

- CHADRON, NEBRASKA
January 10, 2023
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 January, 2023 and published pursuant to public notice as required by law and or posted. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Vic Rivera. Roll was called and the following Commissioners were present: Commissioner Rivera; Commissioner Jake Stewart and Commissioner Webb L. Johnson. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk; Lindy Coleman, Assessor; Wade Yada, Highway Superintendent; Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney and Kay Hill, HR. 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. The poster can be found on the door next to the United States Flag. Copies of the Act are available upon request by anyone attending the meeting or requesting a copy. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson accepting the agenda and adding First Congregational Church in Crawford application for exemption. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart to accept the minutes of the November 27, 2022 meeting as published. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Lindy Coleman, Assessor, presented an exemption application regarding First Congregational Church in Crawford for the Board's review. Upon review of said application, Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to approve the exemption application of First Congregational Church in Crawford, Ne and directing the Chairman to sign such. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Ms. Coleman then presented tax correction #'s 5250-5251 for the Boards review. Upon review of said tax correction(s) Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Stewart, moved to approve tax correction #'s 5250-5251 as presented and directed the Chairman to sign such. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. 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 9:05 A.M. The next meeting will be held on February 14, 2023 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, February 09, 2023. 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. The meeting will be held in the Commissioners Room located in the Courthouse. **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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EQUALIZATION

CHADRON, NEBRASKA

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DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners in regular session commenced at the hour of 9:06 A.M. on the 10th day of January, 2023 pursuant to public notice as required by law. The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Vic Rivera. Board Members present were Jake Stewart and Webb Johnson. Also present was Cheryl Feist, Dawes County Clerk, Wade Yada, Highway Superintendent; Kay Hill, Human Resources Director and Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney. Per LB 898, Commissioner Rivera announced the location of the Open Meetings Act located on the door by the United States Flag. Copies of the Act are available upon request. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Stewart, moved to approve the agenda. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Minutes of the December 27, 2022 meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to approve the minutes as recorded. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Claims were reviewed. Claim #23010081 in the amount of \$11,450.00 was pulled due to an error in vendor name when submitted. Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Stewart, moved to approve all claims with the exception of claim #23010081 in the amount of \$11,450.00. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Correspondences acknowledged by the Board included a letter received from Don Brush requesting appointment as Dawes County Surveyor for a term of four (4) years. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to appoint Don Brush for a term of four (4) years commencing January 01, 2023. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried.

At 9:30 A.M. Wade Yada, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board. Also present were representatives from Murphy and Nebraska Machinery. Mr. Yada reported District 1 1990 936E Loader needs a new motor and District 2 has a 2013 Motor Grader that also needs repairs. Discussion ensued amongst those present regarding equipment repairs due to the blizzard. The 2019 Crusher rental was discussed. The machine is still sitting here. Renewal rates vs. buy-out of the Crusher was discussed. The Highway Superintendent will provide information relevant to the operation of the Crusher at the next Commissioner meeting. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to direct the Highway Superintendent to secure bid(s) regarding a motor replacement and/or purchase to be approved at the January 24, 2023 Commissioner meeting and if necessary seek a short term rental. Road updates indicated all crews are still pushing snow and servicing equipment. Every county road has at least one (1) lane open. Park Miller is working on Old Dunlap Road. Deb Lesmeister, Deputy Clerk, joined the meeting. Discussion ensued regarding unused leave. The unused leave will be paid out to those individuals involved and the personnel policy will be updated to reflect changes in leave. A request to close Arner Road was brought before the Board but no action taken at this time.

At 10:00 A.M. Sam Wellnitz, Treasurer, met with the Board. He discussed a SWANN assessment with the Board. There appears to be an issue with a vendor filling out a W-9 so a claim can be paid and applied to a delinquent SWANN assessment. In order for the County to settle the SWANN assessment, a W-9 will need to be filled out by the vendor. Mr. Wellnitz also reported the deadline for Tribal ARPA funding is January 31, 2023. Dawes County is set to receive two (2) installments of \$101,722.88 each. The Treasurer reported everything is set up for receipt of Tribal ARPA funding, he just needs approval to accept the funds. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to direct the Treasurer to accept the Tribal ARPA funds. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. In other business the Board reviewed and approved by general consent all monthly fee/mileage reports as presented by various departments.

