



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, April 26, 2022 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 March 16, 2022 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. The minutes of April 12, 2022 meeting were approved on the motion of DeRiso, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. The Agenda was adopted on the motion of Waldmann, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies available on counter. No public comment.

Road Secretary Simpson reported April Claims & Balances: accounts payable \$53,937.79, payroll \$54,684.43; received \$74,447.20 highway allocation and \$18,869.92 Motor Vehicle Fees; Transfer \$10,415.00; larger claims were reviewed: tank, diesel, flowable fill, parts, labor, bareground chemical; Buyback account is at \$261,940.07, which must be used for roads and bridges.

On recommendation of Road Superintendent Meyer, Cetak moved to approve Easements 22-457 for Judi Welniak, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer's General Report included: finished installing culvert on Sargent Ord Road, road open; will start milling South Ave; motor grader sold for \$59,000 on Auction Time, going to Thailand, other surplus motor grader for sale on Auction Time; hauling 47B; stockpiling gravel; blading roads; try to do business locally.

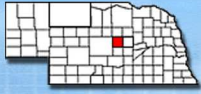
At 9:15 a.m., the public hearing on the Bridge Bid Letting to replace two structures was opened. Bids were opened and read by Alex from Oak Creek Engineering in the order in which they were received. Bids were received from Hoebet Excavating, Thiesen Construction, Midwest Infrastructure and Simon Contracting. Representatives from each company were present. Hoebet's bid: Structure 1705 \$225,363.33 and Structure 2720 \$386,464.63. Thiesen's bid: Structure 1705 \$373,231.76 and Structure 2720 \$556,331.46. Midwest's bid: Structure 1705 \$389,290.07 and Structure 2720 \$573,355.04. Simon's bid: Structure 1705 \$350,000 and Structure 2720 \$534,000. Engineer's estimate for Structure 1705 was \$330,000 and Structure 2720 \$535,000. The apparent low bidder was Hoebet. The bids will be reviewed by Alex from Oak Creek Engineering and Meyer and awarded at the May 11 meeting. Sevenker closed the Public Hearing at 9:25 a.m. VanSlyke moved to accept the bids, second Cullers. Carried. VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Weed Superintendent Kaminski reviewed the Nebraska Department of Agriculture Reports and Requirements; survey sections randomly chosen, all required reports and documentation in order, control plan complete; 11 open files, 50 points off for each open file, files closed after three years of control, can be inspected again, areas controlled but some regrowth. LB805 provides \$2.7 million in funds for 93 Counties to control weeds on rivers, requested \$8,300. Do not have a good herbicide for control of spurge, Method works if label followed. VanSlyke moved to sign Reports and Requirements Summary, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

CEO Nancy Glaubke and CFO Ashley Woodward presented the monthly hospital report. Glaubke reported Hospital Board approved the purchase of the MRI; new electronic billboard; held Open House in Loup City for Bob Reilly's retirement in April. Woodward presented the financial information: working on budget, volume down, ER up, CT up, labs reflecting lower dollar tests, hospice down, clinic up, home health down, Medicare down, benefits up, contract services up, cash increase, \$26,000 income loss, received \$3,000 worker training grant and \$50,000 capital grant, no bonds payable.

Meeting recessed at 10:15 a.m. and reconvened at 10:25 a.m. with all members present.

County Attorney Hanson presented a Memorandum of Understanding to be signed by Valley County and Linda and Paul Horner and Linda's Preschool, LLC concerning the \$400,000 APRA Funds grant. Attorney Tom Kruml stated the daycare is a huge deal for the area and thanked the Board for the APRA funds. The Board of Supervisors will sign the MOU after the other parties have signed. There will be no trials in May, plea deals accepted or trial moved to September, tries to make penalty on the harder but fair side as a deterrent, looks at criminal record to determine penalty, wants something in the record for future reference.



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Planning and Zoning Administrator Goodrich reported on the Cyber Security seminar she attended, cybercriminal requests large amount of money for recovery of data or funds, criminal wants good reputation so will work with company, cost one County \$200,000. Ed Knott will present services available from Applied Connective for cyber security at the next Board meeting. Dale Melia resigned from the Planning Board, will place an ad for two weeks requesting applications. Board will make the appointment at the May 31 meeting.

The Board of Equalization was convened at 11:20 a.m. on motion of DeRiso, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. The Assessor and Clerk were present.

Tax List Correction #3897 for Lumir and Darlene L. Bruha due to homestead exemption change after income found by Department of Revenue was approved on motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

The Board moved back into regular session at 11:25 a.m. on motion of DeRiso, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

The State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds compliance report was amended, revenue loss of \$807,643 reported due to new information learned, loss equals amount of funds received from ARPA; should receive second payment in May.

The following informational items were reviewed: NACO County Budget Workshop and NACO County Board Workshop agenda and registration. The annual evaluation of the Valley County Jail found the facility to be in full compliance with Minimum Jail Standards.

Following review, the Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$309,632.26 were approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Region 26 requested that a blank disaster declaration form be signed and ready to be filled in if needed immediately and there is not time to track a Board member down, some services cannot be activated without a signed declaration. Baker made the motion to sign a blank disaster declaration, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Cetak reported employees of Mid-Nebraska will be getting a raise. Cullers reported the Wozab Fund balance is \$1,345,589.64.

Mail Folder items: none

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m., to reconvene on Wednesday, May 11 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the April 26 meeting and an agenda for the May 11 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