

VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES
MARCH 14, 2023 – 9:00 A.M.

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on March 14, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke all present. Clerk verified the meeting notice on March 8, 2023 in the Quiz and on the website, agenda posted. Motion by Ference to approve the minutes from February 28, 2023, second by Baker. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker all voting Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Cullers to act on the Agenda, second by DeRiso. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers; all voting Yes. Motion carried. Open meetings act on the west wall of the County Boardroom. No Public Comment.

Jay Meyer with Roads is selling a 2004 dump truck and other supplies to sell, needs board approval to do this, will auction off with Wolf Auction. Motion by Baker to sell items on Wolf auction, second by DeRiso. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Meyer also reported that he is looking to upgrade trucks. Spring projects have started able to do some work, waiting for frost to come out of the ground. Bid asphalt with Custer County, snow removal, working on new to County side dump truck, and hauling gravel. Meyer is gone for next meeting, for water certification. Meyer also attended the legislature session on LB646, reported on 911 surcharge, may end up combining it with another bill, Meyer has not heard any more on it.

Leslie Sikyta was present to ask for use of the Courthouse lawn for Hometown Maker's Market to do yoga and kids game on July 1, 2023. Motion by Baker and amended by Baker to allow use of the courthouse lawn for yoga and kids game, second by Ference. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Motion carried.

Amos Lange was present with North Loup Irrigation, to discuss the contract with the NRD. He suggested to the board that they be cautious about signing. He says that it doesn't say anything in contract about supplemental acres. Hanson recommended that not to sign this as of right now. Board is going to contact Baker to visit with him some more.

Break at 9:43 a.m. Back in session at 9:48 a.m.

Nancy Glaubke and Crystal Novotny were present to discuss the patient care for Veterans in the County. Dale Beethe was present as well. Discussion was held on the process of getting records from the VA system. Novotny says it is a struggle for the clinic to get any information from the VA. Veterans Service and Novotny are going to work together to get more help for the Veterans in the County to be able to use the Clinic and Hospital if possible.

Cullers made a motion to reconsider the transfer of ownership of the Courtroom technology to the County. Chairman Van Slyke ask Cullers if she was on the prevailing side, Cullers said yes. DeRiso second. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Motion carried.

Cullers motioned to pay the fund and claims request of \$42,049.52, Cetak second. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried.

Twin Loup presented their annual report to the County, Mike Wells presented a history of Calamus Dam and Davis Creek Dam. His report was very informative and gave the board an understanding on how the Twin Loups operate.

Treasurer Peggy Brott gave report on the fund balance, pledge receipt, tax sales list, and misc. receipts. Motion by Petska to go into session of Board of Equalization at 11:00 a.m., second by Ference. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, all voting Yes. Becky Ries was present for in lieu of taxes with Quiz lot and Sliva property. Quiz lots have been reevaluated, so taxes are \$65.66 and \$59.46 for 2022. Sliva property is \$395.70 for 2022. Board discussed in lieu of taxes but no decisions made. Ries said that she talked to Mayor Sedlacek and the City would like County to reconsider properties when they get properties cleaned up. County would like to be informed when properties are cleaned up. No

further business in Board of Equalization Petska motioned to go out of Board of Equalization at 11:18 a.m., Cullers second. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, voting Yes. Motioned carried.

Wozab meeting was set for March 27, 2023 at 7 p.m. The Board will consider applications at that time. D Committee reports were presented. Baker reported on Loup Basin Public Health, DeRiso reported on Mid-Plains and he has been elected Secretary/Treasurer, Cullers to call Elyria Gardens for flowers for the courthouse planters, Gazebo committee reported that they have met with Buller and have blue print on the project now and a cost estimate of \$109,000.00, the committee is hoping to name the gazebo in memory of John and Alice Wozab, for all of the contributions that the Wozabs have made to our county. This is going to be built on contributions not tax dollars. Building and grounds committee reported that it is time to make plans on getting bids for new heating and air system. The 457 plan was discussed along with Colonial Life and Principal. Clerk Bower is going to check into the matters on insurance. Bower is also looking for grants to help with the heating/air.

The weed budget was discussed and board is aware of it being close to being over.

Meeting on the Employee Handbook will be right after the regular meeting on March 28, 2023.

With no further business, meeting was adjourned at 12:18 p.m., to reconvene on March 28, 2023 at 9:00 a.m., in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of February 28, 2023 meeting and agenda for March 14, 2023 meeting are for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and 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 the proceedings had and done by the County Board, that all the subjects included 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 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 were in written form and available for public.

Judith Bower
Valley County Clerk