

**OGLALA LAKOTA COUNTY REGULAR & EQUALIZATION MINUTES OF APRIL  
21, 2017**

The Oglala Lakota Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on April 21, 2017. Present: Art Hopkins, Lyla Hutchison, Wendell Yellow Bull, Arlin Whirlwindhorse and Sue Ganje, Auditor. Anna Takes the Shield was absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given and the meeting called to order at 1:17 pm by Chairman Yellow Bull. The agenda was reviewed for conflicts. ALL MOTIONS RECORDED IN THESE MINUTES WERE BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

Motion made by Hutchison, seconded by Whirlwindhorse to approve the agenda as written.

Susie Simkins, Director of Equalization, met with the board for travel approval and discussed different schooling options for the year. Motion made by Hutchison, seconded by Hopkins, to approve for one to the Range camp and one to school in the fall.

Motion made by Whirlwindhorse, seconded by Hopkins, to adjourn as a board of County Commissioners at 1:19 PM.

Board reconvened as the 2017 Oglala Lakota Board of Equalization at 1:20 p.m. and reviewed the board responsibilities and all members took the oath of office which was placed on file.

Motion made by Whirlwindhorse, seconded by Hopkins, to approve the Town of Batesland's local board minutes.

The board reviewed the 2017 exempt list. Action will be taken later.

Anna Takes the Shield joined the meeting at 1:23 PM.

The list of stipulations was reviewed. Motion made by Hutchison, seconded by Hopkins to approve the list of 2017 stipulations.

An add-on hearing was held for Oglala Sioux Tribe property. Denise Mesteth, OST Land Director was present to represent OST. These properties are owned by the OST, and have been submitted for Trust status, but not yet approved but the BIA. Motion made by Whirlwindhorse, seconded by Hopkins to approve the add-on values for the Oglala Sioux Tribe, pay '18, with all voting yes. Break down as follows:

Parcel #04000-03544-121-00 in the amount of \$10,830.00  
Parcel #19000-03743-26-00 in the amount of \$22,370.00  
Parcel #22000-03746-232-10 in the amount of \$6,000.00  
Parcel #28000-03844-121-10 in the amount of \$6,000.00  
Parcel #28000-03844-361-10 in the amount of \$5,000.00

Parcel #36000-03944-311-10 in the amount of \$22,500.00  
Parcel #41000-04041-342-00 in the amount of \$36,780.00  
Parcel #44000-04044-197-00 in the amount of \$10,500.00  
Parcel #13000-03645-052-11 in the amount of \$1,000.00  
Parcel #22000-03746-304-10 in the amount of \$1,000.00

Attorney Mark Kroontje met to represent the Wings as Eagle Ministries appeal. Simkins has received all applicable documents with recommendation to approve exempt status. Motion made by Hutchison seconded by Takes The Shield to approve exempt status for Wings as Eagles with up to 80 acres exempt, parcel #510000414318100, appeal 2017-01. With Hopkins voting no, all others voting yes, motion carried.

The board reviewed with Simkins the Jamie Moran appeal. Mr. Moran briefly explained his appeal. Simkins recommended non-ag status with a total value of \$24,000. Motion made by Hutchison, seconded by Whirlwindhorse to approve the Director of Equalization's recommendation of \$24,000 total, with a non-ag value, parcel #330000394117400, appeal 2017-02, \$3,000; 33000-03941-17410, appeal 2017-3, \$12,000; 33000-03941-17420, appeal 2017-4, appeal \$3,000 and parcel #330000394117430, appeal 2017-05, \$6,000.

Bert Corwin spoke by phone to discuss the value increase. Simkins explained state statute on ag values. Motion made by Whirlwindhorse, seconded by Hutchison to make no change to Bert and Lydia Corwin, parcel #090000364118100, appeal 2017-06, parcel #090000364118300, appeal 2017-07, parcel #090000364120100, appeal 2017-08, parcel #090000364120300, appeal 2017-09, parcel #090000364130120, appeal 2017-10, parcel #10000364209100, appeal 2017-11, parcel #170000374112200, appeal 2017-12, parcel #170000374113100, appeal 2017-13 and parcel #170000374114100, appeal 2017-14.

Motion made by Whirlwindhorse, seconded by Hutchison to approve the 2017 exempt list with the exception of PR Baptist.

Motion made by Whirlwindhorse, seconded by Hopkins to adjourn as an equalization board at 2:52 p.m.

The board reconvened as a board of County Commissioners. Jim Sword, State's Attorney met briefly to discuss continuing cooperation with tribe and county. Sword would like to work on a Kiosk for license renewals. Deputy State's Attorney Tatewin Means has resigned as Attorney General for the OST, but still is the Deputy State's Attorney.

Hutchison exited the meeting at 3:03 p.m. and Takes the Shield exited the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

Motion made by Whirlwindhorse, seconded by Hopkins to adjourn the meeting at 3:11 p.m.

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Wendell Yellow Bull, Chairman  
Board of Oglala Lakota County

Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Sue Ganje, Oglala Lakota County Auditor