

## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00am, Tuesday, August 12, 2025, in the Courthouse Boardroom. Pledge of Allegiance recited, roll call taken: VanSlyke, Magiera, Petska, DeRiso, Stunkel present. Ference, Baker absent. Clerk verified meeting notice published; agenda posted. The Minutes of July 29, 2025, were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Magiera. Carried. Yes: Magiera, Petska, DeRiso, Stunkel, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Ference, Baker. Stunkel moved to adopt the agenda, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Petska, DeRiso, Stunkel, VanSlyke, Magiera. No: none. Absent: Ference, Baker. Open Meetings Act posted on the west wall; public copies available on the counter. Ference arrived at 9:01am. No public comment.

Weed Superintendent Darrell Kaminski gave report on a property that has been sprayed and information from training.

Clerk KeShara Poland gave report on awaiting finalization of July Register of Deeds report, will be available at the next meeting, and new position coming open in the Clerk's Office.

July fund balance report, fund balance listing, and miscellaneous receipts were reviewed. Treasurer Peggy Brott gave information on distress warrants returned from Valley County Sheriff with further discussion. Motion by Stunkel to approve use of courthouse grounds for Ord Esport for a fundraising event on September 6 from 10am – 2pm, second Ference. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Stunkel, VanSlyke, Ference, Magiera, Petska. No: none. Absent: Baker.

The July district and county courts fees and fines reports were reviewed.

Motion by Stunkel to approve lease agreement with City of Ord for the placement of a sign for Bussell Park on parcel #880010934, second Magiera. Carried. Yes: Stunkel, VanSlyke, Ference, Magiera, Petska, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Petska gave update on Part 4 of Nebraska Historic Tax Credit, currently waiting on invoice for fees due. Discussion of Part 5 for sale of tax credits.

Motion by DeRiso to enter board of equalization at 9:31am, second Magiera. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Ference, Magiera, Petska, DeRiso, Stunkel. No: none. Absent: Baker. Assessor Linda Waltman and Aurora Griebel were present. Waltman presented a cemetery report. Discussion on care and upkeep of neglected cemetery properties, including those that are on private ground. Motion by Petska to exit board of equalization at 9:41am, second Magiera. Carried. Yes: Ference, Magiera, Petska, DeRiso, Stunkel, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker.

County Attorney Brandon Hanson appeared. Discussion on distress warrants, lease with City of Ord, and License Plate Reader agreements with the Nebraska Department of Transportation. Stunkel was absent from 9:49am and returned at 9:52am.

The board took a short break at 9:59am and reconvened at 10:03am.

Fiscal Year 2025-2026 budgets were reviewed beginning at 10:03am. Accountant Chuck Abel was present and gave report on growth allowable for the upcoming fiscal year. Ference was absent from 10:07am and returned at 10:09am. Political Subdivision budget requests were reviewed and discussed. Valley County office and department budget requests were reviewed and discussed. Stunkel was absent from 10:25am and returned at 10:27am. Budget committee gave a report.

Motion by Stunkel to approve Resolution 25-09, a resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Nebraska Department of Transportation for installation and operation of automated license plate reader on State Highway, second Ference. Carried. Yes: Magiera, Petska, DeRiso, Stunkel, VanSlyke, Ference. No: none. Absent: Baker. Motion by Petska to approve the first agreement with the Nebraska Department of Transportation for installation and operation of automated license plate reader on State Highway, located on Highway 70, second Ference. Carried. Yes: Petska, DeRiso, Stunkel, VanSlyke, Ference, Magiera. No: none. Absent: Baker. Motion by Ference to approve the second agreement with the Nebraska Department of Transportation for installation and

operation of automated license plate reader on State Highway, located on Highway 11, second Magiera. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Stunkel, VanSlyke, Ference, Magiera, Petska. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Motion by Stunkel to approve the fund request of \$120,840.49, to include a correction from the July 29, 2025, fund request asking, second Ference. Carried. Yes: Stunkel, VanSlyke, Ference, Magiera, Petska, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Budgets for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 were further discussed, to include VanGuard and Eagleview for the Assessor's Office. Stunkel was absent from 11:04am and returned at 11:05am. Magiera was absent from 11:07am and returned at 11:10am. Further discussion on possible capital improvement projects to include new carpet in boardroom and new toilets, and repayment from different offices back to inheritance fund.

FEMA grants were discussed with no action taken.

Motion by Petska to enter executive session at 11:56am for personnel reasons, second Ference. Carried with all voting yes. The board exited executive session at 12:30pm on motion of Petska with no decisions made.

Ference gave committee report on the upcoming MidNebraska Individual Services closure of the Ord location.

The meeting adjourned at 12:32pm, to reconvene on August 18, 2025, at 7:00pm in regular session for a budget hearing and on August 26, 2025 at 9:00am in regular session with a budget hearing at 10:00am. Complete minutes of the July 29, 2025, meeting and an agenda for the August 12, 2025, 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.

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KeShara Poland, Valley County Clerk