

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Madison, Nebraska

December 7, 2010

The Board of Equalization of Madison County, Nebraska met at 9:00 A.M.

Advance notice of meeting was published in the Thursday, December 2, 2010 edition of The Norfolk Daily News. A copy of said notice was mailed to each Board member. An affidavit of acknowledgment of receipt of notice of meeting as published was executed.

Present: Commissioners Jerry McCallum, Rick Uhlir, and Lee Klein, and County Clerk Nancy Scheer. Chairman Lee Klein called the meeting to order and notified the public of the location of the information regarding the Open Meeting Act posted in the meeting room.

Motion was made by McCallum and seconded by Uhlir to approve the agenda for the meeting. Roll call vote: Ayes, McCallum, Uhlir, and Klein. Nays, none. Motion carried.

County Assessor Jeff Hackerott submitted the following tax list corrections:
#2650: Kirk and Marci Flood, P.O. Box 56, Osmond, Nebraska
Deduction from the tax rolls in the amount of \$1,112.12 for correction to the 2009 personal property taxes due to clerical error
#2651: Marjorie Summers, 504 South 8th Street, Norfolk
Addition to the tax rolls in the amount of \$4.78 for acceleration of 2010 personal property taxes due to sale of taxable equipment in April 2010

After discussion, it was moved by Uhlir and seconded by McCallum to approve the tax list corrections as submitted. Roll call vote: Ayes, McCallum, Uhlir, and Klein. Nays, none. Motion carried.

The Board of Equalization adjourned at 9:04 A.M.

County Clerk

Chairman

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

Madison, Nebraska

December 7, 2010

The Board of County Commissioners of Madison County, Nebraska met in regular session at 9:30 A.M.

Advance notice of meeting was published in the Thursday, December 2, 2010 edition of The Norfolk Daily News. A copy of said notice was mailed to each Board member. An affidavit of acknowledgment of receipt of notice of meeting as published was executed. Chairman Jerry McCallum called the meeting to order and notified the public of the location of the information regarding the Open Meeting Act posted in the meeting room.

Present: Commissioners Jerry McCallum, Rick Uhlir, and Lee Klein, and County Clerk Nancy Scheer. County Highway Superintendent Richard Johnson joined the meeting at 9:44 A.M.

Chairman Jerry McCallum read the following consent agenda items into the record:

- 1) Approval of minutes of the November 22, 2010 meeting

Motion was made by Uhlir and seconded by Klein to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes, McCallum, Uhlir, and Klein. Nays, none. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Uhlir and seconded by Klein to approve the regular agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes, McCallum, Uhlir, and Klein. Nays, none. Motion carried.

Jesus Martin, Managing Partner and Kinsley Johnson, Wind Developer from Green Capital Power met with the Board regarding development of wind farms in Madison County.

Kingsley Johnson submitted a document explaining what wind energy is, the benefits of wind energy development for the community, and the vision and goals of Green Capital Power. He stated that wind energy is converting the kinetic energy into electric energy. He reported that the amount of wind energy produced depends upon wind speed and the size of the turbine. He explained that most turbines are between one and five megawatts. He reported that a one megawatt wind turbine working at 40% capacity will produce enough energy for 320 American homes. Mr. Johnson stated that in terms of U.S. energy security, wind energy diversifies the electricity portfolio, is a USA made energy source, and it creates stable prices which are not subject to the extreme highs and lows of the oil and gas market. He reported that for energy consumers, wind energy reduces the demand for fossil fuels, in turn reducing these fuel costs and stabilizing the electric rates. He explained that for local economies, wind energy creates new additional sources of income, raises additional tax revenues, and strengthens local income, consumption and investment. Mr. Johnson stated that for American workers, wind energy generates skilled and well-paid direct jobs for many sectors such as component manufacturing, engineering and construction, transportation as well as finance and advisory services.

