

VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, December 31, 2024, in the Courthouse Boardroom. Pledge of Allegiance recited, roll call taken: Baker, Cullers, DeRiso, Ference, Cetak, Petska, VanSlyke present, absent none. Clerk verified meeting notice published; agenda posted. The Minutes of December 10, 2024, were approved on motion of Cullers, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cetak, VanSlyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. Petska moved to adopt the agenda, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Open Meetings Act posted on the west wall; public copies available on the counter. No public comment offered.

The meeting began by thanking Cetak and Cullers for their many years of dedicated service to Valley County.

Motion by Baker to approve the claims and fund request of \$560,865.78, Second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Road Superintendent Meyer and Secretary Sandy Simpson appeared. Simpson gave December Road claims & balances report. Meyer gave general report to include bridge update, award of NIRMA grant, motor graders will be sold as surplus on Auction Time. Motion by Cetak to approve Resolution 24-21, a resolution to approve and sign County Bridge Match Program – Program Agreement, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Discussion followed about progress of driveway for new residence by Arcadia.

Motion by Petska to enter Board of Equalization at 9:35am, second Ference. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Ference, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Update on TERC case no 20E 0022. Motion by Cullers to approve applications for Tax Exemption on Motor Vehicles Owned by Qualifying Nonprofit Organizations, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. Motion by Baker to exit Board of Equalization at 9:41am, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. No: none. Absent: none.

Valley County Health System gave a report on December VCHS board meeting, financial report for November. Discussion of the upcoming Gala on January 11, 2025, VCHS offering cataract surgery, donation made by Second Hand Rose.

Weed Superintendent Darrell Kaminski gave a report on Noxious Weed Control Plan for 2025 and Noxious Weed Infestation Report for 2024. Kaminski had not yet received open files report from the State, discussion of grant money that the State has not awarded yet, drone being used for weed control.

Valley County Economic Development gave an update on Mortensen Site Development, that 99 year lease a possible hinderance for financial institutions. Discussion followed about covenants in place, original documents when the land was gifted will be researched.

The county board took a break at 10:17am and reconvened at 10:31am.

County Attorney Brandon Hanson gave an update on the process for appointment of county supervisor to follow Nebraska State Statute 32-567, and zoning regulations for roads.

Clerk KeShara Poland gave report on Register of Deeds November Month End report, possible area in employee manual to clarify overtime.

Sheriff report included review of signed Interlocal Agreement with City of Ord and update on patrol vehicle purchase.

Treasurer report included applications for investment of funds. Motion by Ference to approve Resolution 24-20, to approve banks for investment of funds, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. No: none. Absent: none.

Petska gave report that Kaminski was nominated for NWCA Award.

Baker thanked the County Board for approving the display of the Christmas Tree.

The meeting adjourned by Cetak at 11:28am, to reconvene on January 14, 2025, at 9:00am in regular session and 9:30am as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the December 10, 2024, meeting and an agenda for the December 31, 2024, meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the County website <https://valleycountyne.gov>.

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.

KeShara Poland, Valley County Clerk