

**City of Hazen
Board of Equalization
April 12, 2016
Hazen City Hall**

Present: President Obenauer, Commissioner Brunmeier, Commissioner Stern and Commissioner Wolf.
Absent: Commissioner Haack
Others Present: Planner Frovarp, and Auditor Erhardt.

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM CT by President Obenauer.

Planner Frovarp informed the board that he had sent out notice of increase to 44 residents and further explained that the notices must be mailed if a property has increased in value greater than \$10,000 AND 3%. Planner Frovarp explained that the majority of the notices related to new construction and a few were for properties for which the two-year exemption period had expired. Planner Frovarp explained that the average increase for the city is roughly 9.2%. Planner Frovarp informed the board that he has not been contacted with regard to the notices of increase nor has he received any other questions with regard to the property assessments for the city. President Obenauer inquired as to anticipated changes for the next assessment period and Planner Frovarp feels there may be as many, or more, notices but it appears that the market is beginning to slow down a bit. Planner Frovarp explained that, in working with the County Tax Director and Vanguard, the city may have to make some adjustments to land values as they are quite low compared to sales in the city. There were no questions from the board for Planner Frovarp and no one from the public appeared for the meeting. Commissioner Wolf moved to approve the assessment recommendation, as presented, second by Commissioner Brunmeier. On roll call vote; Wolf, "Aye", Brunmeier, "Aye", Stern, "Aye", Obenauer, "Aye", motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 PM CT.

Approved: _____
Jerry Obenauer, President

Attest: _____
Monte J. Erhardt, Auditor