EDMUNDS COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
IPSWICH, SOUTH DAKOTA
April 11, 2023

The Edmunds County Board of Equalization met at 9:00 a.m. on April 11, 2023 at the county courthouse. Members present were: Dean Mehlhaff, Morris Grosz, Micheal J. Geditz, Chad Preszler, and Timothy Thomas. Chairman Thomas called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Others present for portions of the meeting were: Brittney Duvall, Sandra Northrop, Rob Williams, and via teleconference Tracy Hutson.

**CHAIRMAN:** Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Mehlhaff to have Timothy Thomas be the Chairman for the 2023 Equalization Meeting. Motion carried.

**OATH OF OFFICE:** The members of the County Board of Equalization were administered their Oath of Office and the same was signed by each member.

**PROPERTY VALUATION:** Sandra Northrop, Edmunds County Director of Equalization, met with the Board to discuss procedure and 2023 county valuations. Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Mehlhaff that all new structures and all reconstruction or renovation of qualifying property be valued according to SDCL 10-6-137. Motion carried.

**DISCRETIONARY PROPERTY:** Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Preszler to approve the following resolution: Be it resolved that the Edmunds County Board of Equalization instructs the Director of Equalization to identify all properties that meet the criteria to be designated as a discretionary property and reduce their values accordingly per the discretionary policy adopted by the Board of Edmunds County Commissioners effective July 7, 2020. Motion carried.

**TAX FREEZE PROPERTY:** Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Grosz to approve the following resolution: Be it resolved that the Edmunds County Board of Equalization instructs the Director of Equalization to reduce values on all properties that qualify for the Assessment Freeze for the Elderly and Disabled. Motion carried.

**VETERAN TAX EXEMPT PROPERTY:** Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Geditz to approve the following resolution: Be it resolved that the Edmunds County Board of Equalization instructs the Director of Equalization to apply exemption amount to qualifying properties for the Disabled Veteran Property Tax Exemption pursuant to SDCL 10-4-40 & 10-4-41. Motion carried.

**EXEMPT PROPERTY:** Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Preszler to approve the exempt property list for 2023, as published earlier. Motion carried.

**CLASSIFICATION CHANGE:** Motioned by Mehlhaff, seconded by Grosz to remove the owner-occupied classification from the following properties: Meakins 4th Addition Lot 13 & S½ of Lot 14 Block 12 to Bowdle City, owners Barrett & Pamela Tew & Hannah Sizemore; Meakins 4th Addition

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N20' of Lot 11 & all of Lot 12 Block 11 to Bowdle City, owner Ron Ottenbacher Living Trust; Original Plat N45' of Lot 1 Block 21 to Bowdle City, owner Jackson Family Living Trust; Joachims 1st Addition Lots 1 & 2 Block 1 to Hosmer City, owners Douglas & Dagmar Burrer; Days Addition Lots 1 & 2 Block 22 to Ipswich City, owners Tracy Loken/Jack Fries; Outlot 2 SW¼-22-123-68 to Ipswich City, owner Mark Gramm; Arnold Addition Lots 1 & 2 Block 4 to Roscoe City, owners Robert & Grant Fischer; Basford's Addition W71' of Lots 1 & 2 Block 1 to Roscoe City, owner Dustin Van Well; SW¼-11-123-73, Bowdle Township, owner Carol K Thomas Part B Trust; SW¼-12-122-69, Cleveland Township, owners Edward & Roy Kirschenmann; 1st Subdivision of Mina Lake Outlots SW¼-24-123-66 Lots 11-14 & 11A-14A Except Portion of Lots 11 & 11A, Mina Lake/Cortlandt Township, owners Roger & Lori Gutenkauf; NW¼-25-123-71, Glen Township, owners Marie Goetz and Sharon & Kevin Rucker; Hoffman's Outlots 1 & 2 of the Plat of Hoffman's Outlots 1 & 2 in the NW¼-14-122-66, Richland Township, owner Jon Hoffman. Motion carried.

**ASSESSMENT APPEAL:** Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Geditz to raise the Local Board of Equalization value of $250,000 to the assessor's value of $346,815 for improvements and to accept the Local Board of Equalization value of $129,010 for land described as Lots 54 & 55 of Hoffman & Millards 4th Mina Lake Subdivision E½-13-123-66, Cortlandt Township, owners Rob E & Angela E Williams. Motion carried.

Motioned by Grosz, seconded by Geditz to raise the Local Board of Equalization value of $216,000 to the assessor's recommended value of $248,390 for improvements and to accept the Local Board of Equalization value of $7,007 for land described as W½ of Lots 1-3 Block 2 of Nehls Addition to the City of Ipswich, owner Andrea Beitelspacher. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN:** Motioned by Geditz, seconded by Mehlhaff to adjourn the Equalization Meeting at 9:55 a.m. Motion carried.

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Timothy Thomas
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST: _____
Keith Schurr
Edmunds County Auditor

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