

# Valley County Board Minutes



## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session in their Courthouse meeting room on Tuesday, August 10, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; absent none. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. Minutes of July 27 meeting were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Abstain: Sevenker, not present for meeting. Agenda adopted on motion of Cullers, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted; public copies available on counter. No Public Comment.

On recommendation of Road Superintendent Meyer, VanSlyke moved to approve Easement 21-448 for JNR Farms, Inc Jim and Rita Shoemaker, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer's general report included: finished overlay on Comstock road; finished culvert by Hackel's; overlaying additional area of Comstock road; if have time will work on Fort Road; traffic paint in short supply, 10 weeks out, will try another company.

Kristi Hagstrom, Director Ord Township Library, presented a report; fully accredited; four staff members; 20,031 items in the collection; Library Programs include Summer Reading Program, Story Time, Homework Hour, Art Classes, Movies, Lego Club, Make Christmas Happen; Events hosted include Annual Book Sale, participate in National Night Out, host Countdown to Christmas, Social Security Workshops, community meeting space; during pandemic offered curbside service, appointments for college student for internet access, meeting location for child visitation appointments, Summer Reading kits, Read at the park or recorded reading of books via You Tube for preschoolers; Library also used for reading newspaper, networking, genealogical researching, job hunting, studying, social interacting.

Treasurer Brott presented the Fund Balance Report for July, balance of \$513,383.68 General, \$336,983.32 Road, \$172,717.96 Inheritance, \$133,960.72 Bond; total collected for the month \$359,888. Brott presented the Annual Distress Warrant Report for FY 2020/2021: Sheriff received 31 Distress Warrants, 18 returned satisfied and 4 paid to the Treasurer's Office, collected \$7,676.80 which was turned over to the Treasurer. The remaining 9 Distress Warrants have been returned not satisfied: David & Stephanie Wood, unable to locate; Nicole Fauss, no response; Warren Glinsman, no response; H3 B3 Construction, unable to locate; Kylan & Jayna Iwanski, unable to locate, paid to Treasurer; Chris Lightford, no response; Raymond Maly, no response; RF Well Service, no response; Schmidt Holdings, no response. Will not strike any Distress Warrants, will keep trying to collect. Misc. Receipt Folder available.

County Clerk Reports for May, June and July and Clerk of the District Court Fee Report for July were reviewed.

County Attorney Hanson report there will be no jury trials in September, continued to January; will start tax foreclosure on Russ Ballou; Sheriff's office has been busy.

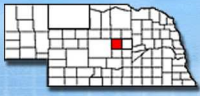
Board decided to put the pallet of bricks removed from the sidewalk area on the north side of the Courthouse on the Silent Auction to tentatively be held in September, will decide date at next meeting.

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

The ARPA interim report is due August 31, 2021 covering spending from date County received Recovery Funds to July 31, 2021. VanSlyke reported Region 26 is trying to determine if COVID funds can be used to pay some of the County assessments, increased wages, Sherman and Valley Counties believe wages should be part of the basis for the assessment, reminder of Region 26 meeting on August 31 on next meeting.

Clerk Musil reported redistricting is required by law; tried to call all the GIS vendors for redistricting; could not reach some and others were not interested in presenting a proposal; UNO proposed to develop digital map files, import 2010 census population data, import 2020 census population data, analyze equality of total population by Supervisor boundaries; prepare 3 suggestions for boundary changes, prepare physical and legal description of boundaries and digital and static map files, estimated project cost \$3,510. Cullers moved to approve UNO Agreement for redistricting, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: Baker. Absent: none.

Ed Knott from Applied Connective discussed email security and managing a firewall; installed and supports phone system; not involved with IT support; State owned equipment has firewall managed by OCIO; need management of firewall for County owned equipment; help Counties set up email domain; Secretary of State wants Counties to register a domain; Microsoft Exchange provides an email platform; charge of \$288.75 monthly for email service and one-



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time fee of \$1,750 to set up service; Secretary of State wants a managed and monitored firewall; charge of \$300 monthly for Ninja system and one-time fee of \$1,200 to set up service. Baker moved to accept both recommendations, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

The Board moved into Board of Equalization at 11:15 a.m. on motion of DeRiso, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. The Assessor and Clerk were present.

Baker moved to approve Tax List Corrections 3886, 3887 and 3888 for GreenAmerica Biofuels Ord LLC due to sale of business, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. The Notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemption for Everett Lech due to death was approved on the motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

The Board moved out of BOE at 11:20 a.m. on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

DeRiso moved to approve Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$29,843.09, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

The following informational items were reviewed: NACO Benefit Services and nominations for NACO Secretary/Treasurer.

Resolution 21-16 authorizing the subdivision levy requests was approved on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

Baker moved to set the budget hearing on September 14, 2021 at 9:00 a.m., Board of Supervisors meeting at 9:15 a.m. and the Special Hearing to Set Final Tax Request at 9:20 a.m., second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Committee Reports: Waldmann reported that Kristina Foth and Katie Walmsley will serve as Co-Directors of Valley County Economic Development and Ord Area Chamber of Commerce; Dan Piskorski will serve as the Treasurer.

The meeting recessed at 11:55 a.m. and reconvene at 1:05 p.m. with Baker absent. Executive Director of Central Nebraska Economic Development District Judy Petersen, Ord City Clerk Sandy Kruml, Co-Directors of Valley County Economic Development Kristina Foth and Katie Walmsley, and Melanie Flynn of Loup Valley Childhood initiative and Valley Community Foundation Fund were also present. Petersen stated everyone is trying to figure out how to use the ARPA funds; participated in webinar about childcare, can use funds under capital improvement to update publicly owned existing facility, can use under negative economic impact as back to work incentive, if County can document lost revenue can build a new facility; loan or grant to an existing childcare facility; need to use revenue loss calculator to determine if the County had a loss of revenue; discussion of how everyone can work together to determine how to use the funds; quarterly reports will be due. Peterson agreed to continue to help the County navigate the process of utilizing the funds.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m., to reconvene on August 31, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the August 10, 2021 meeting and an agenda for the August 31 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 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.

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Paula Musil, Valley County Clerk