

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SALEM CITY COUNCIL, MEETING AS A “REVIEW BOARD” HELD IN THE MCCOOK CENTRAL SCHOOL DDN ROOM IN SALEM SOUTH DAKOTA ON MONDAY, MARCH 19, 2024, AT 6:00 P.M.

Mayor Glenda Blindert called the meeting to order with Council Members Ron Mayrose, Mitch Rayman, Doug Mokros, Janet Karel, Dnyee’ Schierholz and School Board Member Jeremy Grady present. Council member Marc Harris was absent.

Motions made were unanimous of board members present unless roll call identifies otherwise.

APPEAL 2024.1:

PARCEL 17.18.110701: David & Pamela Palmer objection form stated, “Our house was built by Custom Homes in Madison and moved here. Our house has two bedrooms, two bathrooms, a small office and medium-sized kitchen, and a living and dining area. Our basement is unfinished, and we have a 3-car garage. Our taxes have raised a lot this year to \$4,954.88. No changes to our house or property, so we are concerned. We talked to friends in Mitchell that have much larger homes in the Dakota Wesleyan area. They are paying half of what our bill is for the year. We are on a fixed income and are finding that we may well have to leave our home in Salem because of this tax bill.”

David and Pam Palmer are asking to lower the house value to \$200,000 and land value to \$25,000 total value of \$225,000.00. The 2024 Assessment is \$258,100 (house), \$26,296 (land), Total Assessed Value: \$284,386. House is 1,820 sq. ft. upper level finished.

David and Pam Palmer were present. Pam stated their house was not on their previous tax bill so that is why there was a significant increase. Also was provided information on the Property Tax Freeze Program.

Discussion was held on current cost to build and home sales. Council question if Palmers have talked to Cori Kaufmann, McCook County Equalization for an explanation on how they determined their value? A phone number was provided.

Motion Mokros, second Rayman, carried, to deny the request of David & Pamela Palmer to lower the 2024 Real Property Assessed valuation.

The board reviewed the 2024 tax assessment roll (payable 2025).

Motion Mokros, second Mayrose, carried, to approve the 2024 tax assessment roll without changes.

Motion Karel, second Rayman, carried, to adjourn as “Review Board” at 6:15 P.M.

Dated this 19th day of March 2024, at Salem, South Dakota.

(Seal)

Glenda Blindert
Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Heumiller
Finance Officer

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