

EQUALIZATION & SPECIAL MEETING DE SMET COMMON COUNCIL
MARCH 17, 2025

The De Smet Common Council met in special session on March 17, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. with the following present: Lowell Hansen, Dustin McCune, Bret Jensen, George Cavanaugh, Mayor Gary Wolkow, and Clerk Tracey Larson. Absent: Pam Spader, Dane Coughlin, and school board representative.

The purpose of this special meeting was to convene as a Board of Equalization to hear appeals on property assessments.

CONVENE AS BOARD OF EQUALIZATION: Mayor Wolkow called the meeting to order and declared the Council to be convened as a Board of Equalization.

APPEAL #1: Parcel #6066 Chad Malone & Jennifer Hively filed a request to appeal their assessed value of their residential property legally described as Lots 1 & 2 in Malone's Addition to De Smet City in NW27-111-56. Malone and Hively presented three other comparable properties and discussed the information from two realtors. Motion was made by Cavanaugh, seconded by Jensen, to approve changing the structure value from \$770,687.00 to \$642,239.00, all voting aye, motion carried.

DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION REQUEST: A written request was made by Tammy Anderson, Kingsbury County Director of Equalization requesting a change to parcel #6066 Land Value from \$13,533.00 to \$1,364.00 because of an entry error. Motion was made by Hansen, seconded by Cavanaugh, to change the value of parcel #6066 Land Value from \$13,533.00 to \$1,364.00 as recommended due to an entry error, all voting aye, motion carried. A written request was made by Tammy Anderson, Kingsbury County Director of Equalization requesting a change to parcel #5954 Residential Structure value from \$229,319.00 to \$170,772.00 because of an entry error. Other structures on the property and land would remain the same. Motion was made by Cavanaugh, seconded by Jensen, to change the value of parcel #5954 Structure Value from \$229,319.00 to \$170,772.00 because of an entry error, all voting aye, motion carried.

APPEAL #2: Parcel #5868 Wade & Amy Hoefert filed a request to appeal their assessed value of their residential property legally described as All of Lot 14 & W 15' of Lot 15, Block 9, Brown's Addition. Hoefert discussed other comparable properties. Motion was made by Cavanaugh, seconded by Hansen, to approve changing the structure value from \$250,360.00 to \$208,633.00, all voting aye, motion carried.

ASSESSMENT BOOKS: There being no other objections filed, the assessment books were reviewed and discussed. Motion was made by Jensen, seconded by McCune, to approve the assessment books, all voting aye, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the board, motion was made by McCune, seconded by Jensen, to adjourn as the Board of Equalization.

ATTEST:

Gary Wolkow, Mayor

Tracey Larson, Clerk

RECONVENE: Motion was made by Cavanaugh, seconded by McCune, to reconvene as the De Smet City Council, all voting aye, motion carried.

PICKUP BIDS: This being the date and time advertised, Mayor Wolkow opened one bid received for a new, 2025 One Ton 4x4 Crew Cab Pickup. The bid

received was from O'Keefe Implement in the amount of \$53,700.00. Motion was made by Cavanaugh, seconded by Jensen, to approve accepting the bid from O'Keefe Implement for a new, 2025 One Ton 4x4 Crew Cab Pickup in the amount of \$53,700.00, all voting aye, motion carried.

1988 CHEVY FIRE TRUCK BIDS: A 1988 Chevy Fire Truck with fire apparatus was advertised for sale for this date and time for received bids to be opened. There were no bids received.

CHIP SEAL COATING & CRACK SEALING BIDS: Sealed bids for chip sealing and crack sealing and publicly noticed were opened on March 7, 2025, at 3:00 pm, at the Arlington City Hall. Bids received were presented to the council as follows:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
Bituminous Paving, Inc.	\$3.25/sq. yard = \$94,250.00
The Road Guy Construction Co., Inc.	\$2.02/sq. yard = \$58,580.00
Midwest Coatings Company, Inc.	\$3.64/sq. yard = \$105,560.00

Bids received for crack sealing 21,000 liner feet are as follows:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
Highway Improvement, Inc.	\$18,480.00 total
Midwest Coating Company, Inc.	\$28,980.00 total

Motion was made by Jensen, seconded by McCune, to approve and accept the bid from The Road Guy Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$58,580.00 for chip seal coating and the bid from Highway Improvement, Inc., in the amount of \$18,480.00 for crack sealing, all voting aye, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

ADJOURN: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned on motion by Hansen.

Gary Wolkow, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tracey Larson, Finance Officer

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