Mr. Johnson explained that for the environment, wind energy avoids air pollution, reduces overall greenhouse gasses and emissions, and reduces the amount of water that is used in other forms of electricity generation. He explained that wind energy production is a good investment because it is secure, stable, and profitable and is it 100% USA-made source and 100% emissions free. He stated that wind energy is currently competitive in terms of cost of energy produced and will benefit from new technological advances and cost reductions for itself as the market grows larger and larger. He explained that the internal rate of return is between 6% and 12%. Mr. Johnson reported that in the next 20 years, the renewal energy section will multiply by 6 to 8 times its installed capacity up to 200,000 to 300,000 megawatt in the USA. He reported that in the first quarter of 2010, the USA had 36,500 megawatts of capacity and that it expected to grow 6 to 8 times by 2020 and 2030. He stated that compared to Spain and Europe, the USA has a lot of potential for growth. He reported that the benefits for the local community include reduction of the demand for fossil fuels, reduction of the cost for consumers, and stimulation of the local economy by the creation of new jobs. He stated that wind energy has benefits in displacing more polluting fuels. Mr. Johnson reported that Green Capital Power is a renewable energy company based in Lincoln and is owned by a holding company in Spain called MB&A. He stated that their approach to the market is to start from the beginning and complete all the processes along the way. He explained that the company is focused in wind energy in the Midwest, specifically in Nebraska. He stated that in 2010 the company became a U.S. subsidiary with local teams set up to begin development in the State of Nebraska. He stated that by 2013, Green Capital Power would like to have about 1,500 megawatts under some stage of production and between 2013 and 2015 the company would like to have 300 megawatts ready to build. He reported that the key strengths of the company include 10 years of renewable energies' projects experience in both Spain and internationally, extensive experience in regulatory framework definition, and 30+ years of top management team experience in the renewable energies sector.

Commissioner Klein stated that Madison County has adopted a resolution allowing wind energy farms. Chairman McCallum questioned if the company has any wind energy farms developed in Madison County and Kingsley Johnson responded that the company started in Nebraska in June. Commissioner Uhlir questioned where the turbines were manufactured and Kinsley Johnson responded that there are several manufacturing companies in the United States. Jesus Martin reported that there are two manufacturing companies located in Iowa and another company located in Colorado. Commissioner McCallum questioned what land owners receives when a wind tower is placed on their property and Jesus Martin responded that there are several factors involved when determining a lease amount, but there is a minimum amount of \$2,500 per megawatt and a maximum payment established. He stated that the first step in placement of a wind tower is to complete a study of the area to determine the number of towers and the distance to a substation. He stated

Commissioner Klein reported that Nebraska Public Power District had a testing station located west of Madison and Third Planet Windpower has also been working in Madison County.

Jesus Martin questioned what the next step would be for Green Capital Power and Commissioner Klein responded that the county has a resolution adopted allowing wind energy farms in the county. He recommended that the company contact Nebraska Public Power District and Planning and Zoning Administration John Johnson.

Chairman McCallum questioned which companies are placing wind towers in Boone County and Kingsley Johnson responded that Third Planet Windpower and Midwest Energy are the two companies working in Boone County. Chairman McCallum questioned if Green Capital Power has wind turbines in other states and Kingsley Johnson responded that the company is starting in Nebraska. Jesus Martin stated that they also plan to look at South Dakota and Kansas; however, they are focusing in Nebraska.

No action was taken by the Board.

County Clerk Nancy Scheer reported that the Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion Post #35 submitted the names of three individuals to serve as a member on the Madison County Veterans' Service Committee to replace Mel Olmer. She further reported that Veterans' Service Office Mike Smith recommended the appointment of Larry Dittberner.

After discussion, it was moved by Uhlir and seconded by Klein to appoint Larry Dittberner to serve as a member on the Madison County Veterans' Service Committee to replace Mel Olmer, with said term to expire July 1, 2015. Roll call vote: Ayes, McCallum, Uhlir, and Klein. Nays, none. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Klein and seconded by Uhlir to table the final payment for the Public Defender's building addition. Roll call vote: Ayes, McCallum, Uhlir, and Klein. Nays, none. Motion carried.

