

## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 13, 2015 in the Courthouse Boardroom, Supervisor Sevenker acting Chairman. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, Waldmann present; absent VanSlyke (excused). As part of the annual organizational duties, Waldmann nominated Sevenker as Board Chairman. Baker moved that nominations cease, seconded by DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. Abstain: Sevenker. DeRiso moved to elect Cullers as Vice Chairman, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. Abstain: Cullers. The Board members acknowledged that the Chairman and Vice Chairman spend a lot of extra time on County Board duties. Clerk verified publication of notice of meeting and posting of agenda. DeRiso noted the minutes from the last meeting should be corrected to say that he knew the Columbus ethanol plant produces a by-product that can be used as a deicer, not that he had heard it. Cullers moved to approve the minutes as corrected, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. The agenda was adopted on motion of Waldmann, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. Chairman Sevenker noted that the Open Meetings act is posted on the west wall and public copies are available. There was no public comment.

Resolution 15-01 authorizing the County Highway Dept. to erect and maintain signs designating restrictions to County Highways when necessary was approved on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

The 1 & 6 Year Plan Hearing date was set for February 24, 2015 at 9:15 a.m. on motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

Road Supt. Meyer's report included: hope to finish widening roads this week, warmer weather coming, oil roads have cleared up, last snow did not stick, guys put signs in yesterday and 8 inches of frost in ground, under drifts is mud; start cutting trees with saw tomorrow; sign inventory started, will be countywide, 1200 to 1500, check condition, proper height, if meet all regulations, fill out sheets, log them and put in computer, can prove condition of sign if there should be an incident and replace signs where needed, 4-5 week process; Springdale Bridge on schedule, received Notice to Proceed for Chairman's signature, weather permitting slabs will be poured within couple weeks in Wahoo, he will be there to verify that they meet specs; March 30 can start on Springdale Bridge once they get the Corp permit, June 12 is completion date, 20-30 day project with ideal conditions, detour north on road east of bridge and back west to highway, 2 miles, will be signed accordingly, carries a lot of traffic, like to get done before planting, will try to get notice of detour on the radio before project starts; DeRiso asked what could be done about the curve into North Loup, noting that lights are needed as there have been accidents there, Meyer said it is not a County road but he felt the County would support the Village if they sent a letter to the state Roads Dept.

Gilmore had quoted \$6500 to set corners and complete the plat of the Mortensen Industrial Site. Olsson Associates have quoted not to exceed \$3975 for surveying services and \$4200 for civil design services, which includes all topography, subdivision and platting process and any construction staking needed to perform the layout of roads, ditches, etc. Meyer said they could start next week and be done by Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>. Baker moved to accept Olssons bid on design of Mortensen Tract, second Cetak. Baker suggested looking at extending the road to the mix strip to clean the farm acreage and leave the lots dry, including the vacant lot by Petska. Kokes agreed to pay farm lease amount for the lot he wants until he is ready to use it, could offer that to others too; may solve some water issues. Meyer said Olssons will do whatever the County wants and make drainage plans accordingly. They could set rough elevations for new lots so drainage would work correctly, extend road to mix strip and have

farm on one side and lot on the other side. Waldmann asked if underground pipe would have to be removed and Meyer said yes, unless work into contract that they can extend and continue to farm. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. Meyer will contact Olssons to get started right away, also ask for lot numbers to be assigned and include number of acres for each lot.

Weed Supt. Darrell Kaminski presented his 2015 Noxious Weed Plan. He said only 1 landowner remains on the State Reports as not complying, may need a 10 Day Notice, it is for leafy spurge. He has updated the contact info. The Board can review it and if they want any changes they can be made before the Plan is approved at the next meeting.

Treasurer Suminski presented the Month End Fund Report for December, showing balance of \$385,282.21 in General Fund, \$28,966.65 in Relief, \$1,176,493.71 in Inheritance. She also presented the Semi-Annual Fund Balance report, both the summary and the detailed report. The summary is published as required, the detailed version is kept on file. She also reported that Pledge Security was needed to cover the county deposits and \$500,000 was transferred to NPAIT to be sure all funds were covered. She talked to NACO about County Government Day CD they offer and it is the form of slides so it can be edited to fit our County. Mr. Spathe has checked with the schools and has tentatively scheduled County Government Day for March 31 at 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon when he hopes to take them to the Vets' Club for lunch and, if necessary, back to the Courthouse. A mock trial was discussed. County Attorney Brandon Hanson thought it was a good idea and would be fun. He suggested asking a local attorney to play the part of Judge.

