post Playhouse in Crawford. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Rivera to accept the exemption application for the Post Playhouse. Roll call vote, Nays: Stewart. Ayes: Rivera and Johnson. Motion carried. The next item presented was Board notice of value. This is applicable when a correction is made on a valuation protest during the valuation protest hearings. This notice is a follow up to the owner of the property that a change has been made by the Board of Equalization. After receipt of this the land owner has 30 day to appeal this decision after being notified. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart to approve the Board notice of value. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. There was no need for the executive session that was scheduled for 9:10 A.M. as an agreement had been reached. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson to approve the confession of judgement in Case #18R-0051. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson to approve the confession of judgement in Case #18C-0003. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Stacy Swinney entered the meeting at 9:32 A.M.

There being no further business to be conducted by the Dawes County Board of Equalization the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 9:32 A.M. The next meeting will be held on September 10, 2019 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, September 5, 2019. 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 9:34 A.M. on the 13th day of August, 2019 pursuant to public notice as required by law. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Rivera. Roll was called and the following Commissioners were present: Commissioners Rivera, Johnson and Stewart. Also present was Deb Lesmeister, Deputy Dawes County Clerk and Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney and Stacy Swinney. 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 Johnson to approve the agenda as presented with the following corrections, under items for consideration: delete talk on the radio and add State Audit. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson to approve the minutes of the July 23, 2019 meeting with the following correction, it should have stated Head Start is in full swing not Full Swing Head Start. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson to accept the claims as presented. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board reviewed and approved by general consent Official's Fee/Mileage reports. Distress warrants were reviewed. Mike Bateman and Joel Biel from Murphy Tractor entered the meeting at 9:48 A.M. Under correspondence: The Commissioners were in receipt of Jessen letter re: Resolution which Adam Edmund will review. Motion by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Johnson to accept the jail standard inspection in which the Dawes County Jail was in full compliance. Roll call vote: Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Larry Burback with NMC entered the meeting at 9:50 A.M. Public Comment: Stacy Swinney questioned what the priorities are for road projects. He stated that he was at the meeting on behalf of persons living on Dead Horse Road. He stated that a Road employee has bladed portions of Dead Horse putting all of the rock 5 foot into the ditch where it cannot be recovered, leaving nothing on the road. He stated that there is a mountain of gravel located 1 mile away and none of that is being used on that particular road. He strongly feels that Dead Horse Road should be put on a priority list and at least some of the bad spots should be fixed. He stated that in 2012 four miles of Dead Horse Road was repaired and graveled. George Ledbetter entered the meeting at 9:58 A.M.

At 10:00 A.M. Larry Hankin, Highway Superintendent approached the Board. He passed out a summary sheet of the bids received at the July 23, 2019 meeting for a used motor grader. His recommendation was to trade in the blade used by Jay Bruns in District #2 and purchase the John Deere 672GP at a cost of \$159,000.00 with a trade in allowance of \$50,000.00 for final cost of \$109,500.00. The warranty on this motor grade is good through October 2020. Motion by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Johnson to accept the recommendation of Highway Superintendent Larry Hankin to purchase the John Deere 672GP motor grader from Murphy Tractor. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Mr. Hankin also shared with the Board that in District #3 a motor grader had been taken to a fire in that area and now they have found oil in the radiator of that particular blade. Larry Burback left the meeting at 10:05 A.M. The inspections for fracture critical bridges were discussed. At this time there is an 80/20 cost share for inspections. The NDOT will pay 80% which is \$4,560.75 and Dawes County will pay the 20% share which is \$912.15. Commissioner Rivera read aloud Resolution 2019-15. Motion by Commissioner Stewart and seconded by Johnson to approve Resolution 2019-15. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Kerri Rempp, Chadron Record entered the meeting at 10:08 A.M. Mr. Hankin stated the crusher and screener are gone. The Dunlap Project will be starting next week. Also, Mark Betson had contacted a Commissioner and expressed a need for a culvert on Barrel Butte Road. Larry Hankin left the meeting at 10:15 A.M. followed by Mike Bateman and Joel Biel and Stacy Swinney. The Board recessed briefly at 10:15 A.M. and reconvened in regular session at 10:20 A.M.

Motion by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Stewart to go into executive session at 10:20 A.M. for personnel matters with George Ledbetter also attending. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Johnson and

Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. At 10:43 A.M. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart to reconvene to regular session with no action taken. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. George Ledbetter left the meeting at this time. The Board said the scheduled appointment time of 10:30 A.M. scheduled for Human Resources was no longer needed. There were no suggestions for a place to park the command center trailer. Completed inventories were reviewed by the Board. Also presented was a list of inventories (9) which had not turned in by the department heads. It is by state statute they must be completed within 2 calendar months after the close of the fiscal year, which was June 30, 2019, to be in compliance.

