



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, November 12, 2019 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present. The Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. DeRiso moved to approve the October 29, 2019 minutes, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. The agenda was adopted on motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted the Open Meetings Act is posted and public copies are available. No public comment.

Extension Educator Kayla Hinrichs presented an Extension Board Application from Natalie Kovarik for a 3 year term on the Central IV Area Extension Board. After reviewing the application Cetak moved to appoint Kovarik; second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Rooms and registrations for the December NACO convention must be canceled by November 27 to avoid fees. A color flier listing the lease terms for a Mortensen Development site designed by Amber Whited was reviewed.

Baker moved to sign Resolution 19-23 authorizing the County Board Chairman to sign the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent Form 2019, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

Road Superintendent Meyer's General Report included: White bridge is partially finished, must maintain a temperature above 50 degrees for 72 hours after concrete is poured, inspects site every two days; maintaining roads; treated paved roads after recent snow; fixing roads; installing culverts; hauling dirt; no resolution with Hooker Brothers concerning dirt taken from County right-of-way without permission; working on minimum maintenance roads; mowing roadsides; will start bridge inspections. A letter will be sent to NDOT concerning the unsafe intersection at Ashton Ave. and Hwy. 11 west of North Loup.

Meeting recessed at 10:05 a.m. and reconvened at 10:15 a.m. with all members present.

DeRiso made the motion to sign the Hospital License Renewal Application, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

Treasurer Suminski presented the Month End Fund Report: General Fund balance \$54,119.94, Road \$776,215.06, Relief \$53,286.59, Inheritance \$461,776.53, total collected \$652,900. Pledge security was released for First National Bank. Distress Warrants were delivered to the Sheriff for collection, 27 Warrants for a total of \$13,440.52. Each County has been asked to raise \$125 for the One Heart Campaign to celebrate the 125th NACO conference to be presented to the staff of the Younes Center for their commitment to ensuring the venue is ready for the conference, discussion of the fundraiser was continued to the next Board meeting after concerns were expressed at recipient of money. The Misc. Receipts Folder was available for review.

The County Clerk and Clerk of District Court monthly fee reports were reviewed.

Rates for the Colonial Life Group Medical Bridge were reviewed, will discuss at next meeting. A memo from Dustin Will, Benefit Management, reported continued conversations with Blue Cross about adjusting their offer for County health insurance coverage, no counter offer to original renewal; considering recommendation to move plan to United Healthcare; having conversations with employees currently on County plan that are Medicare eligible about transitioning to Medicare; will survey employees to provide feedback on choice of options if full family coverage was offered; will attend November 26 Board meeting.

The Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$28,235.09 were approved on motion of Cullers, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

The December 31 Board meeting will not be changed to a different date. Cullers will talk to Road Department Secretary Simpson about starting the process for NDOT reimbursement for flood damage. Grant applications awarding \$2.2 million are being accepted by the USDA for recovery from flood damages, eligible applicants include municipalities, public bodies, nonprofit organizations and federally recognized Native American tribes in rural areas with a population of 20,000 or less; Cullers will look into the grant. A letter from NE Attorney General Doug Peterson regarding the status of the national litigation against opioid manufacturers and distributors was reviewed.



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County Attorney Clark reported there will be a mock trial for County Government Day on November 26. Clark received a certified letter from Frontier advising that employees of Valley County damaged a Frontier cable while replacing a culvert.

Cullers made a motion to designate the Ord Quiz and Grand Island Independent as official County newspapers for 2020, Waldmann second. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

VanSlyke moved to appoint Treasurer Suminski to act as the County designee for the election of NACO officers if County Board Chair Sevenker is not available, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Mail Folder items: Re-Cap.

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m., to reconvene on November 26, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the November 12 meeting and an agenda for the November 26 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and 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