Dave Williams, Airport Secretary, appeared to explain that the Nebr. Dept. of Aeronautics must be a named, loss payee on property for which they loaned money. Williams said that \$300,000 was borrowed from NDA for the new hanger and the gas pump credit card system. The Airport receives \$150,000 each year which can be held for 4 years, if not spent in 4 years it is lost. These funds will be used to repay the loan. In 2007 they purchased land, in 2008 landing lights and in 2011 the beacon and rail lights. Improvements of 2.6 million dollars have been made over the years. Initially the weather information was reported manually and had to be recorded manually, now it is automated. Without the weather information the life-flight helicopter could not come in. The old building was sold and will be moved by May. Ten or more based aircraft are required to receive FAA funding. The new fuel pump allows planes to stop for fuel and pay for it at night. Hangers rent for \$150 per month for the old hangers and \$180 for the new. They took in \$14,000 in hanger rent last year and \$10,000 in land rent. Williams will provide copies of the loan agreement which is required by NIRMA, the county's liability insurance carrier, in order to name NDA as loss payee on insured property for which they loaned money.

The County Clerk and Clerk of the District Court Fee Reports were reviewed.

The Employee Recognition Dinner discussion included: February 22 at the fair building, Waldmann will check on availability of the building, will start at 5:00 p.m., eat at 6:00 p.m., menu will be discussed at the next meeting, Helen will check with Cassidys.

Sevenker noted that Michael Wicht of Prochaska & Associates was here and reviewed the Sheriff's Office and Jail with regard to the needs expressed by Sheriff Hurlburt and will write up a proposal.

Baker moved to authorize Chairman Sevenker to sign the deed for the Schimenti property, transferring ownership to the City of Ord, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

The Health Insurance/Cash-in lieu discussion included: under NACO/BCBS Medicare eligible employees had to stay on the insurance plan in order to receive a benefit from the county; after contracting with Benefit Management, a plan was included that provided a contribution to an HRA fund for those who chose Medicare, the county's high deductible

insurance plan, or did not choose to take the county health insurance; the ACA regulations said that Medicare was not a group plan so the HRA contributions were not allowed for Medicare recipients; the county sought advice from Benefit Management and Tonniges & Associates on paying a fringe benefit to replace the HRA contribution and both firms felt the fringe benefit payments were allowable within the new regulations and with the requirement for setting County Official salaries prior to election, as it is a benefit and not part of the salary; based on the information available at this time, the county will continue to do as we have been doing.

County Attorney Brandon Hanson reported that there will be a few cases where he will have a conflict and will need to have another attorney appointed for those cases. He has not decided whether to ask Attorney Glenn Clark to act as Deputy County Attorney when needed and bill the County, as Clark is not able to be here on Mondays which is the County Court hearing day.

Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$26,931.16 were approved on motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

Review of the appointments to Committees, Agency/Board Reps will be delayed until the next meeting so the Board can have time to review the list.

The Certificate of Adoption Resolution for the Flexible Benefit Plan Amendment/Agreement was approved on motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Abstain: Baker, did not have enough information.

Baker reported that he can get a fiberglass ballistic panel for the Judge's bench in the District Courtroom for less than the Kevlar pads. The \$500 panel will stop anything from a 44 magnum down or there is one that will stop anything from a 30-06 down, but he doesn't have a price on that one yet. There is a lot of paperwork involved. Board agreed that the stronger one should be purchased if it is affordable and left the decision to Baker.

Waldmann reported that VCED is working to get something in the ALCO building.

