

Valley County Board Minutes



VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Budget Hearing was opened at 9:00 a.m. Roll call taken: Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present, Baker absent. Accountant Chuck Abel was present to review the budget, which must be submitted to the State Auditor by September 30. Abel reviewed Budget Summary documents he prepared regarding valuation and levy information, budgeted receipts and disbursements and projected fund balances and overall balance at the end of 2022. The valuation is 991,172,390. Last year's valuation was 848,535,064, the levy was .34. The County received \$3,054,153 in taxes last year; if the levy stays the same would collect \$3,369,986 in taxes. No member of the public appeared to comment on the budget. Sevenker closed the budget hearing at 9:20 a.m.

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session following the Budget Hearing, Tuesday, September 13, 2022 in the Courthouse Boardroom. Pledge of Allegiance recited, roll call taken: Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present, Baker absent. Clerk verified meeting notice published in the Ord Quiz on August 17, 2022 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. The minutes of August 30, 2022 were approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Baker. Cullers moved to adopt the agenda, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker. Sevenker noted the Open Meetings Act posted on the west wall, public copies available on the counter. No public comment offered.

Weed Superintendent Kaminski reported six Valley County landowners attended the Leafy Spurge Working Task Force Field Day. Sandhills Weed Management received a grant of \$500,000, purchased a skid steer loader with attachments; Valley County can use for two weeks, specifics of use will be worked out; will spray Loup Rivers for phragmites.

On recommendation of Road Superintendent Meyer, Cetak moved to approve Easement 22-461 for Viaero Fiber Networks, LLC, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker. Meyer presented a Contractor Request for Payment from Ed Hoevet Excavating for the first payment of \$90,947.68 on Structure No. C008801705 replacement, Potrzeba bridge. VanSlyke moved to pay the requested amount, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Meyers' General Report included: finished overlaying on South Ave, two week delay on Potrzeba bridge due to supplies, selling bridge lumber at the fairground auction, laying millings on Sargent-Ord Rd, motor grader payment due, pay for asphalt. Small bridge assessment survey sent in; compiling list of bridges in poor condition to go after infrastructure funds; County has only one bridge on list, will be replaced.

The County Clerk monthly fee report was reviewed. Additional Pledge Security was obtained from First National Bank.

County Attorney Hanson was in a jury trial and unable to give a General Report.

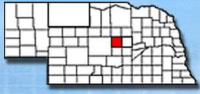
Meeting recessed at 10:00 a.m., reconvened at 10:10 a.m. with all members present.

The agenda for the NACO Fall Central District meeting was reviewed, ten gift bags will be provided with items from many businesses in Ord, Arcadia, Elyria and North Loup.

The following informational items were reviewed: NIRMA Self Defense for County Officials Conference, October 20-21 in Kearney; NACO Legislative Conference, October 28 in Gering; NACO nominations forms for 2022 County Official of the Year, Lifetime Achievement and Next Generation Awards; NIRMA Membership Meeting October 21 in Kearney; nomination form for four positions on the NIRMA Board of Directors; District Court Fees and Fines Report for August and Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Grant.

The Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$31,214.67 were approved on motion of Cullers, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Baker.

VanSlyke moved to approve Resolution 22-12 authorizing an additional 1% increase in the 2022-2023 fiscal year budget, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Baker. Resolution 22-13 adopting the budget as published was approved on motion of Cullers, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Baker. The Hearing to Set the Final Tax Request was opened at 10:25 a.m. No members of the public were present. Resolution 22-14 setting the Final Tax Request was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker. The Hearing to Set the Final Tax Request was closed at 10:30 a.m.



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Waldmann moved to approve Resolution 22-15 authorizing the Treasurer and Clerk to transfer funds from the General Fund to the Road, Planning & Zoning and Weed Funds as needed to meet their obligations, not to exceed the budgeted amount allowed by the Board, since they do not have their own levy, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker.

The Treasurer's Fund Balance Report for August was reviewed: General \$626,579.25, Road \$574,663.26, Inheritance \$767,336.86, Debt Service \$166,727.22; total collected \$3,933,982. Misc. Receipts folder available for review.

The Board moved into Board of Equalization at 11:00 a.m. on motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Baker. The Assessor, Clerk and Theresa Petska were present.

Becky Ries, Economic Development administrator, explained Economic Development purchases properties with LB 840 funds that need to be cleaned up and gives the properties to the Community Development Agency through the City of Ord; Economic Development cannot own property purchased with LB 840 funds; Economic Development pays to have properties cleaned up; the property has value when purchased, in lieu of taxes are levied until the property is purchased; Economic Development administers properties purchased with LB 840 fund for the City of Ord; the properties will be developed for economic development; buildings are taken off the tax roll after torn down; LB 840 funds are excess sales tax collected; the Board of Equalization can exempt the property, need to get an opinion from the County Attorney.

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

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m., to reconvene on September 27, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the September 13 meeting and an agenda for the September 27 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk.

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