

Board of Equalization  
July 14, 2020

At 8:25 a.m. a meeting of the Board of Equalization was called to order by Chairman Jerad Sornson. Answering present at roll call were Commissioner Sornson, Commissioner Freshman, Commissioner Parsons, Commissioner Speth and Commissioner Thurman.

Chairman Sornson informed the public in attendance that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the south wall of the Courtroom.

Commissioner Thurman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Parsons to accept the agenda as posted. There being no further discussion Chairman Sornson called for a vote. Voting aye were Commissioners Sornson, Freshman, Parsons, Speth, and Thurman. Nay – none. Motion carried.

Commissioner Freshman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Thurman to accept the minutes from the previous meeting and not have them read as each member was furnished with a copy of same. There being no further discussion, Chairman Sornson called for a vote. Voting aye were Commissioners Freshman, Parsons, Speth, Thurman, and Sornson. Nay – none. Motion carried.

Christi Smallfoot, County Assessor, presented board notices to the Board. She explained that new legislation has changed the LCG capabilities for grassland and changed the capability codes. This caused approximately 2,800 changes in value and they are now in line with the market. Ms. Smallfoot also noted that there was an error on Countyside Bank's record of \$2,040 and has been corrected. Commissioner Speth made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Freshman, to approve the board notices. Voting aye were Commissioners Parsons, Speth, Thurman, Sornson and Freshman. Nay – none. Motion carried.

The following tax list corrections were presented to the board: 1) Parcel #005071000 – deduct \$45.06 from tax year 2019 – clerical error when processing parcel split for property transfer; 2) Parcel #005070500 – add \$45.08 to tax year 2019 – clerical error was made when processing parcel split for property transfer; 3) Parcel #000046500 – add \$28.94 to tax year 2020 – accelerated taxes paid due to the sale of mobile home; 4) Parcel #000074500 – add \$87.06 to tax year 2020 – accelerated taxes paid due to the sale of mobile home. Commissioner Freshman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Thurman, to approve the tax list corrections as presented.

Chairman Sornson acknowledged the receipt of the Assessor's three-year plan for assessing properties.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, and since all items on the agenda have been disposed of, Chairman Sornson declared the meeting adjourned at 8:36 a.m.

I, Jennifer Bassinger, County Clerk for Otoe County, do hereby certify that the above minutes were taken by me, and are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and I therefore set my hand and affix my seal this 14th day of July, 2020.

Jennifer Bassinger/Otoe County Clerk