

**DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS**

The Dixon County Board of Supervisors met on August 13, 2024, at 9:00 A.M. for an adjourned meeting at the Dixon County Annex Building in Ponca, Nebraska. Chair Lisa Lunz opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and called for roll call of members present. Answering was: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Steve Hassler. Also present were Cathy Stilwell, Dixon County Clerk and Secretary to the Board of Supervisors and other interested persons. Chair Lunz gave notice to the public of the location of the posted Open Meetings Law.

Motion was made by Nicholson, seconded by Blohm 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 known 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, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Hassler.

Motion was made by Anderson, seconded by Blohm, to approve the minutes of the July 9<sup>th</sup> and July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024, meetings as written. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Supervisors voting against: None. Absent: Hassler.

Dixon County Road Supt., Arnold Mellick and Engineer, Brian McDonald were present to discuss ongoing road and bridge projects and issues.

At 9:20 A.M. Steve Hassler joined the meeting.

Motion by Hassler to award Oban Construction Inc. for the 861 & 588 Roads improvement plan and accept Wakefield RNG, LLC agreement. With condition of delayed start due to the Dairy hauling silage. Seconded by Blohm. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

Motion to prepare change order to accept alternate bid to Theisen Construction Inc. to the Ponca West Project for \$86,167.45 was made by Peterson and seconded by Blohm. On roll call yes votes: Andersen, Blohm, Nicholson, Hassler, Peterson, Lunz. No vote: Anderson Absent: None.

Motion by Peterson and seconded by Anderson to sign the Ponca West Project, Notice of Award, Notice of Proceed Agreements and Purchasing Agent Appointment forms at base bid of \$685,629.15. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

Reviewed and signed Nebraska Department of Transportation NFC map. Motion by Blohm, seconded by Hassler. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None. At 9:30 A.M. The hearing for considering closure of a portion of 580 Avenue in Clark Township took place. The hearing ended at 9:32 A.M.

A motion by Nicholson to adopt a resolution to offer the portion of 580 Avenue to Clark Township, seconded by Hassler. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

Motion to order the County Clerk to advertise for bids on Bridge C002621935, Newcastle Bridge south of Hwy 12. The channel needs to be shifted back to the center. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Blohm. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen,

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Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

Discussion of the 1&6 Year Road Improvement plan for 2024-2025 took place.

Shea updated the board on the responsibilities, projects and qualification of an Emergency Manager. Also gave updates on other projects he has been working on.

Sara is working with Applied Connective grants and cyber security. They had a very successful National Night Out. The new cameras in and around the courthouse are working great, they can get video in half the time compared to in the past.

Discussion to participate in the Department of Natural Resources flood plan took place. If the County does not partake, they will not be able to receive federal funds in the future. Packets will be made available at the Assessor's office. All permits will go through the Board of Supervisors for approval. Motion to approve and sign resolution by Hassler and seconded by Peterson. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None. Motion by Anderson to sign Letter of Engagement for Budget Preparations with J13 Enterprises LLC. Seconded by Blohm. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None. Motion to set date for budget hearing for September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 2:00 P.M. was made by Nicholson and seconded by Blohm. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

Directly after the budget hearing on September 10, 2024, will be the hearing to set a tax request at a different amount than last year, on a motion by Andersen and second by Blohm. On roll call vote Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

At 11:00 A.M. the County Board recessed to convene as the Board of Equalization.

The Board reconvened as the Board of Supervisors at 11:05 A.M.

After discussion and review a motion made by Peterson to sign the Maximus FY 24-25 contract. Seconded by Blohm. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

At 12:00 the Board recessed for lunch, returning at 1:00 P.M. with all members present.

There we no public comments.

A second notice will be published in the paper for landowners to mow their roads in compliance with the state statutes.

County Attorney, Leland Miner was unable to attend the meeting.

Angela Abts and Amy Topp attended the board meeting and invited the Board members to visit the Haskell Ag Lab and talked about upcoming events. After discussion a motion was made by Nicholson to sign the revised Interlocal Lease Agreement with The Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska for the Extension Office. Seconded by Hassler. On roll call vote, Yes votes: Blohm, Nicholson, Hassler, Peterson, Andersen and Lunz. No vote: Anderson.

Discussion regarding the Underground Utility Policy was tabled until September.

Discussion of Group Resources Insurance Company took Place.