At 10:30 A.M. Reorganization of the Board ensued to wit:
Resolution No. 2023-01-Board Chair for 2023, Commissioner Stewart nominated Webb L. Johnson as Board Chairman for 2023. There being no further nominations, Commissioner Rivera seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2023-02-Vice Chairman for 2023-Commissioner Rivera nominated Jake Stewart as Vice Chair for 2023. There being no further nominations, Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes:

Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2023-03-Depositories for 2023, Commissioner Stewart introduced Resolution 2023-03 adding Chadron Federal Credit Union to the depository list and Commissioner Rivera seconded the motion. Roll was called, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2023-04 re: legal publications was introduced by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Stewart. Roll was called, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2023-05 re: appointment of Wade Yada as Highway Superintendent for fiscal year 2023 was introduced by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera. Roll was called, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Resolution No. 2023-06 regarding 911 surcharge setting the rate at \$1.00 per line was introduced by Commissioner Rivera and seconded by Commissioner Stewart. Roll was called, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The 2023 Holiday schedule was reviewed by the Board. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to approve the 2023 Holiday schedule as presented. Roll was called, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. The 2023 Commissioner meeting dates were reviewed by Board Members. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to approve the 2023 BOE/Commissioner meeting dates. Roll was called, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. The 2023 Commissioner Board Appointments were reviewed. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Commissioner Stewart, moved for Board Members to keep current Boards they represent but change Safety Committee representative to Webb L. Johnson and Courthouse Building and Grounds to Commissioner Stewart. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board recessed at 10:47 A.M. and reconvened to regular session at 10:58 A.M. Joni Jespersen, Mobius, Ron Pelton and members of the Whitney Irrigation Board joined the meeting. The Board discussed the match they agreed to assist with on Whitney Irrigation's grant applied for. Ron Pelton updated the Board on the grant status. He informed the Board another grant opportunity is available for the District but will also require a match. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to pull ARPA funds in the total amount of \$110,000.00 regarding a grant match effective September 01, 2023. Roll was called, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. In other business Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to authorize painting of the Jail Facility. Roll was called, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Two (2) surplus request submitted by the Assessor to surplus a printer and copier that will be disposed of was reviewed. Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Stewart, moved to surplus the printer and copier in the Assessor's office. Roll was called, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board then discussed the replacement of Jenny Borie as ARPA Reporter for Dawes County. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to keep Jenny Borie on as Reported until such time a report has been filed regarding ARPA. Deb Lesmeister will take over ARPA reporting responsibilities. Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Kerri Rempp, Tourism Director, joined the meeting. The Board reviewed the Post Playhouse grant in the amount of \$25,000.00 and approved by the Tourism Board to replace all seating in the theatre. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to approve the grant to the Post Playhouse in the amount of \$25,000.00. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Ms. Rempp also requested a credit card increase due to the amount of travel involved with attending travel shows to promote Northwest Nebraska. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Johnson, moved to grant a credit card increase to \$3500.00. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 A.M. The next meeting of the Dawes County Commissioners will be held on January 24, 2023 beginning at 9:00 A.M. The meeting will be held in the Commissioner Room. The agenda will close at noon on January 19, 2023. **All Resolutions adopted by the Dawes County Board of Commissioners are available for public inspection during normal business hours of the County Clerk's Office.**

ATTEST: _____
Cheryl Feist
Dawes County Clerk

DAWES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

January 10, 2023 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; 2501=CDGB Fund 2700=Inheritance; 2910-911=Emergency Communications; 2913=Wireless Communications; 4600= Bond Payment Fund

FUND	NAME	TOTCLAIMS
100	AFLAC	\$1,698.36
100	AGING OFFICE OF WESTERN NEBRASKA	\$1,968.00
100	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$13,001.99
100	JUDY BERGFELD	\$132.00
100	BIG BAT'S LLC-SHERIFF	\$833.80
100	BIG BAT'S SHELL-VETERANS	\$249.71
100	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	\$879.51
100	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$40,206.95
100	CAPITAL ONE NA	\$34.55
100	CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING CO	\$1,102.21
100	CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC	\$32.00
100	CENTURYLINK	\$568.10
100	CHADRON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	\$160.00
100	CITY OF CHADRON	\$607.66
100	CITY OF CRAWFORD	\$1,600.00
100	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$384.84
100	CRAWFORD RSVP	\$2,000.00
100	CRAWFORD SENIOR CITIZENS PROGRAM	\$2,500.00
100	CRITES,SHAFFER,CONNEALY,WATSON,HARF	\$20.00
100	CULLIGAN-ASSESSOR	\$34.50
100	DAWES COUNTY COURT	\$1,039.50
100	DAWES COUNTY DISTRICT COURT	\$1,354.00
100	DAWES COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY	\$4,500.00
100	DAWES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$128.00
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$523.50
100	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$375.00
100	DOCU-SHRED LLC	\$200.00
100	DIXIE EATON	\$25.00
100	FIRST BANKCARD/CHERYL FEIST	\$478.45
100	FIRST BANKCARD/PUBLIC DEFENDER	\$349.64
100	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$21,642.50
100	DILLON HALL	\$131.02
100	HARRIS SALES COMPANY INC	\$237.64
100	INTRALINKS,INC	\$45.00
100	ARNOLD JOHNSON	\$60.00
100	DANIEL R JOHNSON,DDS	\$553.00
100	KCSR-AM	\$110.00

