

# 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, March 29, 2022 in the Courthouse Boardroom. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present. Clerk verified meeting notice published in the Ord Quiz on February 16, 2022 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. The minutes of the March 8 meeting were approved on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. Cullers moved to adopt the agenda, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted; public copies available on counter. No public comment offered.

Road Secretary Simpson gave the Road Claims & Balances Report for March: Accounts Payable \$342,839.51, Payroll \$54,661.93, Transfer \$312,173.95; larger expenses were reviewed: culvert, motor grader, oil, diesel, parts, labor; received highway allocation of \$84,438.48.

At 9:15 a.m., the public hearing on the One and Six Year Road Plans was opened. No member of public in attendance. Form 11 Report of Previous Year Projects, projects not finished moved to 2022 One-Year Plan; Form 8 Summary of One-Year Plan, unfinished projects from Form 11 with addition of a few projects, summary of projects hope to get done. Road Superintendent Meyer explained a culvert will replace a bridge on the Sargent-Ord Road, cost of bridge \$600,000, cost of culvert \$80,000; will piggyback off of the Custer County asphalt oil bid to overlay South Avenue this summer; may use mastic seal on Fort Road instead of overlaying; replacing bridges will depend on cost and availability of steel. Form 9 Summary of Six-Year Plan, can move projects from Six Year Plan to One Year Plan. Hearing was closed by Sevenker at 9:25 a.m. The Affidavit certifying the hearing on the One and Six Year Highway and Street Improvement Plan was signed by the members of the Board. Cetak moved to approve Resolution 22-5 adopting the One and Six Year Road Plans, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

No need to adopt Resolution 22-8 to transfer funds from the Inheritance Fund to the Road Fund or the General Fund after the budget is amended because there is enough in the General Fund to purchase the motor grader, will transfer funds from the ARPA Fund to the General Fund to reimburse for the purchase of the motor grader after the Budget is amended. VanSlyke made the motion to set the Bridge Bid Letting for April 26 at 9:15 a.m., second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

On recommendation of Meyer, Baker moved to approve Easements 22-452 and 22-453 for Norman Bredthauer and 22-454 for Anthony McCarville, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Meyer's General Report included: installing bridge; maintaining roads; using tree grinder in ditches.

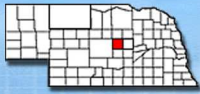
In response to a question from Sevenker, Hospital CEO Nancy Glaubke stated masks and COVID vaccines are mandated in a healthcare setting; the cost of the MRI is \$1.5 million, including the rental of a mobile machine while the new one is installed, rental \$11,000 a week; a new ambulance costs \$324,000, seeking USDA grant. CFO Ashley Woodward presented the financial information: acute days up; swingbed down; ER up; lab down; radiology up; outpatient up; hospice down; home health down; clinic up; gross patient revenue down; benefits up; contract services up; gain for month; cash on hand 202 days; single audit for COVID funds.

County Attorney Hanson reported the plea deal in the Privoznik-Bloom case was accepted, plead no contest to manslaughter, sentencing in June; talking to Mark DeDiana from Lutz about grant requirements and parameters for ARPA funds.

Jerad Reimers from Congressman Adrian Smith's office answered questions about the Veterans Administration, funded through committees in Congress, Congressman Smith not on any of the committees, funding voted on by whole Senate and House, one of two agencies still working remotely, under staffed by 15%; Reimers held a mobile office in the Courthouse lobby.

Meeting recessed at 10:40 a.m. and reconvened at 10:55 a.m. with all members present.

Sheriff Hurlburt and Office Manager Eley presented information about the purchase of a patrol vehicle, two orders for new vehicle have been cancelled, two years before will be available, took bids for used vehicle, will purchase 2020 for \$29,600, will sell 2017 for \$22,500, would like to use \$22,500 and additional \$7,100 from Sheriff's budget to pay for patrol, will handle through claims process.



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At 11:05 a.m. the Board of Equalization was convened on motion of DeRiso, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. The Clerk and Assessor were present.

Tax List Correction #3896 for LMD3, LLC due to clerical error was approved on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

The Board moved back into regular session at 11:10 a.m. on motion of Baker, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Treasurer Brott presented the Fund Balance Report for February, \$527,911.90 General, \$300,747.28 Road, \$217,313.80 Inheritance, \$69,313.80 Debt Serv. (bonds). The following items regarding the tax sale were presented: the annual Certification closing the tax sale, list of taxes sold at the sale and annual notice of delinquent taxes/assessments. Brott noted that 20 certificates were sold for \$37,947.17, tax sale fees of \$400.00 and registration fees of \$200 were collected; any delinquent properties not bought by the tax sale companies will go on County Tax Sale Certificates. Baker moved to sign Resolution 22-6 directing the County Treasurer to place Tax Sale Certificates on all delinquent taxes and city assessments for 2020 and prior, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Five Tax Sale Certificates are due for foreclosure. Resolution 22-7 directing the County Attorney to foreclose on delinquent real estate taxes, assessments, etc., was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Performance standards for the Coronavirus State and Local fiscal Recovery Funds will be discussed at the next meeting.

The following informational items were reviewed: NACO County Budget Workshop May 5 in Ogallala and 12 in Norfolk, NIRMA Cyber Security Regional Seminars April 13-22, VFW Department of Nebraska Nomination for Veterans Service Officer of the Year, NDOT Federal Infrastructure Webinar March 30, NACO 2021 Outstanding County Board Member of Year Nominations, Region 26 Council minutes and KC Pawling new NIRMA Loss Prevention Team member.

Following review Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$894,603.23 were approved on motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Cullers reported a local attorney had asked about the delay in paying some court claims, orders from the Judge to pay the claims received too late to include in February's claims so will be paid in March; also inquired why another attorney had not received payment for one month, attorney had not informed the payroll department that the address had changed until after the check was sent, check was returned by Post Office.

February District Court Fees and Fines Report was reviewed, invoice received from Administrative Office of the Courts for March in amount of \$1,157.08 per Ex-officio Agreement, position was staffed about half of the 40 hours as stated in the Agreement, will speak to the Office of the Courts.

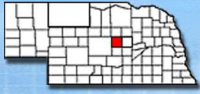
Valley County will be the host for the NACO Fall Central District Meeting on September 15, Leadership Center in Aurora was chosen as the venue for the meeting. The Audit for fiscal year 2020-2021 was reviewed, Audit Notice will be published. The Wozab distributions selected by the County Board sitting as the Wozab Advisory Board on March 28 were reviewed. Baker moved to approve the Wozab Grant distributions in the amount of \$28,350, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Abstain: Cetak, not present at Wozab meeting. Absent: none.

Sevenker reported for the Building Grounds Committee, the green barrel on the Courthouse lawn fell off a truck and was placed on the lawn until picked up, has been removed from the lawn.

Mail Folder items: none.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m., to reconvene on April 12, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the March 29 meeting and an agenda for the April 12 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



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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