

MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING, ROOM 112
TUESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2017
9:00 A.M.

Advance public notice of the Board of Commissioners meeting was posted on the County-City Building bulletin board and the Lancaster County, Nebraska, web site and emailed to the media on August 3, 2017.

Commissioners present: Todd Wiltgen, Chair; Bill Avery, Vice Chair; Roma Amundson, Jennifer Brinkman and Deb Schorr

Others present: Scott Gaines, Chief Administrative Deputy Assessor/Register of Deeds; Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer; Ann Ames, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; David Derbin, Deputy County Attorney; Dan Nolte, County Clerk; Cori Beattie, Deputy County Clerk; and Kelly Lundgren, County Clerk's Office

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. and the location of the Nebraska Open Meeting Act was announced.

1) MINUTES:

A. Approval of the minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting held on Tuesday, July 18, 2017.

MOTION: Avery moved and Schorr seconded approval of the minutes. Avery, Schorr, Amundson and Wiltgen voted yes. Brinkman abstained. Motion carried 4-0 with one abstention.

2) PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. Motor Vehicle Tax Exemption Applications (See correlating item 3)

Capital Humane Society	Eastridge Presbyterian Church
Capitol City Christian Church	Lincoln Baptist Church
Christ Lutheran Church	Lincoln Christian School
Christ United Methodist Church	Lincoln and Lancaster County Child Guidance Center
Community Action Partnership of Lancaster and Saunders Counties	North American Martyrs Church and School
Cornerstone Christian Church	St. Thomas Aquinas Church
CrossBridge Christian Church	Trinity United Methodist Church

The Chair opened the public hearing.

No one appeared in support, opposition or in a neutral position.

The Chair closed the public hearing.

The Board took action on item 3.

B. Notice of Proposed Change in Exemption Status (See correlating item 4)

- 1. Lincoln Church of Christ**
- 2. Methodist Church of Malcolm, Nebraska**

Scott Gaines, Chief Administrative Deputy Assessor/Register of Deeds, was administered the oath. He stated the properties were previously granted tax exemptions but have now been sold to taxable entities.

No one appeared in support, opposition or in a neutral position.

The Chair closed the public hearing.

3) ACTION ON MOTOR VEHICLE TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS

MOTION: Amundson moved and Avery seconded approval of the motor vehicle tax exemptions. Schorr, Amundson, Avery, Brinkman and Wiltgen voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

4) ACTION ON NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE IN EXEMPTION STATUS

MOTION: Schorr moved and Brinkman seconded approval of the changes in exemption status. Amundson, Avery, Brinkman, Schorr and Wiltgen voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

5) 2017 451 TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS ON REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY

Gaines said new applications are received between January 1 and July 1. He stated the properties were purchased by the applicant or converted to an exempt use during that time frame.

MOTION: Amundson moved and Avery seconded approval of the tax exemption applications. Amundson, Schorr, Brinkman, Avery and Wiltgen voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

6) 2017 LATE FILED HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS:

Terry & Ellen Cox	Debra Stanton
Rosanna Cappellano	George Weekly
Wanda Peery	My T Phan
Elaine Wolff	George Kingery
Robert Timmerman	Robert Fowler
Keith & Deldee Brown	Merlyn Lampshire
Elisabeth Alcorn	Anna Meier
Gretchen Peterson	Linda Pickerel
Michael Omara & Connie Gibb	Cleo Madden
Kathryn Underhill	Robert & Marylou Kremers
Paul & Kelly Winkler	

Gaines said each year there are homestead applicants that miss the statutory deadline of June 30th. The statute does allow for an extension to July 20th if the property owner did not request an extension the previous year. He recommended approval of the applications.

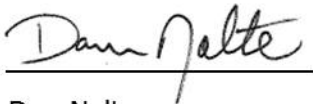
MOTION: Schorr moved and Brinkman seconded approval of the homestead exemptions. Schorr, Brinkman, Avery, Amundson and Wiltgen voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

7) **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Those wishing to speak on items relating to County Board of Equalization business not on the agenda may do so at this time.

David Tweedie, 3806 Northwest 51st Street, Lincoln, appeared and stated he was told at last week's meeting he would have an opportunity this week to discuss his property valuation protest with the referee coordinator. Wiltgen clarified that the final action meeting would begin at 10:00 a.m.

8) **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: Schorr moved and Avery seconded to adjourn the Lancaster County Board of Equalization meeting at 9:25 a.m. Brinkman, Avery, Amundson, Schorr and Wiltgen voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.



Dan Nolte
Lancaster County Clerk

