



# Dixon County Board Minutes



## DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

The Dixon County Board of Supervisors met on August 13, 2019 at 9:00 A.M. for an adjourned meeting in the Jury Room in the Dixon County Courthouse in Ponca, Nebraska. Chair Lisa Lunz opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and called for roll call of members present. Answering were: Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen. Also present were Cindy Purucker, Dixon County Clerk and Secretary to the Board of Supervisors and other interested persons. Chair Lunz gave notice to the public of the location of the posted Open Meetings Law.

Motion was made by Blohm, seconded by Nicholson to show that this meeting was preceded by due and legal notice. On roll call vote by posting as required by law in the Bank of Dixon County, bulletin board in the lower hall of the courthouse, bulletin board in the County Clerk's office and two County newspapers, and all Board Members were notified simultaneously and the agenda of all know business to come before the Board of Supervisors was posted in the office of the County Clerk. Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen. Supervisors voting against: None.

Motion was made by Koch, seconded by Kraemer to approve the minutes of the July 10<sup>th</sup> meeting, the July 30<sup>th</sup> meeting with a correction regarding the roll call vote on the Mack truck to strike "on the condition that it will be used county wide" and the August 7, 2019 minutes as written. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen. Supervisors voting against: None. Dixon County Road Supt., Arnold Mellick and Engineer, Brian McDonald were present to discuss ongoing road and bridge projects.

Brian McDonald, County Engineer, updated the Board on the EWP projects. Supervisor Kraemer will need to email the project manager that all projects were approved. Work cannot start on the projects until all the agreements are signed. The Emerson North Project Bridge on the Dakota/Dixon County line north of Emerson will probably be let next year, he is working on plans for Federal Highway. The Wakefield NW project has been completed; signage still needs to be installed. FEMA Site 11 in Supervisor District 7 was discussed. The engineering plan has changed and it may not cost as much too complete as initially thought. We may need to pay back some FEMA money in that instance.

Koch made a motion to approve Change Order No. 2, the Completion Certificate and final pay application #2 on the Wakefield NW project and direct the Chair to sign all necessary documents. Seconded by Mackling. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen. Supervisors voting against: None.

A motion was made by Kraemer to direct the Chair to sign the Notice to Proceed and Agreement with Krusemark Construction & Excavation for the Martinsburg SE project, seconded by Koch. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen. Supervisors voting against: None.

A motion was made by Koch and seconded by Mackling to authorize JEO to estimate prices and sizes for a box culvert to replace the Newton bridge, and also to install a culvert on 862 Rd, 1 ½ miles west of Highway 9. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen. Supervisors voting against: None.

Dixon County was notified by Nebraska Public Employees Union Local 251 that the Dixon County road workers have contacted them with interest in order to form a union. The union requested the Board respond to voluntarily recognize the road workers union. There was much discussion on the matter. A motion was made by Nicholson to voluntarily recognize the road workers union, seconded by Kraemer. On roll call vote: Motion failed. Voting no, Blohm, Mackling, Nicholson, Kraemer, Koch and Lunz. Absent: Andersen.

A motion to sign the resolution and contract with the State of Nebraska for Fracture Critical Bridge Inspections was made by Koch and seconded by Kraemer. Motion carried. On roll call vote: Supervisors voting



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in favor of said motion were: Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen. Supervisors voting against: None.

A motion was made by Mackling to extend the lease on the John Deere excavator, seconded by Nicholson. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen. Supervisors voting against: None.

David Armstrong and Joe Johnson, representing his granddaughter Denise Musselman, were present to ask the Board to consider closing a half mile of abandoned road located on 586 Avenue, between Sections 10 & 11, Township 30, Range 5.

Motion was made by Koch to sign the resolution to direct Arnold Mellick, Highway Superintendent, to conduct a study on the abandoned road between Sections 10 & 11, Township 30, Range 5 on 586 Avenue. Seconded by Kraemer. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen. Supervisors voting against: None.

Brad Verzani addressed the Board about changing road maintenance responsibilities of approximately 4 miles of road on 878 Road between Ponca and the end of township maintenance in Section 30, Township 30, Range 7. He believes the amount of traffic would qualify it to become a County maintained road instead of the township's responsibility.

