



February 13, 2018

The Merrick County Board of Equalization met Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Kucera, Weller, Kreachbaum, Carlson, Helgoth, Graves, and Wiegert present. County Attorney Homolka was also present.

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal and the Merrick County Website. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Wiegert declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Moved Kucera, second Graves to convene as Board of Equalization at 9:00 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes Weller led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Agenda: Moved Kucera, second Helgoth to approve the agenda. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Minutes: Moved Carlson, second Kucera to approve the minutes of January 23, 2018 as published. Roll Call: All Ayes. **Exemption application hearing**: Moved Graves, second Kucera, open the hearing for new exemption applications and any other previously granted exemptions submitted to the Assessor at 9:03 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Central Nebraska Community Action Partnership asked to pull their six applications because they did not feel their agency qualified for the exemption and Assessor Placke agreed. Central City Baptist Church submitted an exemption application for a vacant lot on Highway 14. Assessor Placke does not feel this should be exempt because she said it is not being used for religious purposes. Moved Kucera, second Helgoth to close the hearing at 9:08 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Kucera, second Helgoth deny the six exemptions for Central Nebraska Community Action Partnership. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Kucera, second Kreachbaum to approve all of the previously granted exemptions. Roll Call: All Ayes. Moved Kucera, Second Weller to deny the Central City Baptist Church exemption for Lot 1 & 2, Block 4, Jones Addition to Central City. Roll Call: Ayes: Graves, Kucera, Helgoth, Weller, Kreachbaum, and Wiegert. Nays: None. Abstain: Carlson.

Vehicle Exemption: Moved Kucera, second Carlson to approve vehicle exemptions for Nebraska Christian Schools for a 2000 Bluebird Bus, 2015 Chevrolet Express Van, 2007 Chevrolet Sport Van, 2008 Chevrolet Sport Van, 1987 Bluebird Bus, 2002 Chevrolet Outaway, 1987 MCI Bus, 2014 Chevrolet Sport Van, 1998 GMC Suburban, and a 1996 GMC Pickup. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Kucera, second Helgoth to adjourn at 9:22 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk