

Valley County Board Minutes



VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 26, 2018 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. Minutes of June 12 meeting were approved on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. DeRiso moved to adopt the agenda, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies available on counter. No public comment.

Road Secretary Simpson's June Road Claims Report included: Payroll \$43,586.04, Accounts Payable \$138,281.22, Highway Allocation \$74,573.01; larger expenses included final payment on motor grader, diesel, signs, parts, engine repair, chemicals, tires, gravel, rock.

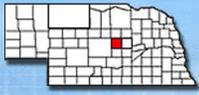
Meyer's General Report included: mulcher has helped roads, did not wash; road and shop audits with NIRMA this week, check safety and signs; County engineer will study tubes by Jim Duda; LB 1098 changes competitive sealed bidding process on value of purchases from \$20,000 to \$50,000. Sevenker spoke to State Sen. Briese about his lack of response to the copy of a letter sent to DOT about the County concerns for intersections on the Hwy 11 project, asked to have it emailed to him, have received no response, ethanol plant has not responded to DOT concepts for intersection. Gravel Bids were opened and read by Supt. Meyer at 9:30 a.m. in the order in which they were received. Bids were received from Jeffres Sand and Gravel Inc. and Ulrich Gravel Inc. Wes Ulrich was present. Jeffres' bid included: (bids per cubic yard) Class A Road Gravel \$10.15, 47B Windrow Gravel \$10.15, Armor Coat Gravel \$10.15, Sand \$4.75, Mud Rock \$20.00, De-Icing Gravel \$10.25, haul rates are \$80.00 per hour for straight truck and \$125 per hour for truck & pup, semi, belly dump, grain trailer. Ulrich's bid included: (bids per cubic yard) Gravel at pit \$10.00, cubic yard mile truck charge \$.32, Mud Rock \$20.00, Sand \$4.00, Ice/Salt Gravel \$9.80, 47B Gravel \$9.80, Armor Coat Gravel \$10.00, Shaker Rock \$16.50, haul rates min. \$2.75. A provision was added to the Gravel Contract to assess supplier a penalty for excessive wet products at a rate of \$35.00 per load to be reported by the driver. Following discussion, VanSlyke moved to accept the gravel bids from Ulrich and Jeffres, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer indicated that Jesse Hurt is still interest in the surveyor position; Meyer looked at the sidewalk west of the Courthouse, separating at seams, one panel arched, will break it out and determine what needs to be done.

Hospital CEO Nancy Glaubke and CFO Ashley Woodward presented the monthly Hospital report. Glaubke reported that there was a great turnout for the Health Fair, the Hospital Board officers were reelected; golf tournament is July 6; Larry Proskocil will be retiring after 22 years, Ben Young will replace him; pharmacy remodel almost done, repurposed some old cabinets from old hospital; one of 20 members of Heartland Alliance, pay \$6,000 per year for 3 years, offer stipend to a medical student if they work in rural hospital after graduation. Woodward reviewed the Fiscal Year 2019 Financial Budget: sleep studies have increased 11.1%, want to increase physical therapy and physician's clinic, OR continues to grow; gross patient revenue increased 2.9%, depreciation decrease makes income increase but is a noncash item so hurts cash flow, slight decrease in benefits, interest expense has decreased; net income below last 4 years; capital equipment is purchased and in time it is no longer supported so have to replace, will replace medication dispensing cabinet and portable x-ray machine, after 8 years things are breaking down.

DeRiso moved to approve Resolution 18-10 calling \$1,285,000 of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2013 for payment and redemption prior to maturity, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none

The Board reviewed the letter sent by Co. Atty. Hanson to Ken White requesting he submit an amended claim for back pay for care of K9 Vinny. Ken White attended to discuss a letter which was opened by Sevenker at the meeting concerning his claim; White gave up his personal dog to care for Vinny; Sheriff Hurlburt did not make effective a K9 policy during the 3 and a half years White was a handler; second proposal was for a 2 year compensation at \$18.50 pay rate for total of \$6,752.50, possession of K9 in good health and related equipment; Sheriff Hurlburt responded that the dog was given to him, have paid large vet bills, dog has been given to Custer Co. Sheriff; Hanson said the \$6,752.50 claim is reasonable. Cullers made the motion to compensate White \$6,752.50 for care of K9 Vinny,



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second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Co. Atty. Hanson reported that Stacie Gappa is doing well with child support enforcement, will be able to work fewer hours than planned.

