The Gage County Board of Equalization met on June 14, 2023 at 8:36 a.m. with Terry Jurgens, Emily Haxby, Don Schuller, Erich Tiemann, Eddie Dorn and Dave Swavely present, Gary Lytle absent. Patti Milligan, County Assessor, present.

Notice of said meeting was posted at the County Clerk's Office and published prior to the meeting in compliance with State Statutes.

Let the record show that all proceedings are electronically recorded.

Chairman Tiemann announced that a complete copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted at the back of the Board of Supervisors Room.

Motion made by Swavely, seconded by Dorn to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion made by Dorn, seconded by Swavely to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as mailed/emailed out. Motion carried 6-0.

No public present for comments and request for future agenda items.

Motion made by Dorn, seconded by Swavely to open public hearing at 8:37 a.m. to approve or disapprove tax exemption on vehicle(s) owned by Mosaic, a qualifying organization. Motion carried 6-0.

No public present.

Motion made by Schuller, seconded by Swavely to close public hearing at 8:38 a.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion made by Dorn, seconded by Schuller to approve tax exemption on vehicle(s) owned by Mosaic, a qualifying organization. Motion carried 6-0.

County Assessor Patti Milligan told the board she has been getting a lot of phone calls regarding the valuations that went out earlier this month due to the increases. Senator Myron Dorn was also present and spoke regarding the valuations and tax relief in the form of income tax credit that the Legislature is working on. It won't show on your property tax statement but will show on your income tax statement as a tax credit. He said that a lot of things go into the equation and that more work will be done, it just takes time. He mentioned that there are other hot issues such as workforce and daycare, saying that the employment rate in Nebraska is at 70% compared to the national average of 62%, which creates more of a need for daycare providers.

Patti stated that her office is required by law to be at a certain percentage of valuation so if she didn't raise valuations to meet that criteria then she would be ordered to go to TERC (Tax Equalization Review Committee).

Tiemann said he wanted to clarify that the Assessor's Office only sets the property valuation, not the property taxes.

Jurgens questioned what qualifies land to be considered irrigated when there is no water in the pond to irrigate out of. Patti said that even if it was only irrigated one time it's considered to be irrigated land.

Chairman declared Board of Equalization adjourned at 9:03 a.m. until June 28, 2023.

/s/ Michelle K. Bloomquist Michelle K. Bloomquist Deputy Gage County Clerk /s/ Erich Tiemann

Erich Tiemann, Chairman

Gage County Board of Equalization

I, Michelle K. Bloomquist, Deputy County Clerk of Gage County, do hereby certify that the above records are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Witness my hand and official seal this 14th day of June, 2023.

(SEAL)

/s/ Michelle K. Bloomquist Michelle K. Bloomquist Deputy Gage County Clerk