



Valley County Board Minutes



VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 11, 2021 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 in the Ord Quiz on April 21, 2021 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. The April 27 minutes were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Agenda adopted on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Chairman Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies available on counter. No public comment.

On recommendation of Road Superintendent Meyer, VanSlyke moved to approve Easement 21-444 for Janice Brown, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer's General Report included: finished installing culvert on Sargent Ord Road; spraying weeds; will start work on culvert by Darrell Cox; will mix asphalt; road crew fully staffed for first time in 18 months; new signs required for minimum maintenance roads, concerned with public safety, insurance premium based on risk.

Weed Superintendent Kaminski reviewed the Nebraska Department of Agriculture Reports and Requirements; no uncontrolled noxious weeds found, 11 open files, all required reports and documentation in order, infestation did not add up correctly, control plan complete; 50 points off for each open file; burning controls cedar but not spurge. Cullers moved to sign the Reports and Requirements Summary, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Kristina Foth, Valley County Economic Development, presented the Interlocal Agreement Review; growth of local tax base, 81% growth in 2018-2019 from 2004-2005 in Ord; growth in employment; 1 % of 7.5¢ Ord sales tax rate goes to economic development; will be in North Loup and Arcadia one day a month.

Sheriff Hurlburt presented the quarterly report for January, February, March and April. Hurlburt explained that GALLS supplies police uniforms and equipment, sold Dodge pickup for \$21,000 and purchased 2018 Dodge car for \$17,100, set-up for K9 unit, will receive free a fully trained drug dog, handler will have a contract; more meth in Nebraska, dog is a deterrent to drug dealers; there is no place in Nebraska for those needing mental health help.

Meeting recessed at 10:30 a.m., reconvened at 10:35 a.m. with all members present.

Aaron Gothier from Liberty National requested to meet with employees to present accidental death coverage for a one year term and a discount card for vision, hearing, chiropractic services and prescription drugs at no cost to employee and no cost to employer; also offers other life insurance which would be a payroll deduction. The Board requested additional information.

At 11:00 a.m., the Board of Equalization convened on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. The Clerk and Assessor were present.

The dates to hear Property Valuation protests were set as requested, June 29 (11:00 a.m.), July 12 (7:00 p.m.), July 13 (11:00 a.m.) and July 20 (7:00 p.m.), on motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Tax List Correction #3880 for G3 Contracting Inc due to clerical error by accountant and assessor was approved on motion of Baker, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. The Notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemption for Dean Gross due to death prior to August 15 deadline was approved on the motion of Waldmann, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

The Board moved back into regular session on motion of Cetak, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

Treasurer Brott presented the Fund Balance Report for April, noting \$1,098,551.98 General, \$513,738.63 Road, \$143,400.91 Inheritance, \$124,347.09 Debt Service (bonds), \$5,041,338 total collected. Additional Pledge Security to cover taxes collected was obtained from Federal Home Loan Banks and Federal National Mtg Assn. Brott will be



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opening a new account for funds received from the American Rescue Plan Act for Local Coronavirus Fiscal Recovery, has to be in an interest bearing account, if funds are not used will have to be returned along with interest.

The monthly report for the Clerk of District Court was reviewed, will review the Clerk report at the next meeting.

The following informational items were reviewed: NACO Board of Equalization Workshop, NACO County Board Workshop agenda and NDEE Notice of Application for Major Modification for Shoemaker Farms, Inc. Animal Feeding Operation. Cullers will present information at the next meeting about refunding the County Bonds.

Following review, VanSlyke moved to approve the claims and fund request in the amount of \$29,843.09, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

VanSlyke will speak to Doug Griess about reappointment to the Veterans Service Committee. Region 26 Council minutes were reviewed, VanSlyke checking on reason for increase of assessment from \$59,000 to \$68,000.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a. m., to reconvene on May 25, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the May 11 meeting and an agenda for the May 25 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; 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