Kristina Foth presented Valley County Tourism's Bi-Annual Report, new travel guide is available, promotes the region, 15,000 will be distributed, cost was \$32,000 but expenses paid mainly by advertisers, only \$3,000 of lodging tax proceeds utilized; lodging tax collections have increased significantly; website received 1,364 page views in 2017. Foth asked that the Lodging Tax Agreement be increased from \$6,000 to \$8,000 to allow the Chamber to utilize more of the lodging tax funds. Cullers moved to change the agreement between the Ord Area Chamber of Commerce and Valley County, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Meeting recessed at 11:00 a.m. and reconvened at 11:10 a.m. with all members present.

Jerad Reimers, liaison for Congressman Adrian Smith, reported that Smith is serving on House Administration and Ways and Means Committees, introduced Jacy Spenser who works with ag issues, both are in Grand Island office; Smith is working on the farm bill and the Jobs Act, wants to restructure so people want to go back to work instead of collecting benefits.

At 11:25 a.m., the Board of Equalization was convened on motion of Waldmann, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. The Assessor and Clerk were present.

Property Valuation Protest #2 from Simon and Garnett Walkowiak on Parcel #880013461, Michigan Twp/25, 320 acres in S2; 20-19-15, valued at \$745,855 land, \$22,555 buildings, was reviewed. Homeowner's written testimony noted: mainly on the house, no electricity, not livable. Requested valuation was \$745,855 land, \$3,515 buildings. Assessor's written testimony: Weren't able to inspect property because of the weather but the reason the house was valued is because they were renting property to Scott Boden, no electricity in the house, he ran an extension cord from the house to the light pole in the yard, he no longer lives there but trashed the house, Garnett said forgot to put on the protest form there was no furnace either. Assessor's written recommendation: put it back to salvage value at \$2.00 a square foot as it is not livable, makes the house \$1,665 and two outbuildings \$1,850 for total value on improvements of \$3,515 and the land \$745,855 for total of \$749,370. Following discussion, Waldmann moved to accept the Assessor's recommendation, Cullers second. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Two properties receiving Notices of Valuation Change were reviewed, Viaero retail stores will be taxed this year, towers centrally assessed. Waldmann moved to approve the Notices of 2018 Valuation Change, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

The Board moved out of Board of Equalization at 11:30 a.m. on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

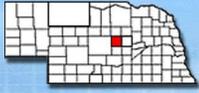
The listing of Board Appointments was reviewed, Planning and Zoning Administrator Sheri Goodrich is compiling the information for the Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment. The 5-Year revision deadlines for LEOPs were also reviewed.

Following review, Cullers moved to approve the June claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$558,683.82, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

The Budget time-line was reviewed. August 13 at 7:00 p.m. was set as the meeting date to discuss County offices and subdivision requests and propose cuts on motion of Baker, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

VanSlyke made the motion to reappoint Pat Waldmann to a 3 year term on the Valley County Economic Development Board, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Abstain: Waldmann. Absent: none.

Committee Reports: Cullers reported for Region 3, from July 2017 to May 2018 only one person from Valley County served, would have cost County \$72,420 if not using Region 3 for services; VanSlyke reported that the Region



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26 assessment would have increased by \$13,000 if still dispatching for Ord City Police, the proposed budget assessment for Valley County dropped from \$96,477 to \$56,970, Cetak reported that Mid-Nebraska is doing well.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m., to reconvene as Board of Equalization on July 9 at 7:00 p.m. if necessary to hear property valuation protests, and on July 10, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the June 26 meeting and an agenda for the July 10 meeting is available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes of the June 26 meeting are also available on the County website (www.co.valley.ne.us).

I, the undersigned County Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the County Board, that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that said minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

Paula Musil, Valley County Clerk