

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, April 30, 2019 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; absent Baker (excused). Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. The minutes of April 9, 2019 meeting were approved on the motion of DeRiso, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Baker. The Agenda was adopted on the motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Baker. Sevenker noted posting of Open Meetings Act on west wall, public copies available. No public comment.

The Claims and Fund Request were reviewed, claims for the Jail should not be coded in the Sheriff's budget, County Attorney claims for sheriff's fees are service fees. DeRiso moved to approve the Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$269,308.30, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Road Secretary Simpson reported April Claims & Balances: accounts payable \$45,343.77, payroll \$44,416.90; received \$69,065.75 highway allocation and \$17,629.30 Motor Vehicle Fees; \$6,028.61 was transferred from the General Fund; larger claims were culvert, diesel, crushed concrete, de-ice gravel, waste rock, parts; Buyback account is at \$357,025.40, which must be used for roads and bridges; budget at 70.5%.

On recommendation of Road Superintendent Meyer, Cetak moved to approve Easement 19-429 for Leslie Sikyta, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker. Bids will be taken for the replacement of a bridge north of North Loup and one east of North Loup using funds from the Bridge Match Program. Bids are also being taken for bridge materials and culvert materials for 5 sites, two for the bridge match program, 2 by Arcadia and 1 on pit road. The bridge and culvert bid opening date and time was set for May 28 at 10:00 a.m., on motion of VanSlyke, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Meyer's General Report included: the FEMA scoping meeting with the Program Manager will be May 7, damage report must include all damages; need environmental clearance to move dirt on Federal Aid Roads; maintaining roads; fixing flood damage, have received offers of dirt, dirt very wet; spray roads; using temporary employees.

Weed Superintendent Kaminski and State Inspector Dave Boshalt were present with the 2018 Reports and Requirements, will close 3-4 open files, closed if infestation controlled for 3 years, more people spraying, leafy spurge continues to be a problem.

VCHS CEO Glaubke and CFO Woodward presented their monthly report. Glaubke offered thanks for the Wozab funds, Carol Schroeder received the rural practitioner award, no information concerning the purchase of the nursing home. Woodward will discuss the refinancing of Series 2014 Bonds with the Board in May, in the best interest to refinance; reviewed the financials: acute down, swing bed up, radiology up, hospice up, revenue below budget, salaries below budget, benefits down, supplies down, net income \$197,332, cash on hand to cover 321 days; working on budget.

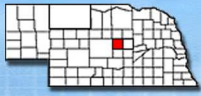
Baker arrived at 10:10 a.m.

Kristina Foth with Valley County Tourism reported that the Tourism Committee will be expanded from 5 members to 7 members, Jane John's term on the Board will end in May. Baker moved to expand the Tourism Committee to 7 members, reappoint Jane John to the Committee and appoint Tylr Naprstek and Caleb Pollard to the Committee, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Trevor Lee, Economic Development, reported that the average valuation of improvements at the Mortensen Industrial Site is \$204,659; need to have all requirements for leasing a lot in one document that can be handed to a potential renter, improvements with a minimum of \$100,000 assessed value and have at least 1 full time employee, will ask County Attorney to draft a list.

Meeting recessed at 10:35 a.m. and reconvened at 10:45 a.m. with all members present.

Sheriff Hurlburt presented the Arcadia Law Enforcement Agreement approved by the Arcadia Village Board for renewal as of May 1, the agreement will be for 4 years ending on April 30, 2023 with an annual fee of \$32,500.



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VanSlyke made the motion to approve the agreement, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Attorney Brandon Hanson related that the inheritance tax appeal is scheduled for argument to the NE Court of Appeals on May 15 in North Platte, will represent the County at a minimal cost.

Marc Munford, Ameritas, discussed a resolution to allow the County to be reimbursed for expenditures for repairing flood damage to the roads from the proceeds of debt obligations up to \$1,500,000; a Highway Allocation GANs (Grant Anticipation Notes) was presented as an alternate form of funding rather than a Bond, note is issued and County only pays interest while waiting for FEMA funds, use the FEMA grant to pay down the note, refinance to a bond for any remaining amount, if no grant is received will refinance to a Bond. Waldmann moved to approve Resolution 19-09 to reimburse capital expenditures from the proceeds of tax-exempt or tax-favored debt obligations, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

County Attorney Clark presented a draft of the County Burial Policy; revisions discussed were to offer cremation only, request an itemized statement from the funeral home, Board will decide upon application if payment is made; will present revisions at next Board meeting. Clark will be out of the country from June 9-16, will appoint Glenn Clark as the Deputy County Attorney for that time; will work on revising the County Personnel Policy; DNA tests costing \$3,000 will be needed in the prosecution of a case.

Planning and Zoning Administrator Goodrich informed the Board that the construction of a lagoon for Lean Line Pork will require a County zoning permit, will obtain a letter of opinion from an engineer regarding the potential impact to neighboring properties before granting the permit; property has an active mapped flood plain through the premise; the NE Department of Environmental Quality deems project is necessary for compliance issues related to potential and past discharges; Goodrich will respond to NDEQ with her review and findings.

DeRiso will discuss replacement of fences on the East County Farm and debris cleanup with the renter James Knapp. It was noted that the County Board of Equalization Workshop will be June 5 and the County Board Workshop will be June 5-7 at the Holiday Inn in Kearney.

Baker made the motion to allow the Valley Rods Unlimited Car Club to use the Courthouse restroom facilities on Father's Day June 16 for the 44th Annual Father's Day Auto Show, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Since by statute the deadline for political subdivisions subject to county levy to submit preliminary levy requests is August 1 and the Assessor does not certify valuations to the Clerk until August 20, the County budget process will not be moved up a month this year. The County can apply to host one or more flood Recovery Serviceship UNL students to assist with flood recovery. NACO is partnering with D.A. Davidson to assemble a financing program to assist NE counties with financing of road and bridge repairs.

Cullers moved to cast a vote for Alma Beland for election to the NE Regional Interoperability Network Board of Directors, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

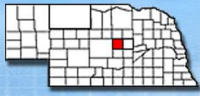
NEMA/FEMA is hosting a conference call on Thursday, May 2 for local officials regarding the FEMA Public Assistance program. A letter was received from NACO concerning the NACO Group Health Insurance pool. NACO will host County Budget Workshops in North Platte on June 26 and York on June 27, Cullers will attend. The NE Masonry Alliance and History Nebraska will host workshops on May 6-7 and May 8-9 at the Wayne County Courthouse to provide re-pointing training, Custodian Vanek will attend.

Sevenker mentioned the need to have the cameras installed at the entrances of the Courthouse. Cullers reported on the NIRMA seminar on Personnel Management & Employment Practices that she attended.

Mail Folder items: Wozab Thank You Notes

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m., to reconvene on Tuesday, May 14 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the April 30 meeting and an agenda for the May 14 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes 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;



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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