Brad Streeks, Custodian approached the Board at 11:07 A.M. concerning flooring at the building located at 250 Main Street. The carpet is in poor repair and presenting a safety hazard. He presented an estimate from Morford's Decorating in the amount of \$4,681.29. This will replace flooring in the upstairs hallway and the entrance into the County Attorney's office. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart to direct Mr. Streeks to move forward on the bid from Morford's Decorating. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Johnson and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Brad Streeks left the meeting at 11:12 A.M. Tessa Reece, Extension Office employee entered the meeting at 11:12 A.M. Three grants from the Travel Board were presented and reviewed. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson to approve three grants: Trading Stories Native American Film Festival for \$1,000, Governor's Pine Ridge Wild Turkey Hunt for \$500.00 and 2019 Legend Buttes Rumble for \$850.00. Roll call vote: Ayes: Johnson, Stewart and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The next item on the agenda was the State Audit proposal. Dawes County will be required to have a State Audit on the 2018-2019 fiscal year and the State sent a proposal for either a 1-year contract or a 3-year contract. After discussion, Commissioner Stewart made a motion to sign the contract for 3 years which will be for fiscal years ending 6-30- 2019, 6-30-2020 and 6-30-2021, seconded by Johnson. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Rivera and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Tessa Reece, Extension Office employee approached the Board with concerns for her position relating to the budget for the upcoming year 2019-2020. At present she is paid by the University of Lincoln and then the County reimburses UNL for 90% of costs associated with that. At present she is a salaried employee. University of Lincoln wants the County to change her to a Dawes County employee and pick up the total cost which would be approximately \$46,000.00. After discussion the Board felt that leaving her as an employee of University of Lincoln may be the best choice and paying them the 100% reimbursement costs. This may be discussed further at the budget meeting. Tessa Reece left the meeting at 11:32 A.M. Also discussed were items in the Roads budget pertaining to reducing contracted services, crusher rental, motor grader, oil and grease, CDL and travel costs, and machinery tire line items to find savings. By decreasing some of these amounts they will shift the monies to pay for the Road Department bond taken out recently. Line item costs for juvenile services in the County Court budget and General Fund were reviewed and some changes made as those costs have been rising within the County. The Communications trailer is complete so reductions were made in that line item for General Fund and also in the Sheriff's budget. The Sheriff's salary was also corrected to reflect the correct amount set by Resolution. The County Attorney and the Child Support Office administrative assistant positions were reviewed and changed to reflect salary adjustments. The Treasurer's budget was corrected to reflect salary amounts that were not correct. The Public Defender budget the line item cost for interim Public Defender was eliminated. The salary of the Clerk of District Court deputy was reviewed. The Board also reviewed the 2910 budget line item for salary amount paid to Lindy Coleman for E-911 addressing.

At 12:12 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 August 27, 2019 beginning at 9:00 A.M. The meeting will be held in the former County Courtroom located at the Courthouse. A current agenda is available at the Clerk's Office during normal business hours but will close at 12:00 P.M., August 22, 2019. **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. Also available during normal business hours are copies of any reports submitted by entities.**

ATTEST: _____
Deb Lesmeister
Deputy Dawes County Clerk

DAWES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

August 13, 2019 the following claims were audited, allowed and warrant orders drawn on the respective accounts: **Key for claims:** 100=General Fund; 200=Roads Fund; 650=HwyBridgeBuyback 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	\$1,483.74
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$10,530.49
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-SHERIFF	\$1,095.08
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$136.12
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$34,881.53
100	BOB BARKER COMPANY INC	\$312.24
100	BRANDT COURT REPORTING	\$721.46
100	KYLE BRICE	\$779.00
100	THE BUSINESS CONNECTION	\$489.02
100	BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	\$15.64
100	CELESTE CATTIN	\$35.36
100	CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC	\$153.44
100	CENTURYLINK	\$923.22
100	CHADRON ACE HARDWARE	\$405.57
100	CHADRON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL & HEALTH	\$107.00
100	CHADRON MEDICAL CLINIC	\$162.02
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$650.56
100	CITY OF CHADRON-TELETYPE	\$2,500.00
100	CONNECTING POINT	\$177.89
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$514.72
100	D&S MARKET,LLC	\$3,246.00
100	DAWES COUNTY ASSESSOR	\$400.00
100	DAWES COUNTY COURT	\$1,339.00
100	DAWES COUNTY EXTENSION	\$518.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$706.00
100	DAWSON COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE	\$18.61
100	DOLLAR GENERAL	\$33.25
100	DIXIE EATON	\$25.00
100	CHERYL FEIST	\$25.00
100	MICHAEL FELTON	\$300.00
100	FIRE & ICE MECHANICAL	\$176.84
100	FIRST BANKCARD/EXTENSION	\$88.29
100	FIRST BANKCARD/PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$79.21
100	FIRST BANKCARD/VETERANS	\$204.73
100	FIRST BANKCARD/WEED DEPT	\$218.05