Mike Pommer was present to discuss the budget estimates.

The Board recessed to meet as Board of Equalization, and reconvened with all members present except Andersen.

Dixon County's Budget Hearing was set for September 10, 2019 at 1:30 P.M. and a hearing to set a tax request at a different amount than last year was set for September 10, 2019 at 1:45 P.M. on a motion by Koch, second by Blohm. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen. Supervisors voting against: None.

The County Official's 2019 Inventories were approved on a motion by Blohm and second by Kraemer. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen. Supervisors voting against: None.

Motion was made by Koch to sign the loan agreement with Bank of Dixon County for the Mack truck and RWay belly dump trailer. Second by Kraemer. On roll call vote: Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen. Supervisors voting against: None.

Excess inventory was discussed. A motion was made by Koch and seconded by Blohm to direct the County Clerk to advertise to sell the 1965 Dodge water truck and the 1985 Cat 613C scraper by sealed bid. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen. Supervisors voting against: None.

The County Official's Fee Reports and Treasurer's List of Pledged Securities were approved on a motion by Nicholson second by Kraemer. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen. Supervisors voting against: None. Safety training will be set for August 27<sup>th</sup> for the Courthouse personnel. A safety drill will be set for September 10<sup>th</sup>.

Supervisor Blohm left the meeting at 11:20 A.M.

Jodie Kilton requested the Board consider selling the vacant lot across the street to the east of the courthouse.

A motion was made by Kraemer to have a hearing on September 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 A.M. to hear testimony for or against the sale of county property. Second made by Koch. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors



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voting in favor of said motion were: Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen & Blohm. Supervisors voting against: None.

County Attorney, Leland Miner was present to discuss legal concerns of the Board.

Discussion was had on the agreement with Enel Wind Power. The agreement releases Enel from damages on 1 mile of asphalt road that they didn't travel, in exchange for gravel for county and township roads that were damaged during the construction of the wind towers. Motion to accept and sign the agreement was made by Mackling, seconded by Nicholson. On roll call vote: Mackling-Yes; Nicholson-Yes, Kraemer-No; Koch-No; Lunz-Yes. : Motion carried. Absent: Andersen & Blohm.

Correspondence was reviewed.

The following claims were presented by the Claims Committee:

CO-Capital Outlay, ER-Equipment Rental, INS-Insurance, LS-Legal Services, MA-Materials, MI-Miscellaneous, OE-Operating Expenses, PY-Prior Years Service, RE-Reimbursement, RP-Repairs, SU-Supplies, TS-Technology Services, VS-Vendor Services

## GENERAL FUND

Courthouse empl.,supv. & coord.	salaries	\$ 131,111.04
Alpine Lawn Service	VS	\$35.00
Jane A. Andersen	RE	\$225.00
Applied Concepts Inc	TS	\$4,561.00
Applied Connective Technologies	TS	\$1,050.00
Art Kathol Appliance, Inc	VS	\$607.54
Autry Reporting	LS	\$363.00
B & S Trading Post	MI	\$7.23
Bank Of Dixon County	OE	\$206.17
Bank Of Dixon County	OE/MI	\$1,584.09
Bear Graphics Inc	OE	\$213.54
Neil Blohm	RE	\$78.30
Bob Barker Company Inc	SU	\$35.04
C & C Country Store, LLC	MI	\$1,389.88
Duane Dean Chase	PY	\$16.00
Coffee King, Inc	VS	\$41.00
Consolidated Management Company	OE	\$29.05
Counsel	OE	\$91.16
Counsel	OE	\$142.97
Countryside Gas & Grocery	OE	\$109.30
Crary Law Firm	LS	\$47.50
Cubby's Corporate Office	OE	\$843.35
DAS State Acctg-Central Finance	TS	\$65.00
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DAS State Acctg-Central Finance	TS	\$448.00
DAS State Acctg-Central Finance	TS	\$30.88
Dirt Road Construction, LLC	VS	\$2,476.00
Dixon County Assessor	RE	\$100.92
Dixon County Clerk	OE	\$42.35