The following claims were audited:

GENERAL FUND		
Total Net Payroll		113,692.82
Afternooners	Meals, County Jail	60.45
Ronald Albin	Legal Services, County Court	201.95
American Broadband CLEC	Internet Services, Probation	75.86
American Family Life Assurance Company	Insurance Premiums	688.86
Ameritas Life Insurance Corporation	Employee Share Retirement	7,310.89
Ameritas Life Insurance Corporation	Employer Share Retirement	10,754.09
Ameritas Life Insurance Corporation	Insurance Premiums	363.74
Appeara	Mat Service, Courthouse	181.62
Aramark Correctional Services	Meals, County Jail	14,414.77
AS Central Finance	Telephone Services, Planning and Zoning	42.42
AS Central Finance	Telephone Services, County Sheriff	262.29
AS Central Finance	Telephone Services, County Jail	441.71
AS Central Finance	Telephone Services, Veterans' Service Office	48.49
Charles Balsiger	Legal Services, County Court	299.55

BI Inc.	Monitoring Services, Juvenile Diversion	489.06
Black Hills Energy	Gas Service, Planning and Zoning	26.39
Black Hills Energy	Gas Service, Veterans' Service Office	31.18
Bomgaars	Supplies, County Sheriff	81.12
Bessie Bove	Prior Service Benefits	12.00
Brogan & Gray, P.C., L.L.O.	Legal Services, County Court	1,224.75
Brogan & Stafford, P.C.	Legal Services, County Court	5,347.31
Cableone	Internet Services, Public Defender	125.95
Cableone	Internet Services, Planning and Zoning	59.00
Carney Law, P.C.	Legal Services, County Court	607.50
Cash-Wa Distributing Company	Supplies, Courthouse	138.20
Central Restaurant Products	Supplies, County Jail	414.82
Central United Life Insurance Company	Insurance Premiums	37.20
Champs Inc.	Maintenance Agreement, County Jail	2,166.00
Maria Izabel Chavez	Witness Fees, County Court	36.00
City of Madison	Utilities, Courthouse	2,240.71
City of Madison	Utilities, County Jail	248.63
City of Norfolk	Utilities, Veterans' Service Office	31.07
Colonial Life and Accident Insurance	Insurance Premiums	154.67
Complete Pest Elimination Inc.	Services, County Jail	125.00
Connecting Point	Internet Services, Public Defender	822.00
Connecting Point	Equipment, County Jail	958.00
Connecting Point	Internet Services, Contract Services, Courthouse	1,322.85
Gail Consoli	Witness Fees, County Court	36.00
Constellation Energy	Gas Service, Planning and Zoning	31.28
Constellation Energy	Gas Service, Veterans' Service Office	41.70
Copple, Rockey, McKeever & Schlecht, P.C., L.L.O.	Legal Services, County Court	1,774.87
Credit Bureau Services	Garnish of Wages	131.41
Eakes Office Plus	Supplies, County Treasurer	68.41
Eakes Office Plus	Supplies, Furniture, Public Defender	2,239.81
Eakes Office Plus	Supplies, County Jail	79.90
Eakes Office Plus	Furniture, Probation	575.00
Egley, Fullner, Montag & Hockabout	Legal Services, County Court	493.10
Election Systems & Software Inc.	Programming, Election Commissioner	6,586.70
Enviromaster Inc.	Supplies, County Jail	42.00
Fastenal Company	Supplies, County Jail	26.74
FBINAA Nebraska Chapter	Dues, County Sheriff	180.00
Field's Hardware	Supplies, Public Defender	34.77
Field's Hardware	Supplies, Courthouse	67.79
Field's Hardware	Supplies, Juvenile Diversion	23.99
Field's Hardware	Supplies, County Jail	151.44
First Concord Benefits Group	Deductible Buy-Down, Administrative Fees	3,805.43
Floor Maintenance & Paper Supply Company	Supplies, County Jail	412.89
Frontier	Telephone Services, Public Defender	320.03
Frontier	Telephone Services, Courthouse	1,305.46
Gall's Inc.	Uniforms, County Jail	78.70
Gillette Printing	Supplies, County Sheriff	168.00
Glass Edge, Inc.	Repairs, County Jail	999.00
Graham Tire Company	Repairs, County Sheriff	525.96
Kayla Grone	Services, Probation	100.00
Hartford Life Insurance Company	Deferred Compensation	25.00
Joyce Hasselbalch	Transcript, Law Enforcement	1,934.00
Matthew Headley	Postage, Public Defender	93.70
Jeffrey Hrouda	Legal Services, County Court	483.70
IHC/Group Link	Insurance Premiums	542.12
Jack's Uniforms & Equipment	Uniforms, County Jail	228.78
Kelly Supply Company	Repairs, County Jail	23.60
Kay Knapp	Mileage, County Extension	18.00
Kooi Communications, Inc.	Equipment, Public Defender	244.55
David Kwaw-Mensah	Mileage, Lodging, County Extension	100.22
Madison County Clerk	Tax Deposit	39,543.87
Madison County Clerk of District Court	Fees, District Court	1,125.00
Madison County Sheriff	Fees, County Court	1,436.54
Madison County Sheriff	Court Costs, District Court	1,184.43
Madison County Sheriff	Fees, Mental Health	6.00
Madison County Sheriff	Uniforms, County Jail	152.00
Madison County Veterans' Service Office	Veterans Aid	2,000.00
Madison National Life	Insurance Premiums	118.45
Microfilm Imaging Systems Inc.	Equipment Rental, County Clerk	45.00
Midwest Office Automations	Equipment Lease, Probation	77.00
Midwest Plumbing & Heating	Supplies, County Jail	188.15
MIPS Inc.	Computer Support, Supplies, County Clerk	581.13
MIPS Inc.	Computer Support, County Treasurer	993.00
Cecelia Morales	Witness Fees, County Court	36.00
Moyer & Moyer	Legal Services, County Court	1,292.30
Nationwide Retirement Solutions	Deferred Compensation	395.00
Nebraska Association of County Officials	Insurance Premiums	395.74

