

**March 8, 2011 Minutes
Washington County Board of Equalization
Supervisor's Room Courthouse
Blair, Nebraska 68008**

The Washington County Board of Equalization of Washington County, Nebraska, met in regular session at 11:30 A.M. on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 in the Supervisor's Meeting Room at the Courthouse in Blair, Nebraska. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Pilot-Tribune. A copy of the proof of publication is on file in the Office of the County Clerk. Notice of the meeting was given to the members and a copy of their acknowledgment of the receipt of notice and the agenda are on record at the office of the County Clerk. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the members. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Chairman made note that the Open Meetings Law is posted on the door and the north wall. Present: Chairman, Mary Alice Johnson, County Board Members, Kent Clausen, Jerry Kruse, Jeff Quist, Steven Kruger, Ernest Abariotes and Ron Hinline. Also present, County Clerk Merry Truhlsen, Dep Co Atty Ed Talbot, County Assessor Steven Mencke and Deputy Assessor Jean Ray. It was moved by Kruger and seconded by Clausen to enter into Board of Equalization. Vote- Aye: Clausen, Kruse, Quist, Johnson, Kruger, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Kruse and second by Kruger that the rules be suspended and that the minutes of the February 22, 2011 meeting be approved but not read at this meeting for the reason that all Board Members were furnished a copy of said minutes prior to the meeting. Vote- Aye: Clausen, Kruse, Quist, Johnson, Kruger, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Mencke said the First United Methodist Church submitted an exemption application for BC Lot 10 & W 15' Lot 11 Blk 65 on February 28. The property is currently being prepared for and will be occupied by their new pastor. Prior to this application, the property was used as a rental property. First United is asking the Board to grant a waiver on this property so the Assessor may consider their application for exemption. The Board will hold a public hearing on March 22 and vote whether to exempt this property. Motion Abariotes second Clausen to grant a waiver to First United Methodist Church on BC Lot 10 & W15' Lot 11, Blk 65. Vote- Aye: Clausen, Kruse, Quist, Johnson, Kruger, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Abariotes and seconded by Hinline to approve Correction #6538 and #6539 as presented by the Assessor. Vote- Aye: Clausen, Kruse, Quist, Johnson, Kruger, Abariotes and Hinline. Nay: None. Motion carried.

At 11:40 A.M., there being no further business to come before the Board of Equalization at this time, it was moved by Hinline and second by Clausen to adjourn meeting until the next regular Board of Equalization meeting date, March 22, 2011. All members present voted aye, Chairperson declared meeting adjourned.

Attest:
Merry M. Truhlsen
Washington County Clerk

Mary Alice Johnson, Chairperson
Washington County Board of Equalization

I, Merry M. Truhlsen, County Clerk, in and for Washington County, Blair, Nebraska, do hereby certify that the foregoing proceedings took place during the Mar 8th meeting of the Washington County Board of Equalization
Merry M. Truhlsen, Washington County Clerk