PROCEEDINGS OF THE KNOX COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Center, Nebraska January 9, 2025 10:15 a.m.

A reorganizational meeting of the Knox County Board of Equalization was held at the Courthouse in Center, Nebraska on the date of Thursday, January 9, 2025 at 10:15 a.m. Present were Supervisors Martin J. O'Connor District #1, Kevin G. Mlady District #2, David L. Pierce District #3, James Sokol, Jr. District #4, Kevin D. Mackeprang District #5, Danny R. Schlote District #6 and James J. Borgmann District #7. Absent was none. Chairman Schlote presiding.

Chairman Schlote announced to the public that a copy of the Public Open Meeting Act was posted in the Boardroom.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Creighton News newspaper, as shown by the Affidavit of Publication attached to these minutes.

Notice of this meeting was simultaneously given to all members and a copy of their acknowledgment and receipt of notice and agenda is attached to these minutes. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was opened to the attendance of the public.

County Clerk Fischer read the December 23, 2024 meeting minutes. Chairman Schlote approved the minutes of the December 23, 2024 meeting.

Chairman Schlote appointed County Clerk Fischer as Temporary Chairperson of the Knox County Board of Equalization due to the reorganization process.

Temporary Chairperson/County Clerk Fischer called three times for nominations from the floor for the 2025 Chairman of the Knox County Board of Equalization. Supr. O'Connor nominated Supr. Schlote.

Motion by Supr. Sokol, Jr., seconded by Supr. Borgmann that nominations cease, rules be suspended and to cast a unanimous ballot for Supr. Schlote for Chairman of the Knox County Board of Equalization for 2025. By roll call vote. Ayes Districts #1, #2, #3, #4, #5 and #7. Nays none. Abstain District #6. Motion carried. Supr. Schlote assumed the duties of the 2025 Chairman of the Knox County Board of Equalization.

Chairman Schlote called for nominations three times from the floor for the 2025 Vice-Chairman of the Knox County Board of Equalization. Supr. Sokol, Jr. nominated Supr. Mackeprang.

Motion by Supr. Mlady, seconded by Supr. Borgmann that nominations cease, rules be suspended and to cast a unanimous ballot for Supr. Mackeprang for Vice-Chairman of the Knox County Board of Equalization for 2025. By roll call vote. Ayes Districts #1, #2, #3, #4, #6 and #7. Nays none. Abstain District #5. Motion carried. Supr. Mackeprang assumed the duties of the 2025 Vice-Chairman of the Knox County Board of Equalization.

Chairman Schlote announced the 2025 Committee as follows: **KNOX COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION TAX CLAIMS** – Supervisors Martin O'Connor, Kevin Mackeprang, and James Borgmann; and County Assessor Christa Beckmann.

Motion by Supr. Sokol, Jr., seconded by Supr. Pierce to designate all 2025 Notices of Meeting be posted on the Knox County Website being www.co.knox.ne.us; the Notice of Meeting for the first regular meeting of each month be published in the Creighton News newspaper and posted on their website; the Notice of Meeting for the second regular meeting of each month be published in the Crofton Journal newspaper and their website; the Notice of Meeting for the third regular meeting of each month to be and special meeting/quorum meeting notices will be published in both the Creighton News and Crofton Journal newspapers and their websites; and all Notices of Meeting will be posted on the statewide public notice website of https://www.nepublicnotices.com. By roll call vote. Ayes all Districts. Nays none. Motion carried.

Motion by Supr. Mackeprang, seconded by Supr. Sokol, Jr. to approve updating the Assessor's Farmers and Merchants State Bank safety deposit box account by removing the name of former Assessor's Office Appraiser Kathy Wagner from the account. By roll call vote. Ayes all Districts. Nays none. Motion carried.

Motion by Supr. Borgmann, seconded by Supr. Pierce to approve Tax List Correction #8017 James J. and Patricia K. Dinklage as a 2005 JD 200CLC excavator was doubled entered. By roll call vote. Ayes all Districts. Nays none. Motion carried.

County Assessor Beckmann informed the Board that the staff continue to finish the year-end work.

Public comment session was held at 10:33 a.m. There was no public comment given.

Chairman Schlote adjourned the Knox County Board of Equalization at 10:33 a.m. on Thursday, January 9, 2025 until 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2025 for a regular meeting.

I, Joann M. Fischer, Knox County Clerk, do hereby certify that the County Board of Equalization minutes are correct to the best of my knowledge.

ATTEST:

Joann M. Fischer, Knox County Clerk

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Danny R. Schlote, Chairman