

**Red Willow County Board Minutes** 

## BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING

July 19, 2017

The Red Willow County Board of Equalization met in the Commissioners' Room in the courthouse on July 19, 2017. A notice of the meetings was published in the McCook Gazette and posted on the County's website. The agenda was e-mailed to each commissioner and the news media, posted on the County's website, and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Downer called the Board of Equalization meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. in order to hear property valuation protest hearings with the following members present: Steve Downer, Earl McNutt and Jacque Riener, and County Assessor Sandra Kotschwar. Downer informed the public about the location of the posted Open Meetings Act.

Clerk Teel had notified by mail all property owners who had filed protests and encouraged them to attend their individual hearings. Hearings were held on 29 protests. The Board visited with each protester by phone or in person for approximately fifteen minutes per protest, and Assessor Kotschwar presented her information which substantiates the calculation of the protested value.

Chairman Downer thanked each protestor for attending the hearing and explained that the Board would make their decisions on the protests before July 25th and everyone would be notified by mail. Then, if someone did not agree with the decision, they could appeal it to the Tax Equalization and Review Commission (TERC) for a filing fee of \$25.00.

The protests are on file in the County Clerk's Office for public inspection.

Chairman Downer recessed the meeting at 12:00 noon for lunch.

Chairman Downer reconvened the Board of Equalization meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Chairman Downer adjourned the Board of Equalization meeting at 3:50 p.m. to July 24, 2017.

Steve Downer, Chairman, Board of Equalization

Attest: Tami Teel County Clerk