The Clear Lake City Council met in special session as the Board of Equalization on Monday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Municipal Building with Mayor Gordon Lee presiding. Those present were Aldermen Gary Eide, Jamie Hintz, Carey Holt, Kris Moyer and Ellen Schmahl. Also present were Karen Harford, Don Ebbers and Ken Reiste. Alderman Tim Hulscher and School Board Representative Tony Quail were absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

The agenda for the meeting was presented for review. Motion by Eide, seconded by Holt, to approve the agenda as presented. All voted yes. Motion carried.

At this time the Board reviewed the 2016 Property Assessments within the City of Clear Lake. The following appeal was heard by the Board:

<u>No. 2016-01</u>: Rosalie Bauman requested that the current real estate value of \$109,291.00 on her property, Parcel #4172, located in Lot 10, Block 3 of McCraneys Addition to the City of Clear Lake, Deuel County, SD, be lowered. She stated the valued price was too high for the repairs needed, and the narrow lot and the fact that the home has no basement should decrease the value of the property. The Director of Equalization, after making an on-site inspection, provided a written recommendation to correct the value to \$105,555.00. Motion by Holt, seconded by Hintz, to accept the Director of Equalization's correction and lower the value to \$105,555.00. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Eide, seconded by Holt, to adjourn as the Board of Equalization and reconvene as the regular council. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Greg Maag, Economic Development Officer from First District Association of Local Governments, met with the council to review and identify critical infrastructure within the city, review proposed mitigation activities worksheets and identify potential projects, all part of updating the county Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan.

Tabled from the March 7<sup>th</sup> meeting, discussion was held on hiring extra off-duty law enforcement to cover the City during rodeo. No action taken.

Also tabled from March 7<sup>th</sup>, the council discussed additional security cameras to cover city property on the north end of main street. No action taken.

Comments were heard from the City Superintendent, Mayor and council members. Discussion on vandalism, litter and household garbage at the city parks, and citizen concerns with traffic congestion and safety on the west side of the school before and after school.

The Finance Officer advised that there will be no election. John Keimig filed a petition for the 3-year term in Ward II and will replace Alderman Hintz, who didn't file a petition. No petitions were filed for the offices of Mayor, Alderman Ward I, or the 2-year term in Ward II.

There being no other business, Alderman Schmahl made a motion to adjourn at 7:46 p.m., seconded by Eide. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Karen Harford Finance Officer

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