

Board of Equalization  
April 2, 2018

The Board of Equalization met at 6:00 PM at Oakes Community Center with the following members present: Mayor Zimmer and Council: Engel, Conklin, O'Brien, Harris, and Forward. Ford was absent. Visitors present: Jason Olson, Kristi Olson, JoAnn Roney, Tim Brown, Jonda Praska, and Jerry Praska. Employees present: Matt O'Brien, Pat Nelson, E. Rodningen, Gary Neuharth, and April Haring.

City Assessor Rodningen addressed the Council regarding the property value increases required by County and State regulations. Most increases were due to a reassessment of lot values. All lot values were reassessed to have equal value per square foot regardless of location. Visitors expressed concerns about increases even though no major improvements were completed. Questions were asked regarding how properties are assessed and the County's role in the determination of changes. Assessor Rodningen recommended property owners to contact the Dickey County Director of Tax Equalization and attend the County Equalization in June. Council discussed valuations and reassessments and determined no action should be taken without questions being answered by the Dickey County Director of Tax Equalization.

Harris moved, O'Brien second to recess the Board of Equalization meeting at 6:35 PM, roll call approved.

City Council Meeting  
April 2, 2018

The City Council met at 6:40 PM at Oakes Community Center with the same members, visitors, and employees present.

Minutes, Auditor and Court Reports: Conklin moved, Forward second to approve minutes and all other reports as presented, carried.

Game of Chance Permit: O'Brien moved, Engel second to approve game of chance permit for Oakes Parks & Recreation calendar raffle, carried.

Building Permit: Forward moved, Harris second to approve building permits as listed, carried:

1. Betty Kelly, Lots 11 & 12 Block 2 Koots, fence
2. Oakes School, Lots 13-18 McCarthys, playground improvements
3. David Peterson, Lot 12 Block 3 Clines, concrete

Bills: O'Brien moved, Conklin second to approve bills as listed, roll call approved:

DaShop	3,012.40	ND Dept of Transportation	10.00
Pitney Bowes Reserve Acct	2,000.00	Axon Enterprise	844.60
NDPERS 457	50.00	Edward Jones	50.00
Companion Life	505.69	AFLAC	270.08
Berubes	122.24	City of Fargo	28.00
Code 4 Services	9,874.99	Computer Express	200.00
DEMCO	137.59	Domine Sales & Services	2,692.55
Economy Propane	561.60	Grainger	84.50
GS Services	250.00	Hawkins	28,477.12
Heritage Insurance	27,363.00	Job Service ND	1,453.50
ND Tax Commissioner	1,704.87	Novak Electric	439.06
Oakes Area Chamber of Commerce	67.00	Oakes Enhancement Inc	9,145.67
Oakes Veterinary Service	30.00	Otter Tail Power	8,759.93
Quill	266.30	Radisson Hotel	91.65
Rods Cleaning	310.00	Sanitation Products	299.77
Starion Bank	2,407.04	Starion Bond Services	403,139.00
Sweets & Stories	172.45	Team Laboratory	6,279.00
The Jamestown Sun	525.99	USA Blue Book	1,773.16
Verizon Wireless	422.51	Visa-City	1,051.14
Visa-Library	407.74	Vistos Carquest	255.83
Waste Management-Landfill	1,575.09	Starion/PSN – Bank Fees	492.14
Payroll Taxes	11,950.18	Quarter Salaries	3,218.36
Salaries	38,207.29		

Committee Reports:

**Drainage,** Nelson reported Moore Engineering will be contacted to review drainage for a new home in Cline's Addition.

Unfinished Business:

**ND Department of Transportation Demonstration "Pop-Up" Project Participation,** Haring reported the information from the webinar: City will be responsible for organizing and costs for supplies and services. The project is only allowed to be "in-use" for a maximum of one month and is scheduled for the month of July. Forward moved, Harris second to pass on participation in the project at this time, carried.

New Business:

**Inert Waste Site Operation Plan and Guidelines**, Conklin moved, Engel second to approve Operation Plan and Guidelines for the closed inert landfill and waste site as presented, carried.

**Arbor Day Proclamation**, O'Brien moved, Forward second to proclaim May 4, 2018, as Arbor Day in the City of Oakes, carried. Nelson stated he has requested estimates for trees and Haring has found program other cities administer. Conklin will do further research and propose a program at a later meeting.

**Alcohol License Transfer**, O'Brien moved, Forward second to approve application and transfer of Rudy's/The Other Side alcohol license to Susan Schumacher, carried.

**Spring Clean-Up** is scheduled for April 23-28<sup>th</sup>, with no curbside pickup, and electronic recycling will be available. Dumpsters will be placed again in the parking lot south of the Community Center for free disposal of items. Electronic recycling and hazardous waste disposal will also have times scheduled during that week.

**Gravel Bids**, Engel moved, Forward second to accept gravel bid from R Enterprises for \$13.50 per cubic yard, carried.

Announcements & Correspondence:

**South Central Dakota Regional Council Working Session** for elected officials and other policymakers, April 9<sup>th</sup> at Jamestown.

Engel moved, Harris second to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 PM.

MAYOR Marty Zimmerman ATTEST Phil Haring  
(minutes subject to correction and approval at the next regular meeting)