STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

December 2, 2024 10:00 AM

Governor's Conference Room Second Floor – State Capitol Building

MINUTES

The State Board of Equalization met on December 2, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in the Governor's Conference Room on the second floor of the State Capitol building. The members were notified by e-mail.

Members present were:

Governor J. Kevin Stitt
Lt. Governor Matt Pinnell
Cindy Byrd, State Auditor
Gentner Drummond, Attorney General
Ryan Walters, Superintendent of Public Instruction
Blayne Arthur, Commissioner of Agriculture

Members absent:

Todd Russ, State Treasurer

Guest who took part in discussion:

Joe Hapgood - Director, Ad Valorem Division of Oklahoma Tax Commission

Agenda Item #1 – Call to order

Governor Stitt called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item #2 – Roll Call

Roll was called to establish a quorum.

<u>Agenda Item #3</u> – Announcement of filing of regular meeting and changed meeting notice and posting of the agenda in accordance with the Open Meeting Act.

Jon Dutton, Assistant Attorney General, announced that the State Board of Equalization had compiled with filing regular meeting notice and posting of agenda in accordance with the Open Meeting Act.

Agenda Item #4 – Disposition of June 17, 2024, minutes

Ms. Byrd moved to accept the minutes as presented. Mr. Walters seconded the motion. Roll call was taken, six "aye" and Ms. Arthur abstained. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #5 – Presentation and possible action regarding the 2024 Equalization Study submitted by the Oklahoma Tax Commission, Ad Valorem Division to the State Board of Equalization as required by 68 O.S. 2011, § 2864.

Mr. Hapgood presented the board with the annual equalization study on which the Ad Valorem Division of the Oklahoma Tax Commission reviewed constitutional and statutory requirements regarding value of real and personal property.

MR. DRUMMOND MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE OKLAHOMA TAX COMMISSION'S 2024 EQUALIZATION REPORT TO THE STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION UNDER 68 O.S. 2011, § 2864 AND CONTINUE SEQUOYAH COUNTY IN CATEGORY TWO NON-COMPLIANCE AND FIND MCCLAIN COUNTY TO BE IN CATEGORY ONE NON-COMPLIANCE BASED UPON DATA CONTAINED IN THE REPORT. Lt. Governor Pinnell seconded the motion. Roll call was taken, and all members present voted "aye". Motion carried.

Agenda Item #6 – Presentation, discussion, and possible action to accept the 2024 Performance Audit Report from Subcommittee Chairman, Cindy Byrd.

Ms. Byrd reported there were six Counties with a perfect score this year regarding the performance audit - Canadian, Comanche, Mayes, Oklahoma, Stephens and Wagoner Counties.

MS. BYRD MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE 2024 PERFORMANCE AUDIT RESULTS AND FIND THE 10 COUNTIES THAT DID NOT MEET THE REQUIRED POINTS THRESHOLD OF 140 POINTS FOR THIS YEAR. CHOCTAW, LEFLORE, MURRAY, OKFUSKEE, AND SEQUOYAH WILL BE IN CATEGORY ONE NON-COMPLIANCE. CADDO, HUGHES, MCCURTAIN, NOWATA AND OKMULGEE COUNTIES WILL BE IN CATEGORY TWO NON-COMPLIANCE AS PRESENTED IN THE MEMBERS PACKETS BASED UPON DATA CONTAINED IN THE REPORT AS PRESENTED BY THE AD VALOREM DIVISION OF OTC. Lt. Governor Pinnell seconded the motion. Roll call was taken, and all members present voted "aye". Motion carried.

MS. BYRD MADE A MOTION TO HAVE EACH BOARD MEMBER APPOINT A DESIGNEE TO EXTEND THE BOE SUBCOMMITTEE TO ASSIST WITH FUTURE CONCERNS THAT MAY ARISE WITH THE PERFORMANCE AUDIT. Ms. Arthur seconded the motion. Roll call was taken, and all members present voted "aye". Motion carried.

<u>Agenda Item #7</u> – Discussion and possible action on revisions to Equalization Performance Audit for future years.

Ms. Byrd presented information from the Oklahoma Assessor's Association which was approved in an BOE subcommittee meeting to increase the residential median from 85%-115% to 80%-120% for question 1a of the county ASSESSORS' performance audit.

LT. GOVERNOR PINNELL MADE A MOTION TO CHANGE QUESTION 1A OF THE PERFORMANCE AUDIT RESIDENTIAL MEDIAN FROM 85%-115% TO 80%-120%. Ms. Arthur seconded the motion. Roll call was taken, and all members present voted "aye". Motion carried.

Agenda Item #8 – Discussion and possible action to change Assessor fee schedule per 68 O.S. 2011 § 2864(f)

MS. BYRD, SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, STATED THE STATUTES REQUIRE THE BOARD TO REVIEW THE ASSESSOR FEE SCHEDULE EACH YEAR. AT THIS TIME THE ASSESSOR'S ASSOCIATION IS RECOMMENDING NO CHANGE TO THE ASSESSOR FEE SCHEDULE. NO ACTION IS REQUIRED BY THE BOARD AT THIS TIME.

Agenda Item #9 – Discussion and possible action for certification of fair cash values of additional Oklahoma taxable property of Enterprise Interstate Crude, LL (ADV-15347228-03) in the amount of \$9,460,518 and Kanokla Communications, LLC (ADV-10314030-05) in the amount of \$319,772 under 68 O.S. §2858 and § 2859.

LT. GOVERNOR PINNELL MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT CERTIFY FINDINGS OF THE OKLAHOMA TAX COMMISSION AS TO THE FAIR CASH VALUE OF ADDITIONAL OKLAHOMA TAXABLE PROPERTY OF ENTERPRISE INTERSTATE CRUDE, LLC (ADV-15347228-03) AND KANOKLA COMMUNICATIONS, LLC (ADV-10314030-05) UNDER 68 O.S. §2858 AND §2859. Mr. Walters seconded the motion. Roll call was taken, and all members present voted "aye. Motion carried.

<u>Agenda Item #10</u> – Discussion and possible action to waive the late filing penalty of Airespring, Inc. (ADV-102378018-10) in the amount of \$932, as assessed at the June 17, 2024, meeting, because the extension request was timely submitted.

Ms. Byrd made a motion to waive the late filing penalty for Airesping, Inc. (ADV-10237018-10) as recommended by the Oklahoma Tax Commission and Contained in the Report to the State Board of Equalization. Mr. Walters seconded the motion. Roll call was taken, and all members present voted "aye". Motion carried.

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MR. DRUMMOND MADE A MOTION TO CERTIFY AND APPROVE THE SETTLEMENT FOR WHITE CLIFFS PIPELINE, LLC (F551) (EQ-2024-25) AS CONTAINED IN THE REPORT TO THE STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION. Mr. Walters seconded the motion. Roll call was taken, and all members present voted "aye. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #11 – New Business – None

Agenda Item #12 – Adjournment

LT. GOVERNOR PINNELL MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN. Ms. Arthur seconded the motion. Governor Stitt declared the meeting adjourned.