Nebraska Child Support Payment Center	Garnish of Wages	505.84
NMG LLC	Medical Services, County Jail	826.76
Norfolk Cleaning Service	Services, Probation	140.00
Norfolk Daily News	Publication Costs, County Extension	5.14
Norfolk Screen Printers	Uniforms, County Sheriff	492.95
Northeast Community College	Lease, Operating Costs, County Extension	3,751.22
Northeast Research & Extension Center	Telephone Service, Dues, Postage, County Extension	947.27
Valorie Olson	Court Reporting, Mental Health	50.00
Sherry Peterson	Mileage, Juvenile Diversion	565.99
Phillips 66	Fuel, County Sheriff	121.90
Sarah Polacek	Mileage, Meals, Lodging, Registration, County Extension	526.95
Qwest	Telephone Service, District Judge	150.60
Qwest	Telephone Service, Probation	144.59
Judy Schroeder	Prior Service Benefits	11.00
Secretary of State	Supplies, Election Commissioner	25.00
Share Corporation	Supplies, Courthouse	855.66
Shell Fleet Plus	Fuel, Planning and Zoning	355.14
Lee Sherry	Mileage, Meals, Lodging, Supplies, County Extension	355.53
Shopko	Supplies, Planning and Zoning	38.26
State of Nebraska AS Central Services	Telephone Services, County Sheriff	32.00
Stratton, DeLay & Doele, P.C.	Legal Services, County Court	572.00
Stratton, DeLay & Doele, P.C.	Legal Services, District Court	10,993.44
Michelle Sullivan	Mileage, Juvenile Diversion	168.00
T.O. Haas Tire	Repairs, County Sheriff	705.21
Dale Taylor	Interpreting Services, Public Defender	708.80
Tiburon Financial	Garnish of Wages	219.80
US Cellular	Telephone Service, Law Enforcement	110.40
U.S. Bank Corporate Payment System	Repairs, County Sheriff	7.00
Verizon Wireless	Telephone Services, County Extension	91.47
Verizon Wireless	Telephone Services, County Sheriff	1,983.47
Walmart Community	Supplies, County Attorney	19.76
West Payment Center	Publications, Public Defender	190.50
Western Office Plus	Copier Maintenance, Supplies, County Clerk	764.69
Western Office Plus	Supplies, District Court	97.99
Western Office Plus	Supplies, County Sheriff	33.52
Zee Medical Service	Supplies, County Sheriff	25.95

