

## Board of Equalization

April 12, 2022

The Board of Equalization met at 6:00 PM at Oakes Community Center with the following members present: Mayor O'Brien. Council: Bagley, Harris, Bakke, Hernandez-Waite, Mayer and Day. Employees present: Darrick Nitschke, Lee Bredeson, Matthew O'Brien, Rod Rodningen and Zasha Johnson. Visitors present: Kausha Magill, Yolanda Zimbelman, Alan Zimbelman, Austin Kelly, Kevin Schmitz, Lauren Poppen and Dylan Hollingsworth.

Rodningen addressed the council explaining that 46 Homestead Credit applications were received for the City of Oakes.

Rodningen explained that property tax exemptions for churches, hospitals etc. do not need to be approved each year and asked if the council would prefer a 3 or 5 year renewal schedule. Bagley moved, Mayer second to approve a 5 year renewal schedule for those exemptions, carried.

Rodningen presented his evaluations and changes for the year. Comments and questions were taken from the visitors in attendance and discussion was had about the process and reasoning for the changes.

Bakke moved, Bagley second to approve evaluations and changes as presented, unanimous roll call, carried.

Bakke moved, Harris second to adjourn board of equalization at 6:21pm.

## City Council Meeting

April 12, 2022

The City Council met at 6:21 PM at Oakes Community Center with the same members, employees and visitors present.

Minutes, Auditor and Court Reports: Harris moved, Bakke second to approve minutes, police report and auditor reports, carried.

Off Sale Alcohol Application: Bagley moved, Mayer second to approve off sale alcohol permit for the Harvest Inn, carried.

Gaming Site Application: Bakke moved, Day second to approve gaming site authorization for The Hole in One Foundation at The Angry Beaver and Harvest Inn, carried. Bakke moved, Bagley second to approve gaming site authorization for Oakes Enhancement Inc at The Last Shot Bar, carried.

Game of Chance Permits: Bakke moved, Mayer second to approve game of chance permits as listed, carried.

1. Oakes Archery, Calendar Raffle
2. Oakes DECA, Calendar Raffle
3. Tiny Tornadoes, Raffle

Building Permits: Bakke moved, Hernandez-Waite second to approve building permit for Johnson detached garage on N ½ Lot 8 all Lot 9 Block 10 McCarthy's Addn, carried. Bakke moved, Day second to approve building permit for B&B Gardens concrete slab on Lots 3-6 Block 35 Washburn's Addn, carried. Bagley moved, Bakke second to approve building permit for Hollingsworth demolition and move in house on Lot 10 & W ½ Lot 11 Block 40 EOP, carried.

Bills: Bakke moved, Bagley second to approve bills, carried.

Aflac	199.64	Agtegra Coop.	393.37
American Welding	35.75	Avid Hawk	200.00
City of Fargo	28.00	Computer Express	775.98
Corner C Store	131.87	Dakota Improvement	345.00
Dakota Supply Group	9,535.22	Dakota Valley Electric	789.00
DRN	827.72	Economy Propane	1,948.05
Embroidery Creations	33.96	Evident	161.67
Fabian Pest Control	105.00	Galls	447.17
Green Iron Equipment	1,093.29	Hawkins	3,202.25
Heritage Insurance	28,552.00	Information Technology	47.40
Midwest Pest Control	104.00	Millers Fresh Food	3.64
Napa	222.03	ND Chiefs of Police Assoc.	150.00
ND League of Cities	510.00	One Call	22.10
ND Sewage Pump Lift Station	1,757.50	NDPERS-Group Ins.	13,666.61
NDPERS-Retirement	7,087.46	Northern Truck Equipment	2,750.00
Oakes Community Hospital	44.00	Oakes Enhancement	9,158.67
Oakes Times	227.68	Oakes Truck & Trailer	359.23
Otter Tail Power	10,179.41	Paradis Law Office	500.00
Pat O'Brien	270.00	Pitney Bowes	164.97
Praska's Hardware	485.75	Quill	415.98
Rod's Cleaning	80.00	Seyer Plumbing	447.72
Starion Bank	2,407.04	Sweets & Stories	125.73
Tornado Stop	3,679.97	Visa Credit Card-City	2,314.46
Visa Credit Card-library	668.30	Visto's Carquest	100.44
Waste Management-Recycle	11509.47	Zack's Repair	25.00
Payroll Taxes	12,414.72	Salaries	52,964.82

Visitors: Kausha Magill Oakes Chamber Director presented the council with information and a request to hang the flower planters on Main Avenue as opposed to Hwy 1. The light poles are able to support the additional weight and there is a volunteer group in place to water them. Council has no objections to the change.

Committee Reports:

**Community Center,** Chief O'Brien has been working with Dickey Rural on a security camera update for the building. Existing cameras are outdated and do not provide a clear image. There are also some blind spots that will be addressed with additional cameras. Bakke moved, Day second to approve the purchase and installation of new camera system, carried.

Unfinished Business:

Second reading Chapter 17 Article 2 update: Bagley moved, Harris second to approve the update to reflect the 2020 election results, carried. First reading of updates to Chapter 11 regarding animals within city limits. First reading of updates to Chapter 6 relating to residential accessory structures.

New Business:

**Spring Clean-Up** will be held May 9<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> pending conditions at the site.

**Gravel Bids,** two were received but due to inconsistencies in bid provisions both were rejected and will be rebid with stricter specifications.

**Traffic Light,** updating the traffic light at Hwy 1 & Main was discussed as part of the Hwy 1 road project the state will be conducting in 2024.

Announcements & Correspondence:

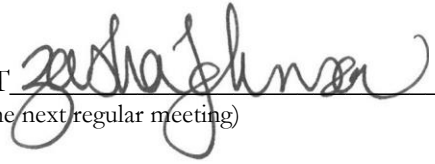
Water appropriation letter was received from Philip Hansen. Request to proclaim small business week in accordance with national small business week May 1-7, 2022.

Bagley moved, Mayer second to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 PM.

MAYOR \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST

(minutes subject to correction and approval at the next regular meeting)

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Zasha Johnson", written over a horizontal line.