Motion by Nicholson and seconded by Peterson to approve the Interlocal Services & Cooperation for the Veterans Services pay increase with Dakota County. On roll call vote Motion carried. Supervisors

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

At 1:15 P.M. Heidi Borg, the Agriculture Liaison from Congressman Adrian Smith’s office provided the board with updates on Bills and Laws being passed and discussed.

2:00 Nelson Construction was unable to attend and will be rescheduled.

Motion by Nicholson to Approve and sign 2024-2025 inventories. Seconded by Blohm. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

After reviewing a motion by Blohm and seconded by Peterson to sign the Veterans Service 1<sup>st</sup> Half (Jan-June) 2024 Report. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

Motion by Blohm and seconded by Peterson to app

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

The following claims were presented by the Claims Committee:

**CO-Capital Outlay, ER-Equipment Rental, INS-Insurance, EL-Election, K9-Canine, 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. &amp; coord.</i>	<i>Salaries</i>	
		\$ 180,561.71
ANGELA ABTS	RE	\$ 124.78
MARK D. ALBIN	LS	\$ 1,661.80
APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECHNOLOGIES	TS	\$ 4,396.70
ART KATHOL APPLIANCE, INC	VS	\$ 1,594.51
AT-SCENE LLC	TS	\$ 4,305.00
BANK OF DIXON COUNTY	OE	\$ 268.31
BANK OF DIXON COUNTY	OE	\$ 148.53
BANK OF DIXON COUNTY	OE	\$ 720.12
GALYEN BOETTCHENER BAIER PC, LLO	LS	\$ 1,623.57
BOTACH	MI	\$ 1,858.00
DUANE DEAN CHASE	PY	\$ 16.00
CUBBY'S CORPORATE OFFICE	OE	\$ 3,076.53
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRALFINANCE	TS	\$ 230.00
DAS STATE ACCTG-CENTRAL FINANCE	TS	\$ 751.60
DAS STATE ACCOUNTING-CENTRALFINANCE	TS	\$ 150.00
DIXON COUNTY CLK DIST CT	OE	\$ 252.00
DIXON COUNTY COURT	OE	\$ 216.00
DIXON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	OE	\$ 163.97

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DOC JAY'S AUTO REPAIR	VS	\$ 98.82
DODGE COUNTY	OE	\$ 2,385.74
AUDREY DOHMA	PY	\$ 16.00
MONICA EBMEIER	RE	\$ 50.40
EGLEY,FULLNER,MONTAG, HOCKABOUT AAL	LS	\$ 223.25
KATHY EIFERT	PY	\$ 18.00
EKBERG AUTO REPAIR	RP	\$ 1,015.85
MELISSA GENSLER	RE	\$ 175.47
GILL HAULING INC	OE	\$ 258.87
GREAT PLAINS COMM INC	OE	\$ 1,692.01
GROUP RESOURCES OF IOWA, LLC	INS	\$ 3,022.65
SHERYL HANGMAN	PY	\$ 34.62
STEVEN HASSLER	RE	\$ 69.68
HOMETOWN LEASING	ER	\$ 292.66
HOMETOWN LEASING	ER	\$ 48.00
HUSKER AUTO GROUP, INC	RP	\$ 22,764.00
H20 4 U INC	VS	\$ 114.65
INDIANA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	LS	\$ 8.00
INNOCORP LTD	MI	\$ 3,651.00
JACK'S UNIFORMS & EQUIP	SU	\$ 105.85
JORGENSEN LAW OFFICE	LS	\$ 483.08
K & K CATERING	OE	\$ 2,413.50
CHASE KALLSEN	OE	\$ 9.98
KELLER PHARMACY	OE	\$ 132.97
KROHN CAR CARE LLC	RP	\$ 216.93
LAUREL ADVOCATE	VS	\$ 51.00
LISA LUNZ	RE	\$ 112.56
M I P S, INC	TS	\$ 2,897.72
ALAN MACKLING	PY	\$ 13.00
MENARDS-SIOUX CITY	SU	\$ 470.84
MIDWEST ALARM SERVICE	TS	\$ 343.80
LELAND K. MINER	RE	\$ 42.51
N A C O	OE	\$ 30.00
N D A A INSURANCE SERVICES OFFICE	INS	\$ 1,369.00
NE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT ASSOC.	OE	\$ 115.00
NEBRASKA DEPT OF REV,PROP ASSMT DIV	OE	\$ 75.00
NEBRASKA HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	OE	\$ 81.00
NEBRASKA JOURNAL LEADER	VS	\$ 307.11
NEBRASKA LAW ENFORCEMENT	OE	\$ 390.00
TERRY NICHOLSON	RE	\$ 100.50
NORTHEAST NEBR TELEPHONE CO	OE	\$ 46.70
NORTHEAST POWER	OE	\$ 1,978.69
ONE OFFICE SOLUTION	OE	\$ 593.33