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Dixon County Court	LS	\$40.00
Dixon County Emergency Manager	OE	\$75.00
Dixon County Insurance Fund	INS	\$903,944.60
Dixon County Sheriff's Office	LS	\$114.44
Doc Jay's Auto Repair	RP	\$81.11
Audrey Dohma	PY	\$16.00
Don Groves Repair	RP	\$2,775.00
Eakes Office Plus	OE	\$47.67
Kathy Eifert	PY	\$18.00
Raymond Eisley	PY	\$13.00
Elite Court Reporting	LS	\$375.95
Gill Hauling Inc	VS	\$113.50
Great Plains Comm Inc	OE	\$1,009.19
Group Resources of Iowa, LLC	INS	\$1,976.28
Hurley Law Offices	LS	\$1,098.70
Interstate All Battery Center	SU	\$48.00
Jack's Uniform and Equip	SU	\$60.95
John M Hines Attorney At Law	RE	\$225.00
Jorgensen Law Office	LS	\$10,497.70
K & K Catering	VS	\$2,168.25
Jane Keitges	RE	\$212.06
Greta Kraemer	RE	\$169.94
Krohn Car Care	RP	\$882.72
Lynn Kuehl	OE	\$75.00
Lisa Lunz	RE	\$220.98
Lynn Peavey Company	SU	\$37.45
M C I	OE	\$169.08
M I P S, Inc	TS	\$3,129.27
Alan Mackling	RE	\$150.00
Donald L. Mackling	PY	\$16.00
Dan McCabe	PY	\$25.00
Christal McDonald	LS	\$48.25
Midwest Alarm Service	VS	\$225.96
Mitiku Mamo	RE	\$55.68
N C S E A	MI	\$90.00
N D A A Insurance Services Office	INS	\$1,258.00
Nebraska Assn Clerk, ROD, Election Comm	MI	\$50.00
Nebraska Health & Human Services	VS	\$171.00
Nebraska Journal Leader	VS	\$573.88
Nebraska Law Enforcement	MI	\$110.00
Terry Nicholson	RE	\$58.00
Northeast Nebr Telephone Co	OE	\$47.70
Northeast Power	OE	\$2,069.47
One Office Solution	SU	\$989.33
Rita Olberding	LS	\$40.60
Ponca Cooperative, LLC	VS	\$273.38



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Ponca Public Utilities	OE	\$186.92
Region IV Behavioral Health System	LS	\$4,320.25
Quincy Rich	MI	\$625.00
Sarah Roberts	RE	\$502.28
Sam's Club MC/SYNCB	SU	\$114.58
Micheal Schmiedt Attorney At Law	RE	\$75.00
Sign Masters, SSC	VS	\$475.00
Sioux Sales Company	SU	\$309.60
Staples Credit Plan	SU	\$2.77
Staples Credit Plan	SU	\$350.02
Sandy Sullivan	RE	\$73.66
The Apothecary Shop	MI	\$6.61
Thomson Reuters	TS	\$3,327.42
Thurston County Sheriff's Office	LS	\$950.00
University Of Nebraska	OE	\$541.67
Vac-Shack, Inc	SU	\$94.85
Verizon Wireless	OE	\$80.02
Verizon Wireless	OE	\$411.66
Wakefield Republican	VS	\$331.44
Woodhouse Ford Sioux City	CO	\$15,188.00

## ROAD FUND

Road employees	salaries	\$ 39,707.69
B & S Trading Post	SU	\$38.23
B's Enterprises, Inc	MA	\$9,400.00
Bank Of Dixon County	CO	\$2,549.49
Bank Of Dixon County	CO	\$3,578.30
Bomgaars	SU	\$89.07
C & C Country Store, LLC	OE	\$82.00
Concrete Materials	MA	\$34,121.97
Countryside Gas & Grocery	OE	\$7,385.10
Ekberg Auto Parts	RP	\$92.82
Folkers Bros. Garage Inc	SU	\$10,883.76
Grossenburg Imp	RP	\$493.28
J E O Consulting Group Inc	VS	\$10,331.50
L G Everist Inc	OE	\$8,607.31
Marron Service	OE	\$6,038.64
Midwest Service & Sales Co	MA	\$3,680.00
Murphy Tractor & Equipment Co	ER/RP	\$6,941.91
NMC Exchange, LLC	RP	\$516.65
NE Neb Tire and Trailer Sales, Inc.	RP	\$28.00
Newton Diesel, Inc	VS	\$375.73
Northeast Nebr Telephone Co	OE	\$166.25
Northeast Power	OE	\$175.58
Ponca Cooperative, LLC	VS	\$830.45