100	FRANKLIN H KEIM	\$108.00
100	GERALD D MCCOY	\$24.00
100	MIPS INC	\$4,573.98
100	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$2,772.64
100	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DIST-WEED	\$253.18
100	NEBRASKA TOTAL OFFICE/CLERK	\$1,331.23
100	NKC TIRE	\$813.64
100	NORTHWEST NEBRASKA DEVELOPMENT CORP	\$7,000.00
100	OFFICE DEPOT CREDIT PLAN	\$45.80
100	PESTS GO	\$35.00
100	REG I OFFICE OF HUMAN DEVELOPMENT	\$3,285.00
100	REG 1 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AUTHORITY	\$15,507.00
100	REGIER CUSTOM DESIGN	\$686.00
100	REGION 23 EMERGENCY SERVICES	\$14,058.00
100	SAN BERNARDINO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$40.00
100	SCOTTS BLUFF CO DETENTION CENTER	\$15,772.81
100	DUIANE E SEEGRIST	\$36.00
100	SENIOR VOLUNTEER SERVICES	\$4,000.00
100	SKAVDAHL & EDMUND	\$5,660.00
100	SMITH,KING AND SIMMONS,PC	\$4,486.05
100	JERRY STERLING	\$36.00
100	VERIZON WIRELESS/COUNTY ATTORNEY	\$72.68
100	VSP VISION PLAN	\$259.26
100	CAPITAL ONE NA	\$63.28
100	CAPITAL ONE NA	\$54.56
100	RANDALL WOLVINGTON	\$24.00
100	XEROX CORPORATION/TREASURER	\$119.58
200	AFLAC	\$433.21
200	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$2,176.32
200	BEGUIN PROPANE	\$1,165.66
200	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$1,475.92
200	BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY	\$2,810.45
200	CENTURYLINK	\$17.23
200	CITY OF CHADRON	\$140.41
200	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$75.00
200	FASTENAL COMPANY	\$61.58
200	FIRST BANKCARD/ROADS	\$3,696.08
200	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$7,675.70
200	JAY D GOFF	\$5,490.00
200	H&H SANITATION AND RECYCLING,INC	\$70.00
200	HERREN BROTHERS TRUE VALUE	\$175.72

200	JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL-ROADS	\$484.23
200	KAISER TIRE MOBILE SERVICE	\$265.00
200	KCSR-AM	\$220.00
200	MATHESON LINWELD INC	\$41.08
200	MONTANA CSED SDU-WAGE WITHOLDING	\$165.00
200	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$1,925.45
200	PHILLIPS F & T INC	\$22,755.18
200	STATE OF NEBRASKA	\$929.00
200	VIAERO WIRELESS-ROADS	\$146.80
200	VSP VISION PLAN	\$93.88
200	WOHLERS RANCH LLC	\$1,128.75
990	AFLAC	\$13.20
990	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$72.65
990	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF NE	\$114.53
990	CRAWFORD CLIPPER/HARRISON SUN	\$8.84
990	CRAWFORD SENIOR PROFESSIONAL RODEO	\$437.13
990	FIRST BANKCARD/TOURISM	\$1,235.99
990	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$124.06
990	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$23.70
990	RAPID CITY JOURNAL/VISITOR PROMO	\$7.36
990	VSP VISION PLAN	\$9.79
1150	BEAR GRAPHICS,INC	\$272.83
2500	CHADRON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	\$3,365.88
2501	NORTHWEST NEBRASKA DEVELOPMENT CORP	\$833.70
2580	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$4.50
2580	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$21.54
2580	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$5.11
2580	911 CUSTOM,LLC	\$4,261.00
2910	AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP	\$3.38
2910	FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NORTH PLATTE	\$13.61
2910	INTRALINKS,INC	\$136.50
2910	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES GROUP	\$229.88
2910	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$3.24
2913	LUMEN TECHNOLOGIES GROUP	\$980.01
4600	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$12,532.50
4600	DAWES COUNTY TREASURER	\$70,200.00