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PAUL PFISTER	PY	\$ 11.00
PONCA PUBLIC UTILITIES	OE	\$ 203.45
PROVIDENCE MEDICAL CENTER	OE	\$ 189.00
SARAH ROBERTS	RE	\$ 50.00
KATIE SCOLLARD	VS	\$ 675.00
SHEA SCOLLARD	RE	\$ 75.00
SECURITY SHREDDING SERVICES	VS	\$ 80.00
SIOUXLAND COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER	OE	\$ 210.00
STRATTON,DELAY,DOELE,CARLSN,BUETTNR	LS	\$ 695.50
DALE TAYLOR, JR	PY	\$ 57.70
THE APOTHECARY SHOP	OE	\$ 23.93
THOMSON REUTERS-WEST	LS	\$ 4,407.46
THURSTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	OE	\$ 3,180.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	OE	\$ 445.89
VERIZON WIRELESS	OE	\$ 95.53
VERMILLION ACE HARDWARE	SU	\$ 95.53
VISA	SU	\$ 333.67
VISUAL EDGE IT, INC.,	TS	\$ 85.09
WAKEFIELD REPUBLICAN	VS	\$ 1,019.24
AMY WATCHORN	RE	\$ 110.55
ROBERT WENDTE	PY	\$ 18.00
WOODHOUSE FORD SIOUX CITY	RP	\$ 746.64

**ROAD FUND**

<b>Road Employees</b>	<b>Salaries</b>	<b>\$ 39,202.68</b>
BANK OF DIXON COUNTY	OE	\$ 4,273.39
BANK OF DIXON COUNTY	OE	\$ 32.20
BOMGAARS	OE	\$ 181.76
BUTCH'S PROPANE, INC	OE	\$ 8,859.28
C & R GRAVEL INC.,	OE	\$ 2,492.86
COUNTRYSIDE GAS & GROCERY	OE	\$ 6,950.35
EKBERG AUTO PARTS	SU	\$ 421.34
FASTWYRE BROADBAND	OE	\$ 156.00
GARY BACKHAUS GRAVEL LLC	OE	\$ 26,781.63
GROSSENBURG IMP	ER	\$ 4,695.72
J E O CONSULTING GROUP INC	VS	\$ 8,997.50
KNIFE RIVER - SOUTH DAKOTA	OE	\$ 331.95
L G EVERIST INC	OE	\$ 1,243.31
CARL & SHAWNA LAMB	ER	\$ 9,800.00
LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT INC.	OE	\$ 199.51
MARRONS CONVENIENCE & SERVICE	RP	\$ 26.00
MARX DUST CONTROL	VS	\$ 3,200.00
MARX TRAILER	RP	\$ 1,802.37
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	OE	\$ 300.00

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MILLER BUILDING SUPPLY	SU	\$ 66.78
MIPS/COUNTY SOLUTIONS	TS	\$ 32.04
NE NEB TIRE & TRAILER SALES INC	VS	\$ 2,352.00
PRESTON NELSON	RE	\$ 1,530.00
NORTHEAST POWER	OE	\$ 165.87
PONCA COOPERATIVE, LLC	OE	\$ 3,222.00
POWERPLAN	RP	\$ 1,968.37
RETRIEVER LLC	VS	\$ 525.00
RUNNING SUPPLY INC.,	MA	\$ 23.47
RUSH TRUCKING INC	OE	\$ 4,710.24
S & S EQUIPMENT, INC.	VS	\$ 3,882.72
KYLE STILWELL	RE	\$ 100.00
TRI COUNTY AGGREGATES	OE	\$ 21,636.72
VERMILLION ACE HARDWARE	SU	\$ 54.41
WAKEFIELD CITY CLERK	OE	\$ 154.46
WAKEFIELD REPUBLICAN	VS	\$ 99.91
WARREN OIL	OE	\$ 3,420.00
ZIEGLER INC	RP	\$ 457.62