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PRAXAIR Distribution, Inc,	VS	\$25.86
Rod's Repair	RP	\$302.44
Sioux City Tarp, Inc.	RP	\$1,585.90
Sturdevant's Auto Parts	RP	\$62.42
Theisen Construction Inc	VS	\$73,093.92
Triple J Trucking Inc	VS	\$13,251.49
Wakefield City Clerk	OE	\$59.85
Wakefield Republican	VS	\$21.33
Warren Oil	OE	\$5,490.51
Ziegler Inc	RP	\$760.25

## CHILD SUPPORT INCENTIVE FUND

Child Support employee	salary	\$628.47
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## COUNTY VISITOR'S PROMO FUND

Nebraska Journal Leader	VS	\$6.22
Outlaw Trail Scenic Byway	MI	\$100.00
Wakefield Republican	VS	\$5.40

## VISITOR'S IMPROVEMENT FUND

Ponca Rodeo Association	CO	\$15,000.00
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## PRESERVATION & MODERNIZATION FUND

Microfilm Imaging Systems, Inc.,	OE	\$855.00
Mobile Binders	OE	\$777.33

## INSURANCE FUND

Dixon Co. Health Ins.	INS	\$83,269.29
Group Resources of Iowa, LLC	INS	\$24,258.89
Mercy Business Hlth Serv/Urgnt Care	VS	\$102.00
		\$107,630.18

## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND

E-911 employee	salary	\$ 3,066.23
Art Kathol Appliance, Inc	VS	\$5,660.00
Brian M. Blatchford	MI	\$1,200.00
Century Link	OE	\$5.64
Centurylink	OE	\$321.07
Great Plains Comm Inc	OE	\$432.88
Group Resources of Iowa, LLC	INS	\$494.07
H M E, Inc	MA	\$674.50



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Huber & Associates Inc	VS	\$750.00
Northeast Nebr Telephone Co	OE	\$266.86
Northeast Power	OE	\$312.35
Staples Credit Plan	SU	\$265.18

## NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND

Noxious Weed employees	salaries	\$ 8,350.36
Ekberg Auto Parts	RP	\$2.49
Douglas R Ellis	RE	\$8.94
Northeast Nebr Telephone Co	OE	\$90.51
Northeast Power	OE	\$114.68
Share Corporation	SU	\$4,742.59
U.S. Cellular	OE	\$96.02

## GENERAL FUND

Aflac	Insurance	\$ 1,007.58
Communication workers of America	Union Dues	\$ 251.82
Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct	FICA, Fed & State WH Taxes	\$ 32,986.30
	employee share of health	
Dixon County Insurance Fund #1275	ins	\$ 41.00
First Concord Benefits Group	Employee cafeteria plan	\$ 998.00
Legal Shield	Employee cafeteria plan	\$ 79.70
Nationwide Retirement Solutions	deferred comp	\$ 735.00
Nebraska Dept Revenue	employee deduction	\$ 434.39
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	county retirement	\$ 14,538.66
Retirement Plans Service Center	deferred comp	\$ 320.00
Washington National Ins Co.	Insurance	\$ 35.27

## Roads / Bridge Fund

AFLAC	insurance	\$ 360.62
Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct	FICA, Fed & State WH Taxes	\$ 9,851.59
	employee share of health	
Dixon County Insurance Fund #1275	ins	\$ 13.00
First Concord Benefits Group	Employee cafeteria plan	\$ 320.00
Liberty National	Employee insurance	\$ 106.56
Nationwide Retirement Solutions	deferred comp	\$ 260.00
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	county retirement	\$ 4,422.79
Washington National Ins Co.	Insurance	\$ 61.05