ROAD/BRIDGE FUND

Total Net Payroll		26,946.02
American Family Life Assurance Company	Insurance Premiums	445.87
Ameritas Life Insurance Corporation	Employees Share Retirement	1,653.92
Ameritas Life Insurance Corporation	Employers Share Retirement	2,480.93
Ameritas Life Insurance Corporation	Insurance Premiums	92.20
AS Central Services	Telephone Services, District #2	23.75
B's Enterprises Inc.	Culverts, Signs, District #2	2,174.40
Bankfirst	Parts, District #3	39.60
Battle Creek Farmers Coop	Fuel, District, #1, #2, #3	7,074.73
Battle Creek Municipal Light and Power	Utilities, District #3	157.75
Bauer Built Inc.	Repairs, District #2, #3	11,870.06
Black Hills Energy	Gas Service, District #2, #3	94.79
Capital One	Garnish of Wages	248.69
Carhart Lumber Company	Supplies, District #3	49.98
City of Madison	Utilities, District #1	426.86
City of Newman Grove	Utilities, District #1	50.00
Colonial Life and Accident Insurance	Insurance Premiums	121.80
Constellation Newenergy Gas Division	Gas Service, District #1, #2, #3	209.20
Dinkel Implement Company	Equipment Rental, Parts, District #1, #2	801.95
Eastern Nebraska Telephone	Telephone Services, District #3	88.29
Eisenmann Supplies Inc.	Shop Supplies, District #1	101.73
Field's Hardware	Parts, District #1	18.63
Filter Care of Nebraska	Services, District #1	37.70
First Concord Benefits Group	Administrative Fees, Deductible Buy-Down	566.53
Frontier	Telephone Services, District #1, #3	201.56
Green Line Equipment	Repairs, District #3	146.62
Hegemann Sunflower Sales & Service	Parts, District #1	207.18
IHC/Group Link	Insurance Premiums	15.21
John Deere Credit	Equipment Rental, District #2	1,500.93
Johnson Engineering Company	Engineering Services, District #1, #2, #3	3,880.00
Kayton International Inc.	Parts, District #2	22.20
Kelly Supply Company	Parts, District #3	198.24
Kimball Midwest	Shop Supplies, District #1	63.23
Linweld Inc.	Supplies, District #1, #2, #3	336.83
Madison County Clerk	Tax Deposit	9,067.37
Madison National Life	Insurance Premiums	37.72
Matteo Sand & Gravel Company Inc.	Gravel, District #1, #3	8,063.03
Menards	Shop Supplies, District #1, #3	39.68

NAPA Auto Parts of Norfolk	Parts, District #1, #2, #3	177.52
Nebraska Child Support Payment Center	Garnish of Wages	419.70
Nebraska Public Power District	Utilities, District #3	112.31
NMC Exchange LLC	Repairs, District #1, #2, #3	7,320.59
Norfolk Auto Supply	Parts, District #3	279.96
Northeast Glass	Parts, District #3	501.98
Powerplan	Parts, District #2	52.70
Prime Sanitation	Garbage Service, District #2	53.75
Quick Serve Oil Company Inc.	Fuel, Repairs, District #3	247.88
Radio.comm	Services, District #1	19.95
Red Bud Hardware Inc.	Shop Supplies, District #3	96.51
Scheer's Ace Hardware	Shop Supplies, District #2	23.10
Sonlite Express Inc.	Salt, District #2	683.00
Telebeep Wireless	Internet Services, Pager Services, District #1, #2	141.96
Transamerica Life Insurance Company	Insurance Premiums	49.28
Truck Center of Norfolk	Repairs, District #1, #3	866.48
US Cellullar	Telephone Services, District #1, #2, #3	257.22
Weldon Industries Inc.	Parts, District #3	8.84
Western Office Plus	Supplies, District #2	259.00
White Star Oil Company	Fuel, District #1	393.17

FEDERAL AID SECONDARY FUND

Elkhorn Paving Construction Company, Inc.	Contract Payment	164,833.46
Rutjens Construction Inc.	Bridge Repair	59,247.50

911 EMERGENCY FUND

Eastern Nebraska Telephone	Telephone Services	127.86
Frontier	Telephone Services	160.41
Qwest	Telephone Services	1,096.10

DRUG COURT FUND

On Call Employee Health	Testing	70.00
Putters	Supplies	21.00
Verizon Wireless	Telephone Service	60.87

Motion was made by Klein and seconded by Uhlir to approve the claims as audited and authorize the County Clerk to issue checks for payment of said claims. Roll call vote: Ayes, McCallum, Uhlir, and Klein. Nays, none. Motion carried.

The Board adjourned at 10:32 A.M. to Tuesday, December 21, 2010 at 9:30 A.M.

County Clerk

Chairman