



Dixon County Board Minutes



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DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

The Dixon County Board of Supervisors met on March 8, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. for an adjourned meeting in the Jury Room in the Dixon County Courthouse in Ponca, Nebraska. Chairman Lisa Lunz. opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and called for roll call of members present. Answering were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Nicholson, Peterson & Anderson. Also present were Cindy Purucker, Dixon County Clerk and Secretary to the Board of Supervisors and other interested persons. Chairman Lunz gave notice to the public of the location of the posted Open Meetings Law.

Motion was made by Andersen, seconded by Mackling to show that this meeting was preceded by due and legal notice by posting as required by law in the Bank of Dixon County, bulletin board in the lower hall of the courthouse, bulletin board in the County Clerk's office and two County newspapers, and all Board Members were notified simultaneously and the agenda of all know business to come before the Board of Supervisors was posted in the office of the County Clerk. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Nicholson, Peterson & Anderson.

Motion was made by Blohm, seconded by Andersen to approve the minutes of the last meeting as written. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Nicholson, Peterson & Anderson.

The County will not advertise for gravel bids this year. There are other counties that do not bid out gravel and as we reject all bids the process seems redundant.

Supervisor Peterson joined the meeting at 9:10 A.M.

Dixon County Engineer Brian McDonald and Arnold Mellick, Dixon County Highway Supt. were present to discuss ongoing road and bridge projects. Brian McDonald reported that the Emerson North FHW bridge will be let on April 7th. A&R Construction is ready to move in on the Wakefield West (Echtenkamp) project ahead of schedule. The Emerson NW (Forinash) and Martinsburg East (Mellick) projects are ready to advertise for bids. He advised the Board to direct the County Clerk to advertise for bids and open them at the April meeting.

Motion was made by Blohm to direct the County Clerk to advertise for bids on the Emerson NW project, seconded by Peterson. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Roger Peterson and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Nicholson & Anderson.

Motion was made by Peterson to direct the County Clerk to advertise for bids on the Martinsburg East (Mellick) project, seconded by Mackling. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Roger Peterson and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Nicholson & Anderson.

Shea Scollard, Emergency Manager, stated that a little over \$350,000.00 of the FEMA monies from the Bengsten bridge have been earmarked. The first three projects have been approved and ready for the Scope of Work. The deadline to use the funds is March 2023.

Allan Bauman with the Dixon County Fair Board updated the Board on changes with the fair. The Dixon County Fair will be held from July 7th through the 10th. There will be a carnival. The BBQ will be on Sunday, July 10th from 11:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. Two additional members have been added to the Fair Board for a total of 13.

The Dixon County Ag Society (Fair Board) report was not received.

Terry Nicholson joined the meeting at 9:55 A.M.

Roger Peterson left the meeting at 9:55 A.M.

Shea Scollard, Emergency Manager, said that the updated road map will be sent to Brian McDonald with the changes. He stated that the LEOP revision is on hold. He is completing the FEMA paperwork for the Newcastle warning siren. Waterbury is interested in a warning siren also. He has been having communication

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problems setting up the grain bin safety training with CVA. They are hoping for a March 23rd training in Wakefield and April 6th training in Allen. He and Sara Kumm, 911 Coordinator, are updating the Emergency Action Plan for the courthouse. It is a little more detailed than the present plan. They will present it at the officials meeting on Friday and then present it to the Board for approval at the April meeting. Bird flu has returned to Nebraska. So far, the only cases are in Lancaster County.

Sara stated that the OCIO is hooking up the network for the Statewide Radio System and Motorola will install the equipment in dispatch. NextGen911 will be installed in August. COVID numbers are down. COVID test kits have arrived and are available free to the public. Someone that is interested in the kits need to contact Shea or Sara.

The County discussed distribution of ARPA funds. Procedures will be discussed at the April meeting.

Supervisor Peterson returned to the meeting at 10:20 A.M.