## 985 Child Support

Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct	FICA, Fed & State WH Taxes	\$ 231.00
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	county retirement	\$ 70.70

## 911 EMERGENCY SERVICES

AFLAC	insurance	\$ 69.81
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Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct	FICA, Fed & State WH Taxes	\$	796.55
	employee share of health		
Dixon County Insurance Fund #1275	ins	\$	1.00
Nebraska Child Support	Child Support	\$	445.00
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	county retirement	\$	344.95

## **NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL FUND**

Dixon County Imprest Payroll Acct	FICA, Fed & State WH Taxes	\$	2,136.19
	employee share of health		
Dixon County Insurance Fund #1275	ins	\$	2.00
Nebraska Child Support	Child Support	\$	475.76
Retirement Plans Div of Ameritas	county retirement	\$	759.28

Motion was made by Koch, seconded by Mackling to allow all claims for payment. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen & Blohm. Supervisors voting against: None. The Board recessed for lunch at 12:10 P.M.

The Board reconvened at 1:10 P.M.

Shea Scollard, Emergency Manager, updated the Board on his activities. He has applied for an EMPG grant, Dixon County participated in National Night Out which was held in Emerson for all law enforcement & fire & E911 personnel. He is working with Ponca Police Dept. on the Ponca School Crisis Plan. FEMA site visits are scheduled for Wednesday & Thursday this week.

Lynn Kuehl, E911 Coordinator and Deputy Emergency Manager, informed the Board she still has 911 signs that need installed. The Supervisors told her they will have them installed. The fiber lines for the tower are being installed. There is a wash out coming down the hill from the tower that needs to be fixed because it is close to the conduit. She also explained the budget request for the state radio system upgrade. There will be a countywide drill at the fairgrounds either this fall or next spring. This will include all the schools if they want to participate.

A motion was made by Koch and seconded by Mackling to allow disposition and recycling of Lynn Kuehl's E911 list of non-working equipment, a list is on file in the County Clerk's office. On roll call vote: Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen & Blohm. Supervisors voting against: None. Tony Burkhalter, Nebraska Public Employees Union Local 251 was present to discuss the road workers request for a union. Chair Lunz informed Mr. Burkhalter that the Board has decided not to voluntarily recognize the road workers request for a union. Mr. Burkhalter then informed the Board that they will then go forth with a formal petition with the Nebraska Commission of Industrial Relations and an election.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion was made by Nicholson, seconded by Kraemer to adjourn. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen & Blohm. Supervisors voting against: None.

The Board adjourned at 1:45 P.M.

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ATTEST: CINDY PURUCKER

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LISA LUNZ, CHAIR





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DIXON COUNTY CLERK

DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

## DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PROCEEDINGS

The Dixon County Board of Equalization met on August 13, 2019 at 11:00 A.M. for an adjourned meeting in the Jury Room in the Dixon County Courthouse in Ponca, Nebraska. Chair Lisa Lunz called for roll call of members present. Answering were: Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen. Also present were Cindy Purucker, Dixon County Clerk and Secretary to the Board and Amy Watchorn, Dixon County Assessor. Chair Lunz gave notice to the public of the location of the posted Open Meetings Law.

Motion was made by Blohm, seconded by Kraemer to show by the records that this meeting was preceded by due and legal notice by posting as required by law in the Bank of Dixon County, bulletin board in the lower hall of the courthouse, bulletin board in the County Clerk's office and two County newspapers, and all Board Members were notified simultaneously and the agenda of all know business to come before the Board of Equalization was posted in the office of the County Clerk. On roll call vote, Motion carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen.

Motion was made by Mackling, seconded by Blohm to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2019 and July 12, 2019 meetings as written. On roll call vote, Motion Carried. Supervisors voting in favor of said motion were: Neil Blohm, Alan Mackling, Terry Nicholson, Greta Kraemer, William Koch and Lisa Lunz. Absent: Andersen.

There were no Tax list corrections or exemption applications to review.

There being no further business, the Board reconvened as Board of Supervisors.

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ATTEST: CINDY PURUCKER  
DIXON COUNTY CLERK

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LISA LUNZ, CHAIR  
DIXON COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION