

Board of Equalization  
January 3, 2023

At 8:30 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, and Commissioner Crownover. Commissioner Thurman was absent.

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.

Parsons made a motion, seconded by Crownover to accept the agenda as posted. Voting aye were Sornson, Freshman, Parsons, and Crownover. Nay – none. Motion carried.

Freshman made a motion, seconded by Parsons to accept the minutes from the previous meeting and not have them read as each member was furnished with a copy of same. Voting aye were Freshman, Parsons, Crownover, and Sornson. Nay – none. Motion carried.

The meeting was turned over to the Jenny Bassinger, County Clerk, for the election of a Chairman of the Board for year 2023. The Clerk called for nominations from the floor. Freshman nominated Commissioner Jerad Sornson as Chairman of the Board. There being no other nominations, Freshman made a motion, seconded by Crownover to appoint Commissioner Jerad Sornson to be Chairman of the Board of Equalization for the year 2023. Voting aye were Commissioners Parsons, Crownover, Sornson, and Freshman. Voting nay – none. Motion carried.

The Clerk called for nominations from the floor for Vice-Chairman of the Board for year 2023. Sornson nominated Commissioner Rick Freshman Vice-Chairman of the Board for year 2023. There being no other nominations, Sornson made a motion, seconded by Crownover to cease nominations and to appoint Commissioner Rick Freshman to be Vice-Chairman of the Board for the year 2023. Voting aye were Crownover, Sornson, Freshman and Parsons. Nay – none. Motion carried.

The meeting was returned to the Chairman to resume the agenda as listed.

Christi Smallfoot, County Assessor, presented the following tax list corrections to the board: 1) Parcel #453203802 – deduct \$535.54 from tax year 2022 – value previously reported for 2022 was incorrect; amended return was filed and correction was made to taxable value; 2) Parcel #453201456 – deduct \$34.10 from tax year 2022 – property was reported in the wrong tax district; amended return was filed and correction was made regarding error; 3) Parcel #453201456 – deduct \$45.26 from tax year 2021 – property was reported in the wrong tax district; amended return was filed and correction was made regarding error; 4) Parcel 000443000 – deduct \$5,165.58 from tax year 2022 – permissive exemption was granted for 2022 but was not entered correctly in the computer system; parcel should have been exempt for 2022 assessment year; 5) Parcel #999554087 – add \$452.12 to tax year 2023. Parsons made a motion, seconded by Crownover, to approve the tax list corrections as presented. Voting aye were Sornson, Freshman, Parsons, and Crownover. Nay – none. Motion carried.

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 8:37 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 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January 2023.

Jennifer Bassinger/Otoe County Clerk