

County begins tax protest hearings

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132 protests filed.

LEXINGTON—Letters sent to Dawson County landowners in advance of their 2010 valuation statements may have averted a large number of protests this summer.

County clerk Karla Zlatkovsky said despite a jump in agricultural land values this year, the number of residents filing property value protests has dropped.

County commissioners began hearing protests following their regular bimonthly meeting on July 1.

There were 132 protests filed this year from various property types across the county. That's down significantly from 213 in 2009.

That does not mean the commissioners will see 132 protestors over the next couple of weeks.

A single protest is filed for each parcel of land in question and one owner may be responsible for several parcels.

Decision letters will be sent by the county later this month.

In other county business, commissioners agreed a roof leak in the old jail building now used for records storage is dire

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