## HITCHCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Trenton, Nebraska July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014

A meeting of the Board of Equalization of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Community Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2014 commencing at 1:00 p.m. Those present were Chair McDonald, Commissioners Paul Nichols and Ron Wertz, County Clerk Margaret Pollmann, County Assessor Judy McDonald, Assessment Assistant Marie Smith, Sara Scott NPAD Senior Tax Specialist, Chelsey Fessler, NPAD Field Liaison and County Attorney D. Eugene Garner. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County News. Board agendas are posted on the County's website <a href="www.hitchcockcounty.ne.gov">www.hitchcockcounty.ne.gov</a>. Notice of the meeting and availability of the agenda were given to the Chair and all members of the Board. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. The Meetings Act was available for review and Chair indicated the location of such copy in the room where the meeting was being held.

Clerk Pollmann presented copies of letters that were sent to each protestant providing statutory notice of hearing date and time which were received and marked Exhibit #3.

The following property valuation protests were read, reviewed and discussed. Each protestant present read their respective protest and offered comments.

- Protest #14-14 DeLoris Altman on parcel #440002826, represented by Patricia and Charles Powers
- Protests #14-25, #14-26, #14-27 and #14-28 Kenneth Pierce on parcels #440039592, #440075662, #440035910, and #440035805
- Protests #14-30, #14-31, and #14-32 Kurt D. Ross on parcels #440022320, #440026385, and #440026326, Cindy Ross present.
- Protests #14-33, #14-34, #14-35 and #14-36 Thomas L. and Letty J. Richards on parcels #440043956, #440072581, #440042755, #440042836
- Protest #14-101 Lanora Walker on parcel #440007275
- Protest #14-38 Lowell & Marlene Bedore, Marlene Bedore on parcel #440001420 Exhibit #4 on this protest was received.
- Protest #14-39 Michael Apple on parcel #440005418
- Protests #14-41, #14-42, #14-43, #14-44, and #14-45: Robert L. Brown on parcels #440007747, #440021316, #440024315, #440024307, and #440018986
- Protest #14-46 William W. and Rita K. Fritsch, William W. Fritch on parcel #440003060
- Protests #14-47 and #14-48 Milan T. Evans on parcels #440019834 and #440026172 represented by Ted Rippen
- Protests #14-49, #14-50, #14-51, #14-52, #14-53, and #14-54, Theador A. Rippen on parcels #440020298, #440019748, #440025559, #440023319, #440025575, and #440024862
- Protest #14-113, Crews Farms, LLC on parcel #440023483 represented by Ted Rippen
- Protests #14-58 and #14-59, Rodney E. Pierce on parcels #440035848 and #440035783
- Protests #14-55, #14-56 and #14-57, Kurt Rehfuss via phone conference on parcels #440019540, #440003636, and #440019826
- Protests #14-60, #14-61 and #14-62 Loretta Sandberg on parcels #440039088, #440039266, #44039282.
  Also present Chris Sandberg

Board entered into the record the following protests, noting protestants were not present.

- Protest #14-37: Craig Scott on parcel #440006228
- Protests #14-63, #14-64, #14-65, #14-66, #14-67, and #14-68, Randon and Laurie Peters on parcels 440017297, #440024765, #440017386, #440017378, #440017300, and #440017297

The board took each protest listed under advisement and each protestant present was informed that they would be notified of the board's final decision via first class mail and that the action of the County Board of Equalization upon a protest may be appealed to the Nebraska Tax Equalization and Review Commission (TERC).

Assessor McDonald advised that a copy of that portion of the property record file (for all duly filed 2014 property valuation protests) which substantiates the calculation of the protested value is maintained in the County Assessor's office, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska, in electronic and/or paper form.

Board noted that Protest #14-16 was withdrawn by filer Rodney L. and Pamula K. Oschsner.

The Board of Equalization considered the testimony and evidence presented on the above listed protests.

Member Nichols moved to recess Board of Equalization at 5:15 p.m. this date and to reconvene Tuesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 at 9:15 a.m. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion. McDonald, Wertz and Nichols. Motion carried.

ATTEST:	Scott McDonald, Chair
Margaret M. Pollmann, Hitchcock Co. Clerk	k SEAL