

# Valley County Board Minutes



## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in special session at 7:00 p.m., Monday, August 9, 2021 in their Courthouse meeting room to consider the FY 21-22 budget and subdivision levy authority requests. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; absent Baker. Clerk verified meeting notice published in the Ord Quiz on July 21, 2021 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. Agenda adopted on motion of DeRiso, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Baker. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted; public copies available. No public comment. Baker arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Accountant Chuck Abel reviewed the budget information presented at the July 27 Board meeting; County cash balance is up due to ARPA and NEMA funds received; based on requested funds and estimated receipts the General Fund would be negative \$1,171,745 if all requests were spent, usually do not spend entire budget. Preliminary County valuation is 883,537,412; last year 904,853,037.

Subdivision Levy requests were reviewed. Mike Wells attended to speak for Twin Loups Reclamation, asking the same as last year, Valley County has the highest levy in the district, determines the amount received, Valley County's share \$13,000. Mark Knight stated the Loup Valley Ag Society request has been the same amount for several years. Kristi Hagstrom, Ord Township Library Director reported if the \$120,000 request is approved there will be no need to call a town hall meeting to override the levy. Cullers moved to allow the levy allocation request of \$120,000 for Ord Township, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, Cullers, Waldmann, Cetak. No: VanSlyke, Baker, DeRiso. Absent: none. Subdivision levies will be set and approved at the Board meeting August 10.

Weed Superintendent Darrell Kaminski was present to discuss his budget; asking for salary increase; mileage allowance down. Treasurer Brott kept the amount for a parttime position if needed; largest increase to deputy salary, has to receive 65% of official's salary, request over 65%.

Danny Vanek added to Courthouse Remodeling to replace the windows in the Sheriff's office, Building Repair and Grounds Repair line increased to repair the sidewalk and steps on the west side. Planning and Zoning administrator Sheri Goodrich would like new maps, wants to pay AgPro for the use of their office and computer.

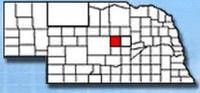
Road Superintendent Meyer was present to discuss the Road budget; increase of \$65,000; increased parts line, taking from one vehicle to put on another so can continue to operate; have been stock piling for special bridge and street projects; cost of gravel has increased; one employee will be retiring. County Attorney Hanson pointed out IVD received \$37,000 in reimburse from the State.

Sheriff Hurlburt and Office Manager Ashley Eley reported due to COVID decrease of spending for groceries, medical and Petty Cash last year; \$6,500 for purchase of drug dog and \$6,000 for kennel, handler has signed a 5 year contract; drugs are increasing in County; officers have to be certified before even driving a vehicle.

County Clerk Musil reported that the Clerk's budget increase was for salaries; Election Commissioner budget increase for publishing costs, added mileage allowance; Register of Deeds Preservation Fund by statute has to be spent for modernization or preservation of the Register of Deeds. The other budget requests were reviewed; Assessor's regular time salary is for two employees, Agricultural Extension Agent budget includes mileage expense for four Counties, Valley County reimbursed by other Counties, clerical increased 5%, Cullers will speak to Kayla Hinrichs; Veterans Service Officer increase for new computers and more training for new Veterans Service Officer; discussed need for two emergency managers, Sevenker will inquire; Clerk Musil will look into Public Defender Costs.

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m., to reconvene on August 10, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the August 9 meeting and the agenda for the August 10 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](http://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



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Paula Musil, Valley County Clerk