

**CHADRON, NEBRASKA**  
**April 09, 2024**  
**DAWES COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**

The Public convened meeting of the Dawes County Board of Equalization in special session was commenced at the hour of 9:00 A.M. on the 9th day of April, 2024 and published pursuant to public notice as required by law and or posted. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Webb Johnson. Roll was called and the following Commissioners were present: Commissioner Rivera; Commissioner Stewart, Cheryl Feist, County Clerk, Lindy Coleman, Assessor, Adam Edmund, Deputy County Attorney: Wade Yada, Highway Superintendent; Regina Ochoa; Bruce L. Bump; Rick Hessler and David Bauerkemper. 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 Rivera, accepting the agenda; removing tax corrections per Lindy Coleman, Assessor Roll call vote, Ayes: Stewart, Johnson and Rivera. Nays: None. Motion carried. Motion by Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2024 meeting as recorded. Roll call vote, Ayes: Johnson, Rivera and Stewart. Nays: None. Motion carried. Lindy Coleman, Assessor, informed those present she has been in contact with the State regarding five (5) permissive exemptions they are questioning the exemption on. The American Legion exemption was reviewed with the Assessor and the Board stood firm with the exemption status of the American Legion. The Post Playhouse is being questioned regarding storage and empty lot. The Post Playhouse decision is being appealed. Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Rivera, moved to include the parcel with storage building being not exempt. Roll call vote, Ayes: Rivera, Stewart and Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Chadron Model Aviation Club was represented by Bruce L. Bump who indicated they utilize STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics). Additionally, the club does education at the schools which is recognized through STEM. The place is certified as a federally recognized and FAA certified. The Board again stood firm on the exemption status. Community Center at Bethel Road was addressed by Regina Ochoa who indicated the community center is a religious organization promoting education and charity. There is also a cemetery located at the community center. The Board again stood firm on their exempt status for Community Center at Bethel. The Pine Ridge Cycle Association was addressed by David Bauerkemper who said this is a 501C Organization. This is a track for motocross where individuals young or older can learn how to ride properly. Bauerkemper's of Chadron maintains the track and ATV Safety classes are conducted at the track. The Board told the Assessor this organization will remain exempt. The Miller-Yoder parcel in question is an Amish school built on their property. This parcel will remain on exempt status. The Congregational Church has submitted a letter re: occupants living in the Church.

There being no further business to be conducted by the Dawes County Board of Equalization, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 9:33 A.M. The next meeting will be held on May 13, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. at which time permissive exemption appeals will be conducted. 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 09, 2024. 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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