Discussion was had on the Nebraska Regional 911 Interlocal Agreement. Motion was made to sign the Nebraska Regional 911 Interlocal Agreement and Resolution by Blohm, seconded by Mackling. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Roger Peterson, Terry Nicholson and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Anderson. **Resolution & Ordinance Book 3, Page 187.**

Sara informed the Board that dispatchers have to be certified now. They are going to be doing training.

The Board recessed to meet as Board of Equalization and reconvened with all members present except Anderson.

A motion was made by Andersen to sign the mowing agreement with Gary Way for harvesting the grass for hay surrounding the emergency management building. Seconded by Peterson. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Roger Peterson, Terry Nicholson and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Anderson.

Surveys were returned regarding the Cash-In-Lieu for health insurance. The Board will have to decide if we want to offer Cash-In-Lieu to the county employees.

Motion was made by Blohm to accept the agreements with Midwest Engineering, Inc. for routine bridge inspections and fracture critical bridge inspections, seconded by Mackling. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Roger Peterson, Terry Nicholson and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Anderson. Motion was made by Mackling to sign the engagement letter with Woods & Aitken for sheriff union negotiations, seconded by Blohm. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Roger Peterson, Terry Nicholson and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Anderson. Motion was made by Blohm to allow the Sheriff's Office to dispose of non-functioning inventory, seconded by Peterson. A list is kept on file at the County Clerk's Office. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Roger Peterson, Terry Nicholson and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Anderson.

The County Treasurer's Tax Sale Report was reviewed.

Correspondence was reviewed.

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:00 P.M.

The Board reconvened at 1:00 P.M. with all members present except Anderson.

County Attorney, Leland Miner was present to discuss legal concerns of the Board.

The County Treasurer was ordered to take the 2019 Certificates of Tax Sale to the County Attorney for foreclosure on a motion by Peterson and second by Andersen. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Roger Peterson, Terry Nicholson and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Anderson.

On a motion by Mackling and second by Blohm it was moved to order the County Attorney to foreclose on 2019 Certificates of Tax Sale. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion



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were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Roger Peterson, Terry Nicholson and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Anderson.

Motion was made by Blohm and seconded by Andersen to order the Treasurer to issue Tax Sale Certificates. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Roger Peterson, Terry Nicholson and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Anderson.

The Board reviewed the Treasurer’s List of Delinquent Real Estate Taxes which remain unsold for want of bidders.

Plans were discussed for the courthouse open house on March 17th. The Board will meet at 5:00 P.M. in the courtroom to open the meeting and then proceed with the open house.

Iris Dutton, Secretary of the Northeast Nebr. RC&D gave the Board an update on the projects offered through the RC&D. She has concerns about keeping volunteers for the RC&D since COVID. RC&D applies for grants for the weed management program and the hazardous waste grant from the Nebraska Environmental Trust. Iris informed the Board that she is going to resign as of May 1st. She also recommended that we wait to appoint anyone to the RC&D for the next term.

The Board tabled the appointment of Peggy Gregg to RC&D until a later date.

The County Official’s Fee Reports and Treasurer’s List of Pledged Securities were approved on a motion by Blohm and second by Peterson. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Roger Peterson, Terry Nicholson and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Anderson.

Payroll Clerk, Cathy Stilwell, presented information on the accrual of vacation & sick time.

Supervisor Peterson made a motion that road new hires will be given 40 hours PTO after 90 days to be used before their anniversary date. Vacation and sick time will be awarded on their anniversary dates, seconded by Blohm. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Roger Peterson, Terry Nicholson and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Anderson. Long standing road employees will continue to receive their vacation & sick time in January as in previous years.

The following claims were presented by the Claims Committee:

CO-Capital Outlay, ER-Equipment Rental, INS-Insurance, EL-Election, LS-Legal Services, MA-Materials, MI-Miscellaneous, OE-Operating Expenses, PY-Prior Years Service, RE-Reimbursement, RP-Repairs, SU-Supplies, TT-Tax Transfer, TS-Technology Services, VS-Vendor Services

GENERAL FUND

<i>Courthouse empl.,supv. & coord.</i>	<i>Salaries</i>		\$141,975.21
Angela Abts	RE	\$	18.14
Applied Connective Technologies	VS	\$	2,122.25
Art Kathol Appliance, Inc	VS	\$	365.57
Bank Of Dixon County	MI	\$	40.00
Bank Of Dixon County	MI	\$	4.50
Bank Of Dixon County	OE/MI	\$	1,169.24
Bostwick Auto & Equipment Inc.,	RP	\$	20.00
Burt County Court	MI	\$	1.75
Chase Pest Services	VS	\$	35.00
Duane Dean Chase	PY	\$	16.00

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Control Installations Of Iowa Adg	VS	\$ 6,435.00
Virginia Cook	OE	\$ 25.59
Counsel	VS	\$ 29.99
Counsel	VS	\$ 236.99
Cubby's Corporate Office	OE	\$ 2,722.07
Dakota County Correctional Facility	OE	\$ 55.00
Dakota County Star	VS	\$ 39.00
DAS State Acctg - Central Finance	TS	\$ 65.00
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DAS State Acctg - Central Finance	TS	\$ 448.00
DAS State Acctg - Central Finance	TS	\$ 30.88
Dixon County Sheriff's Office	MI	\$ 212.00
Audrey Dohma	PY	\$ 16.00
Eakes Office Plus	OE/SU	\$ 937.93
Monica Ebmeier	OE	\$ 9.90
Egley,Fullner,Montag, Hockabout Aal	LS	\$ 8,267.49
Kathy Eifert	PY	\$ 18.00
Fitzgerald, Vetter & Temple	LS	\$ 1,003.46
Gill Hauling Inc	VS	\$ 122.80
Great Plains Comm Inc	OE	\$ 1,103.66
Group Resources of Iowa, LLC	INS	\$ 2,285.76
Guardian RFID	SU	\$ 2,815.00
The Home Depot Pro	SU	\$ 294.44
Jorgensen Law Office	LS	\$ 2,920.66
K & K Catering	VS	\$ 3,117.00
Keller Pharmacy	OE	\$ 18.58
Lisa Lunz	RE	\$ 305.37
M C I	OE	\$ 108.36
M I P S, Inc	VS	\$ 2,601.82
Alan Mackling	RE	\$ 150.00
Donald L. Mackling	PY	\$ 16.00
Dan McCabe	PY	\$ 25.00
Mitiku Mamo	RE	\$ 266.18
N A C O	MI	\$ 180.00
NE Neb Tire and Trailer Sales, Inc.	RP	\$ 29.00
Nebraska Assoc Of County Treasurers	MI	\$ 50.00
Nebraska Health & Human Services	LS	\$ 93.00
Nebraska Journal Leader	VS	\$ 876.13
NENA: the 911 Association	VS	\$ 624.31
Northeast Nebr Telephone Co	OE	\$ 45.55
Northeast Power	OE	\$ 1,711.56
ONE Office Solution	SU/MI	\$ 1,082.76
Penas Tires	RP/VS	\$ 1,424.00
Pender Community Hospital	OE	\$ 602.00

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Roger Peterson	RE	\$ 447.42
Paul Pfister	PY	\$ 11.00
Ponca Public Utilities	OE	\$ 634.05
Postmaster Of Ponca	OE	\$ 143.20
Postmaster Of Ponca	OE	\$ 4,350.00
R & D Catering	VS	\$ 214.50
Larry Schulte	PY	\$ 23.08
Shea Scollard	OE	\$ 75.00
Security Shredding Services	VS	\$ 70.00
Share Corporation	SU	\$ 431.93
Sioux Sales Company	OE	\$ 231.75
Staples Credit Plan	VS	\$ 151.92
Staples Credit Plan	SU	\$ 235.88
Stratton,Delay,Doele,Carlsn,Buettnr	LS	\$ 7,903.24
The Apothecary Shop	OE	\$ 65.00
Thomson Reuters-West	LS	\$ 1,748.06
Thomson-Reuters-West	LS	\$ 419.00
University Of Nebr Lincoln/Extensn	OE	\$ 225.00
University Of Nebraska - Lincoln	OE	\$ 541.67
University Of Nebraska-Lincoln	OE	\$ 90.14
Verizon Wireless	OE	\$ 80.02
Verizon Wireless	OE	\$ 405.76
VISA	MI/RP	\$ 345.56
Wakefield City Clerk	VS	\$ 500.81
Wayne Herald/Morning Shopper	VS	\$ 48.00
Scott Webb	RE	\$ 6.42
Robert Wendte	PY	\$ 18.00

ROAD FUND

Road Employees	Salaries	\$ 32,788.48
Axles & Gears, Inc. DBA C & H Truck Pts	RP	\$ 250.00
B's Enterprises, Inc	OE	\$ 648.00
Bank Of Dixon County	CO	\$ 3,438.76
Brad's Plumbing	VS	\$ 300.00
Countryside Gas & Grocery	OE	\$ 1,980.33
Ekberg Auto Parts	RP	\$ 38.76
Emme Sand & Gravel, Inc	OE	\$ 3,485.26
Zach Harder	RE	\$ 75.00
J E O Consulting Group Inc	VS	\$ 9,827.50
Jerry's Service, Inc	OE	\$ 2,670.28
Koletzky Implement, Inc	RP	\$ 1,570.00
Linde Gas & Equipment Inc.	RP	\$ 50.33
Marrons Convenience & Service	OE	\$ 785.12
Midwest Engineering, Inc	VS	\$ 6,460.00

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Miller Building Supply	SU	\$ 11.98
N A C O	MI	\$ 30.00
NMC Exchange, LLC	RP	\$ 1,317.55
Nebraska Dept Of Motor Vehicles	OE	\$ 7.50
Northeast Nebr Telephone Co	OE	\$ 165.11
Northeast Power	OE	\$ 196.61
Ponca Cooperative, LLC	OE	\$ 85.42
Powerplan	VS	\$ 139.63
RDO Truck Centers	RP	\$ 39.33
Rod's Repair	RP	\$ 20.00
Running Supply Inc.,	SU	\$ 39.96
S & S Willers, Inc.	OE	\$ 9,490.29
Sturdevant's Auto Parts	SU	\$ 275.39
Wakefield City Clerk	OE	\$ 160.61
Wakefield Republican	VS	\$ 28.00
Warren Oil	OE	\$ 613.80

CHILD SUPPORT INCENTIVE FUND

<i>Child Support Employee</i>	<i>Salary</i>	\$ 780.00
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COUNTY VISITORS IMPROVEMENT

Better Ponca Foundation	OE	\$ 3,000.00
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INSURANCE FUND

Dixon County Health Ins	INS	\$ 81,449.12
Group Resources of Iowa, LLC	INS	\$ 25,277.29
Mercy Business Hlth Serv/Urgnt Care	VS	\$ 102.00

INHERITANCE TAX

Woods & Aitken, LLP	VS	\$ 64.00
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911 EMERG.MGMT FUND

<i>E-911 Employee</i>	<i>Salary</i>	\$ 3,813.33
Century Link Claims Center	OE	\$ 26.91
Centurylink	OE	\$ 3.37
Great Plains Comm Inc	OE	\$ 111.41
Group Resources of Iowa, LLC	INS	\$ 571.44
Northeast Nebr Telephone Co	OE	\$ 71.82
Northeast Power	OE	\$ 350.00
VISA	MI	\$ 125.37

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911 WIRELESS SERVICE FUND

Century Link Claims Center	OE	\$ 65.89
Centurylink	OE	\$ 8.26
Great Plains Comm Inc	OE	\$ 272.77
NENA	MI	\$ 1,528.49
Northeast Nebr Telephone Co	OE	\$ 175.83

