

## UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ELK POINT CITY COUNCIL

The Elk Point City Council and the Local Board of Equalization met in special session on Monday, March 16, 2015 at 7:00pm in the council chamber of City Hall located at 106 W. Pleasant Street with Mayor Trobaugh presiding and these members present: Zevenbergen, Honomichl, Leitru, Verros, McCreary and Buum. No one was absent. Also present were: City Attorney Thompson, City Engineer McLaury, City Administrator Nelsen, Elk Point Economic Development Corporation President John Herrity, Public Works Director Buum and Finance Officer Hammitt.

Motion made by Honomichl, seconded by McCreary to approve the agenda. All in favor.

Buum arrived at 7:04pm.

The Elk Point Economic Development Corporation (EDC) President, John Herrity attended the meeting to discuss the Development Park road construction and infrastructure plans. Mr. Herrity on behalf of the EDC requested council's support to begin Phase I with the donated help from Mike Chicoine, utility construction company and the Public Works Department. Once the road and infrastructure are completed the land will be a ready certified site. Motion and second, Verros/Leitru to support the EDC with Phase I of the project with the help of the Public Works Department. Unanimous.

Buum moved and Zevenbergen seconded a motion to go into executive session per SDCL #1-25-2.3, Legal Counsel at 7:10pm. All in favor.

Mayor Trobaugh declared the council out of executive session at 7:14pm.

Motion made by Honomichl, seconded by Verros to convene as the Local Board of Equalization with School Board member Kari Mau present. Unanimous.

Ryan and Cari Fleek (Cari Albin) filed objection #1 on Old Mill Track 3 in NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  (.32A), City of Elk Point. The objector stated the assessed value on the home increased \$22,563.00 and the only improvements done were adding a fence and replacing a deck. Comparable values were given by the objector. They requested the home value be increased by 5% of the previous year's valuation. Verros moved and Honomichl seconded a motion to change the structure value from \$81,763.00 to \$61,923.00. Voting in favor: Verros, Honomichl, McCreary, Leitru, Mau and Buum. Zevenbergen abstained. Motion carried.

Patrick and Penny Carter filed objection #2 on Lots 5 & 6 Block 11 Original Elk Point City. The objector stated the property was purchased for \$23,000.00 and the size of the home has been reduced in square footage. Motion and second, Verros/Leitru to reduce the assessed structure value from \$60,950.00 to \$7,530.00 as requested by the objector. Voting in favor: Verros, Leitru, Mau and Zevenbergen. Voting against: McCreary, Honomichl and Buum. Motion carried.

Steve and Rose Adams filed objection #3 on Lots 4 thru 6, Block 36, Weston and Hoffman Addition Elk Point City. The objector requested the building value be reduced to \$189,000.00 as the property does not have curb and gutter and the house sits on a gravel road. Motion made by McCreary, seconded by Honomichl to reduce the building value from \$227,852.00 to \$189,000.00 based on the location of the home. All in favor.

Brad and Zanniell Zevenbergen filed objection #4 on Yost Track 1 in NW ¼ NE ¼ Outlots Elk Point City (1.36A). The objector stated that a \$2,500.00 garden shed was added to the property, but no other renovations had been done and the value of the home increased \$47,228.00. Mr. Zevenbergen also listed comparables to his home and requested the building value be reduced to last year's valuation with a 5% increase. Verros moved and Buum seconded a motion to decrease the structure value from \$205,228.00 to \$167,712.00 as requested. Voting in favor: Verros, Buum, McCreary, Honomichl, Mau and Leitru. Zevenbergen abstained. Motion carried.

Motion made by Honomichl and seconded by McCreary to approve that all other taxable property in the City of Elk Point has been properly placed upon the assessment roll and has been duly valued by the Director of Equalization. All in favor.

Motion to adjourn, Verros/McCreary. Unanimous.

Attest: Erika Hammitt  
Finance Officer

Isabel Trobaugh  
Mayor

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