

# 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 8, 2022 in their Courthouse meeting room to consider the FY 22-23 budget and subdivision levy authority requests. 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 July 20, 2022 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. Agenda adopted on motion of Waldmann, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted; public copies available. No public comment.

Accountant Chuck Abel reviewed the budget information presented at the July 26 Board meeting; County cash balance is down; based on requested funds and estimated receipts the General Fund would be negative \$53,389 if all requests were spent, usually do not spend entire budget. Preliminary County valuation is 998,983,150; last year 898,280,183.

Subdivision Levy requests were reviewed. Mike Wells attended to speak for Twin Loups Reclamation, asking \$32,490, 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, stated request was the same as last year. Subdivision levies will be set and approved at the Board meeting August 9.

Weed Superintendent Darrell Kaminski was present to discuss his budget; increased postage budget since the County now has to pay postage to mail the Weed Watch. Treasurer Brott gave raises to her employees. Assessor Waltman increased salaries, appraiser's fees will be paid in two installments of \$41,038 in two budget years.

Lisa Bower, Court Services, said this year is a pilot budget since District and County Court were combined, the Clerk agreed the combined courts are working well. Danny Vanek keeps \$20,000 in the Courthouse Remodeling to make any necessary updates. Ryan Simpson, Civil Defense, wants to replace the two old vehicles with one better vehicle.

Sheriff Hurlburt reported grants were received for computers, vests for deputies, metal detector for the courtroom and deputies' salaries, grant for new system to add money to inmates' books and bond out prisoners was received for the Jail. County Attorney Hanson added \$10,000 for autopsies, Clerk said there is a line item in the Miscellaneous General budget for autopsies.

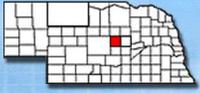
Road Superintendent Meyer was present to discuss the Road budget; added \$100,000 to asphalt, reduced gravel, grader blades last longer, increased fuel, asked to add \$173,500 to capital outlay to buy trucks, will use the bridge and street buy back to pay for the bridges.

County Clerk Musil reported the Clerk's budget increase was for salaries, two full time employees instead of one full time and one part time, will replace one computer. The other budget requests were reviewed; Agricultural Extension Agent was increased to hire a teacher to increase interest in 4-H; the ambulance is paid off, took \$50,000 payment out; Veterans Service Officer will attend workshops.

Cullers proposed offering full family health insurance coverage to the employees, \$60,000 cost per year, \$30,000 added; increased abandoned cemetery costs to \$5,000, some cemeteries need work. All funds remaining in the ARPA Covid Rescue Fund are budgeted to spend; amount in Courthouse Bond fund is needed to make all principal and interest payments on bonds.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m., to reconvene on August 9, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the August 8 meeting and the agenda for the August 9 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