**COUNTY VISITORS PROMO FUND**

DIXON COUNTY AG SOCIETY	OE	\$ 2,000.00
LITTLE RED HEN THEATRE	OE	\$ 3,016.45
WAKEFIELD REPUBLICAN	VS	\$ 6.00

**COUNTY VISITORS IMPOVEMENT FUND**

PONCA HISTORICAL SOCIETY	OE	\$ 4,421.18
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**INSURANCE FUND**

DIXON CO. HEALTH INS ACCT 5207621	INS	\$ 91,759.83
GROUP RESOURCES OF IOWA, LLC	INS	\$ 24,530.58
MERCY BUSINESS HLTH SERV/URGNT CARE	INS	\$ 108.16
U.S. TREASURY	INS	\$ 333.94

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DIXON COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE OFFIC	OE	\$ 1,500.00
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**CANINE (K-9) FUND**

WAYNE VETERINARY CLINIC	K9	\$ 110.99
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**INHERITANCE TAX FUND**

WOODS & AITKEN LLP	LS	\$ 245.00
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**E-911 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND**

<i>E-911 Employees</i>	<i>Salaries</i>	\$ 4,810.00
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BRIAN M. BLATCHFORD	OE	\$ 1,200.00
ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING COMPANY	TS	\$ 957.50
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GROUP RESOURCES OF IOWA, LLC	INS	\$ 674.21
H M E, INC	VS	\$ 49.00
SARA KUMM	OE	\$ 243.58
NORTHEAST POWER	OE	\$ 406.12
ONSOLVE, LLC	TS	\$ 5,671.26

**911 WIRELESS SERVICE HOLDING FUND**

GREAT PLAINS COMM INC	OE	\$ 384.18
CITY OF NORFOLK	OE	\$ 149.12
NORTHEAST NEBR TELEPHONE CO	OE	\$ 249.40
OPTK NETWORKS	TS	\$ 1,204.44

**COMMISSARY FUND**

BANK OF DIXON COUNTY	MI	\$ 188.97
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**NOXIOUS WEED FUND**

<b>Noxious Weed Employees</b>	<b>Salaries</b>	\$ 6,064.80
EKBERG AUTO PARTS	SU	\$ 32.99
FARMER'S PRIDE COOPERATIVE	OE	\$ 1,857.91
NORTHEAST NEBR TELEPHONE CO	OE	\$ 98.65
NORTHEAST POWER	OE	\$ 102.03
ROD'S REPAIR	RP	\$ 109.17
SHARE CORPORATION	VS	\$ 5,439.20
WARNE CHEMICAL & EQUIPMENT INC	SU	\$ 219.12

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

The budget was discussed.

Motion by Peterson to sign the Newcastle Township Road Maintenance Agreement, seconded by Andersen. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None. There was no new business to review regarding ARPA Fund Grant.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion was made by Peterson, seconded by Nicholson to adjourn. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

The Board adjourned at 2:20 P.M.

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**ATTEST: CATHY STILWELL  
DIXON COUNTY CLERK**

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**LISA LUNZ, CHAIR  
DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS**

The Dixon County Board of Equalization met on August 13, 2024, at 11:00 A.M. for an adjourned meeting at the Dixon County Annex Building in Ponca, Nebraska. Chair Lisa Lunz called for roll call of members present. Answering was: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Terry Nicholson, Steve Hassler, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Also present were Cathy Stilwell, Dixon County Clerk and Secretary to the Board and Amy Watchorn, Dixon County Assessor. Chair Lunz gave notice to the public of the location of the posted Open Meetings Law.

Motion was made by Hassler, seconded by Blohm 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 known 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 in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

Motion was made by Blohm, seconded by Hassler to approve the minutes of the July 9<sup>th</sup> & July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024, meetings as written. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Don Andersen, Neil Blohm, Steve Hassler, Terry Nicholson, Roger Peterson, Deric Anderson, and Lisa Lunz. Absent: None. Supervisors voting against: None.

The Board reviewed the cemetery report of ownership.

There were no Tax list correction or exemption applications.

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

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**ATTEST: CATHY STILWELL  
DIXON COUNTY CLERK**

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**LISA LUNZ, CHAIR  
DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**