100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$18,659.91
100	GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	\$437.83
100	HILLS TIRE & SUPPLY	\$990.97
100	INTRALINKS,INC	\$382.50
100	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-WEED	\$12.98
100	KCSR-AM	\$110.00
100	MADISON NATIONAL LIFE	\$86.72
100	JEANIE MELTON	\$357.34
100	MIDWEST SPECIAL SERVICES	\$1,180.50
100	MIPS INC	\$2,747.80
100	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$270.26
100	MONROE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$24.00
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$2,234.56
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-E911	\$32.50
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-WEED	\$150.64
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CLERK	\$115.33
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CO ATTORNEY	\$118.37
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/PUBLIC DEFEND	\$202.77
100	NOSSAMAN PETIT LAW FIRM,PC	\$551.25
100	PANHANDLE AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT	\$1,367.26
100	PC PITSTOP,INC	\$189.24
100	PESTS GO	\$35.00
100	PETERSEN DRUG	\$364.21
100	QUILL CORPORATION	\$549.00
100	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/COMMISSIONERS	\$142.11
100	SADDLE ROCK ONE STOP	\$998.50
100	MALYCHANH SAYALOUNE	\$10.85
100	SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY SHERIFF	\$55.52
100	SHERIDAN COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT	\$7.00
100	SKAVDAHL & EDMUND	\$5,491.28
100	SKEETERS AUTO PARTS INC	\$141.19
100	SCOTT M SWICKARD	\$1,600.00
100	VERIZON WIRELESS/COUNTY ATTORNEY	\$66.00
100	VERIZON WIRELESS/E911	\$174.87
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$238.02
100	WALMART COMMUNITY-WEED	\$104.68
100	WALMART COMMUNITY/CLERK	\$25.44
100	BOBBI WELLNTIZ	\$16.46
100	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$462.50
100	WEX BANK/SHERIFF/SHELL	\$49.00
100	JON WORTHMAN LAW OFFICE	\$787.60
100	XEROX CORPORATION/SHERIFF	\$75.64
100	XEROX CORPORATION/TREASURER	\$155.89
200	AFLAC	\$361.63
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$1,472.58
200	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$78.32
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$1,135.93

200	BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	\$204.40
200	CENTURYLINK	\$144.44
200	CHADRON MOTOR COMPANY	\$58.31
200	CITY OF CHADRON	\$118.65
200	CITY OF CRAWFORD	\$114.72
200	CNH CAPITAL PRODUCTIVITY PLUS	\$7,215.85
200	DALE'S TIRE AND RETREADING,INC	\$3,110.00
200	DAWES CO TREAS/DELINQUENT PP TAXES	\$229.94
200	DAWES COUNTY ASSESSOR	\$225.00
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$75.00
200	FIRST BANKCARD/LARRY HANKIN	\$12.02
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$4,598.84
200	GARRETT TIRES AND TREAD	\$155.00
200	GRIMM'S PUMP AND INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY	\$71.00
200	H&H SANITATION AND RECYCLING,INC	\$53.50
200	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-ROADS	\$409.93
200	MATHESON LINWELD INC	\$35.60
200	MEDICAL ENTERPRISES,INC	\$110.00
200	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS	\$38.18
200	MONTANA CSED SDU-WAGE WITHOLDING	\$171.87
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$1,007.76
200	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$110.74
200	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/ROADS	\$301.42
200	NMC EXCHANGE LLC/NEBRASKA MACHINERY	\$37,296.34
200	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/ROADS	\$29.88
200	RDO TRUCK CENTER	\$431.52
200	DAN RHEMBRANDT	\$16,449.16
200	SKEETERS AUTO PARTS INC	\$1,489.77
200	SOUTHERN HILLS FIRE & SAFETY	\$73.00
200	STURDEVANT'S AUTO PARTS	\$274.84
200	SUMMIT COMPANIES	\$88.00
200	SWINNEY BRIDGE CONST	\$5,600.00
200	TITAN MACHINERY	\$52,470.00
200	VERIZON CONNECT NWF,INC-ROADS	\$227.40
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$125.94
200	WALMART COMMUNITY-ROADS	\$100.44
200	21ST CENTURY EQUIPMENT	\$436.80
990	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$76.72
990	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$95.24
990	CLASSICS IN THE PARK COMMITTEE	\$499.00
990	FIRST BANKCARD/TOURISM	\$146.71
990	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$286.74
990	HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS-CHADRON	\$957.93
990	MALY MARKETING	\$270.00
990	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$60.65
990	VSP VISION PLAN	\$9.13
990	WESTERN NEBRASKA TOURISM COALITION	\$3,119.74

995	CLASSICS IN THE PARK COMMITTEE	\$1,887.75
995	MILES PARTNERSHIP, LLLP	\$4,000.00
995	NEBRASKA MINORITY RESOURCE CENTER	\$11,275.00
1100	STANARD APPRAISAL SERVICES INC	\$35,904.00
2500	CHADRON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	\$2,436.02
2910	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$3.38
2910	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$14.32
2910	INTRALINKS, INC	\$12,742.69
2910	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$3.33
2910	WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$890.00