

Pine Lake Township Special Meeting

Equalization

July 2nd, 2024

- Special Meeting called to order, members present: Bob, Al, Pete and Sue
- Board called a special meeting to discuss Township Equalization Meeting versus Open Book Equalization
- Board is in favor of changing to Open Book Equalization Meeting; the rationale is:

-- The township equalization meeting happens in April. That is early for many snow bird residents. They must contact the county prior to the meeting.

-- The township does not have the authority to change tax issues. Taxpayers have the option to appeal to the county.

-- If taxpayers miss the township equalization meeting, they cannot appeal to the county.

-- Turning it over to the county gives taxpayers more time and saves them a step in the process.

- Al made a motion to pass a resolution to bypass the annual public Equalization Meeting and transfer power and duties to the Otter Tail County Assessors Board Open Book forum for 3 years.
- Pete seconded the motion. Resolution and Motion carried.
- **Adjournment:**
 - Al made a motion to adjourn, Pete seconded the motion. Motion carried.