911 WIRELESS HOLDING FUND

Geo Comm, Inc	VS	\$ 14,344.00
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NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND

Noxious Weed Employees

	Salaries	\$ 7,264.80
Farmer's Pride Cooperative	OE	\$ 599.84
Nebraska Weed Control Association	MI	\$ 165.00
Northeast Nebr Telephone Co	OE	\$ 92.72
Northeast Power	OE	\$ 122.94
U.S. Cellular	OE	\$ 104.20

General Fund

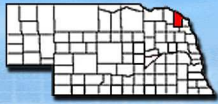
AFLAC	\$ 640.46
Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct	\$ 35,800.39
Dixon County Insurance Fund #1275	\$ 43.00
First Concord Benefits Group	\$ 818.33
Legalshield	\$ 152.55
Nationwide Retirement Solutions	\$ 985.00
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	\$ 15,867.81
Retirement Plans Service Center	\$ 180.00
Washington National Ins Co.	\$ 15.17

Road Fund

AFLAC	\$ 218.74
Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct	\$ 7,446.17
Dixon County Insurance Fund #1275	\$ 10.00
Liberty National	\$ 10.00
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	\$ 3,556.93
Washington National Ins Co.	\$ 35.95

0985 CHILD SUPPORT FUND

Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct	\$ 198.99
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	\$ 87.75



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2910 E011 Emergency Management Fund

AFLAC	\$	147.68
Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct	\$	939.64
Dixon County Insurance Fund #1275	\$	1.00
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	\$	429.00
Mass Mutual Retirement	\$	25.00

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND

Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct	\$	2,140.48
Dixon County Insurance Fund #1275	\$	2.00
Nebraska Child Support	\$	475.76
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	\$	803.79

Motion was made by Andersen, seconded by Mackling to allow all claims for payment. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Roger Peterson, Terry Nicholson and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Anderson.

There were no committee reports.

Supervisor Blohm stated that the tornado shelters are going to be installed at the road shops as soon as the frost is out.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion was made by Andersen, seconded by Blohm to adjourn. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Roger Peterson, Terry Nicholson and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Anderson. The Board adjourned at 2:25 P.M.

ATTEST: CINDY PURUCKER
DIXON COUNTY CLERK

LISA LUNZ, CHAIR
DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS

The Dixon County Board of Equalization met on March 8, 2022 at 11:00 A.M. for an adjourned meeting in the Jury Room in the Dixon County Courthouse in Ponca, Nebraska. Chair Lisa Lunz called for roll call of members present. Answering were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Anderson. Also present were Cindy Purucker, Dixon County Clerk and Secretary to the Board and Becky Bentz with the Dixon County Assessor' office. Chair Lunz gave notice to the public of the location of the posted Open Meetings Law.

Motion was made by Andersen, seconded by Peterson to show by the records that this meeting was preceded by due and legal notice by posting as required by law in the Bank of Dixon County, bulletin board in the lower hall of the courthouse, bulletin board in the County Clerk's office and two County newspapers, and all Board Members were notified simultaneously and the agenda of all know business to come before the Board of Equalization was posted in the office of the County Clerk. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting

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in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Roger Peterson, Terry Nicholson and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Anderson.

Motion was made by Nicholson, seconded by Mackling to approve the minutes of the last meeting as written. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Roger Peterson, Terry Nicholson and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Anderson.

There was one (1) Tax list correction. Motion to approve the correction was made by Peterson and seconded by Nicholson. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Roger Peterson, Terry Nicholson and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Anderson.

Becky presented a Homestead Exemption for denial on the basis a person has to occupy the home to be eligible for the exemption. Motion was made by Peterson to deny the Homestead Exemption, seconded by Blohm. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Roger Peterson, Terry Nicholson and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Anderson.

There being no further business, the Board reconvened as Board of Supervisors.

ATTEST: CINDY PURUCKER
DIXON COUNTY CLERK

LISA LUNZ, CHAIR
DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION