

Board of Equalization  
October 31, 2023

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, and Commissioner Crownover. Commissioner Cole was absent.

Chairman Sornson stated that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is located near the door of the courtroom.

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

Parsons made a motion, seconded by Crownover, 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 Sornson, Freshman, Crownover, and Parsons. Nay – none. Motion carried.

Chairman Sornson opened a public hearing regarding the change and re-certification of the City of Syracuse's tax levy for fiscal year 2023-2024. The Board of Equalization had certified levies for taxing entities within Otoe County on October 10, 2023. After this date, a resolution setting the property tax request and amended budget documents were received for the City of Syracuse. According to Statute 77-1601, the Board of Equalization has the authority to correct and re-certify a levy on or before November 5<sup>th</sup>. The change of the tax request was due to a change in the interlocal agreement amount of the original budget. The original certified tax request and levy were \$790,967.34 with a levy of \$.500000 per \$100 in value and the amended tax request is \$761,350.60 with a decreased levy of \$.481278 per \$100 in value. There was no public comment, and the hearing was closed.

Crownover made a motion, seconded by Parsons, to adopt Resolution #10-31-23-35 to correct the levy for the City of Syracuse and certify the levy for fiscal year 23-24 as \$.481278. Voting aye were Freshman, Crownover, Parsons, and Sornson. 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 8:29 a.m.

I, Jenny 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 31st day of October 2023.

Jenny Bassinger  
Otoe County Clerk