Karl Shaddock of Nebraska Community Foundation was present to discuss options for use of the Wozab Fund. The idea of setting aside \$5000 of Wozab Fund dollars for the purpose of offering a non-traditional scholarship was discussed. A non-traditional scholarship is one that is offered to an adult. The idea is to invest in people who already live and work in the County. A list of "workforce gaps" identified by VCED included many skilled trade positions but none would be considered jobs normally held by women. Scholarships would not be limited to those fields that were listed. Discussion included: would not have issue scholarship every year, the \$5000 could be rolled over to the next year, or used for the regular grant disbursements, the Board felt they should review the applications and make the selection rather than appointing a separate committee, Baker felt it should be handled by elected officials who are accountable to the people, Cullers read from the Wozab Trust that use of the funds was at the discretion of the County Board, Shaddock noted that the course of study would have to be accredited and agreed that CCC might help with that, Shaddock presented a sample application form and said he could adapt it to fit what the County wanted. Waldmann moved to set aside \$5000 of Wozab Funds to this scholarship project and decide how much and how many to give at a later time, for 1 year term. Cullers seconded the

motion. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

Shaddock will draft an application form and get the word out. Cullers agreed to be the point of contact for Shaddock.

Sevenker reported that Wadas called him to say that they had to add \$540 worth of refrigerant to the Courthouse HVAC system which indicates a leak in the system. Wadas will look for the leak or we can contact Mechanical Sales. The Board agreed to contact Mechanical Sales and see what they advise.

Quarterly jail inspection was held.

Meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m., to reconvene on January 28, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session. Complete minutes of the January 14 meeting and an agenda for the January 28 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 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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Jenette G. Lindsey, Valley County Clerk

## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session in their Courthouse meeting room on Tuesday, January 27, 2015, at 9:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; absent, none. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. Minutes of January 13 approved on motion of Cullers, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Abstain: VanSlyke as he was absent Jan. 13. Waldmann moved to adopt agenda, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted; public copies available. No public comment.

Road Secretary Simpson reviewed January road claims noting the larger expenses. Accounts payable \$74,076.51, payroll \$42,874.44, received highway allocation of \$57,548.55 and Motor Vehicle fees of \$12,576.20. Simpson said the Road budget was 61% used at this time last year and is at 62% used this year. Meyer noted they are waiting on the bill for grader blades and just got the bill for the saw.

Road Supt. Meyer reported that he requested maps of the Mortensen Industrial Site from Gilmore to send to Jesse Hurt of Olsson Assoc. in order to get legible lot dimensions. Hurt plans to be here on the 10<sup>th</sup> and will get the information to the Clerk in time for the Board packets. The Board agreed that Hurt should figure on making the road to the mix strip, and the final decision can be made on the 10<sup>th</sup>. The final farm acres will be determined at the time of bidding the lease. Discussed if road should be opened that far now as it would not be used but would have to be maintained. Agland will construct a building on their extra lot so will not be charged farm rent, Kokes is not ready to build so will pay farm rent for the lot until he builds. The required ads setting the date and time for bidding the lease are to be published with the currant legal and noted that the number of acres is to be determined on the date of bidding. By the 10<sup>th</sup>, will have amount of acres potentially taken out of production, the road ROW and the lots for Agland and Kokes.

Road Supt. Meyer's General report included: finish maintaining this week; begin hand patch roads and crack sealing paved roads; continuing sign inventory; cutting trees on Sargent Road, use red dye to treat cut area; 2 weeks ago was at Wahoo to observe pouring of the slabs for the bridge to verify that the rebar was put in, can begin construction when Corp permit is received and weather permits, start date is March 30<sup>th</sup>, permit request was submitted 2 months ago.

Weed Supt. Kaminski presented the 2014 Noxious Weed Infestation Report and 2014 Activity Report and the 2015 Weed Control Authority Board Roster, Budget Report, and Noxious Weed Control Plan. Kaminski said he is showing showed an increase in Musk Thistle infestation and a decrease in leafy spurge and he noted that houndstongue has been reported in the County. Following discussion, VanSlyke moved to approve the 2014 Infestation Report and the 2014 Activity Report, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. The 2015 Noxious Weed Control Plan, 2015 Board Roster and 2015 Budget Form were approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Kaminski will be in Kearney attending continuing education classes on Feb. 10 and 11.

Valley County Planning and Zoning Administrator, Sheri Goodrich, reported on the information she found regarding Livestock Friendly designation for Counties. Copies of Legislative Bills 106 and 175 were provided along with a copy of a "draft outline" entitled Nebraska Livestock Siting Process received at the NACO Conference and a list of people on the NACO Zoning Committee. Goodrich said the process requires the County to pass a resolution, then she submits an application to the State Dept. of Agriculture, the state examines the County Zoning Regs to make sure they are livestock friendly. LB 106 wants to model Wisconsin and Iowa where the State sets the regulations. If the designation is approved you get a sign, the County's name on a website, and some feel it is a marketing tool. Orval Stahr feels LB175 is an effort to provide funding through grants to offset some County costs for expanding businesses. Currently 23 counties are in, 1 county has "self-designated" as a livestock friendly county. Valley County is not in a position to apply until the regulations have been updated, which they are currently working on. VanSlyke is working with the

Cattleman's Association to have a representative speak to the County Board. Orval Stahr is writing a letter to the Agriculture Committee and the Senators which she will share with the Board. Currently working with a feed lot for expansion and has been approached regarding a poultry facility, she will update the Board as more information becomes available. Jesse Hurt of Olsson Assoc. Surveyors contacted her regarding the platting of the Mortensen Industrial Site. If a full subdivision plat is prepared, Planning & Zoning would have to sign off on it. Presently no fees are charged for hearings on plats, they will be asking the Board if they want to start charging fees. It was agreed that some setbacks are too big and this will be addressed in the current updating of the regulations. The Assessor gets copies of Planning & Zoning permits and they report any new construction they are aware of to her.

Meeting recessed at 10:15 a.m. and reconvened at 10:25 a.m. with all members present.

County Attorney Hanson had no General Report. He advised that the Schimenti Foreclosure was completed and the deed from the County to the City of Ord could now be delivered to the City. Hanson felt a contract was needed with Olsson Associates, the newly appointed County Surveyor and presented a Contract for the Board's signature which mirrored Olsson Associates proposal except for a clause noting that no charge for services would be made for driving time. Baker moved to approve the contract, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Following discussion, the bidding of the County Farm Leases was scheduled for February 24, 2015, at 11:00 a.m. for the Public Hearing at which any interested party may appear and speak for or against the lease of the described property and 11:15 a.m. to receive bids for the lease of the County Farm tracts, on motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Due to the request of Kokes and Agland for additional lots, the number of farm acres to be rented will not be finalized until the day of the bidding. The published bid notices will include the notation that the number of acres is subject to revision.

Cullers reported on meal prices from Cassidy's per plate, including: meat, potato salad, coleslaw beans, small dessert; \$8.50 pulled pork, \$9.50 to \$10.00 brisket, chicken-fried chicken 4 oz. \$9.00, 6 oz. \$11.00. Cassidy's need notice of choices and numbers by Feb. 13. Following discussion, the Employee Recognition Dinner was set for February 22, 2014 at the Fairgrounds, Social Hour at 5:00 p.m. meal at 6:00 p.m. Meal choices will be brisket or 6 oz. chicken-fried chicken. Cullers will check with Cassidy's on drinks.

Following review of the Committee and Representative assignments, it was noted Shey Boyce was appointed to replace DeRiso on the Economic Development Board and DeRiso agreed to replace Sevenker as the County Representative on the Mid Plains Board. The Clerk will notify Dr. Bengston that she has been appointed County Physician.

At 11:10 a.m. the Board of Equalization convened on motion of Cullers, second, Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. The Assessor and Clerk were present.

Assessor Arnold presented the following Tax List Corrections: #3796 Coy D. Wolf, filed Nov. 26, 25% late filing penalty by statute, total tax \$369.80; #3797, Alvin Johnson, filed Nov. 6, 25% late filing penalty by statute, total tax \$67.22; #3798 Agland Electric & Irrigation Inc., removed 2010 generator for 2014, corrected tax \$1098.66; #3799 Agland Electric & Irrigation Inc., filed Nov. 26, 25% late filing penalty by statute, total tax \$4,884.56. Following discussion, Cullers moved to approve Tax List Corrections #3796 Coy D. Wolf, #3797 Alvin Johnson, #3798 and #3799 Agland Electric & Irrigation Inc., second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann. No: Baker. Absent: none.

The Board moved back into regular session on motion of Waldmann, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Following review of the NIRMA letter requesting that the County sign a Sworn Statement in Proof of Loss for hail damage, Baker moved to authorize Chairman Sevenker to sign the Statement, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

The January Claims and Balances Report was reviewed. Sevenker noted that a new entrance door has been installed for the jail and the intent is to put a camera and a system to buzz people in, it is also keyed for the Deputies. He also said that Custodian Vanek has talked to Mechanical Sales and their representative will be near the area soon and will stop in and look at the system. Following discussion, Cullers approved the January Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$325,724.40, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Following discussion, it was decided that the Wozab Grant Applications will be available on February 4, 2014 and the deadline to return the completed applications will be March 13, 2014. The Board will meet the evening of March 30, 2014 to consider the applications. This meeting will be advertised. Cullers shared a sample application received from Karl Shaddock of Nebr. Community Foundation for the Board's use in offering a non-traditional scholarship this year through the Wozab Grant funds. Applications for the scholarship will be same time as regular Wozab Grants. It was determined that certain changes were needed on the form, including: adding Health Care to the list of fields available in the area, remove reference to area high school graduate, list Baker and Cullers phone numbers to call in case of questions, add health care to fields listed in the sample press release, remove insures stay in county, change March 15 to March 13.

Cullers presented the Wozab Fund quarterly report: beginning balance \$1,281,845; income \$17,547.97; expenses \$3689.30; ending balance \$1,295,695.09; this year's payout \$31,648.92.

The Wozab Grant notice will be emailed to the Village Clerks for posting in the area.

Following discussion, no amendment was made to the County Personnel Policy at this time.

Notice was provided to all of the Central District Meeting on March 19 in Kearney.

The NIRMA Property Value Update appraisal of the Terminal and Hanger Building was noted and is available for review in the Clerk's Office.

Waldmann reported that Economic Development, the Ag Society and the Chamber are hosting an Ag Home Show on Feb. 28 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the fairgrounds. It will be advertised.

Mail folder items available for review: none.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m., to reconvene on February 10, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the January 27, 2015 meeting and an agenda for the February 10, 2015 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).

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<b>GENERAL FUND (0100)</b>		<b>Claims</b>
Payroll	Jan-15	\$ 71,305.85
AdvancedSatellites of Kearney	sup	\$ 13.99
Ameritas Life Ins. Corp.	rt	\$ 4,705.03
Doug Anderson	mlg	\$ 309.12
Appeara	sup	\$ 137.82
Larry R. Barta	rt/psb	\$ 20.00
Benefit Management	serv	\$ 1,050.00
Blue Book	sup	\$ 22.95
Michael S. Borders	serv	\$ 2,700.00
Charter Communications	tele	\$ 107.96
Clamp Inc	sup	\$ 282.77
Kenneth R. Collins	rt/psb	\$ 16.00
Consolidated Management Co.	serv	\$ 112.00
Country Partners Cooperative	fuel	\$ 42.21
Coventry Health Care of NE, Inc	ins	\$ 18,479.25
Culligan Water Conditioning	serv	\$ 56.00
Des Moines Stamp	sup	\$ 62.00
Double Tree Hilton	serv	\$ 380.00
Darrell D Drake	rt/psb	\$ 14.00
Dugan Business Forms	sup	\$ 3,576.02
ESRI	serv	\$ 400.00
First Concord Benefits Group LLC	W/H	\$ 16.00
Sharon L. Foth	rt/psb	\$ 16.00
Frontier	tele	\$ 663.43
Galls	sup	\$ 72.87
Genesis Employee Benefits Inc	serv	\$ 292.50
Great Western Bank	serv	\$ 15.00
Grocery Kart	sup	\$ 539.82
Hall Co. Sheriff	fees	\$ 6.50
Kayla Hinrichs	mlg	\$ 129.38
Howard Co. Clerk	serv	\$ 1,295.44
Casey Hurlburt	exp	\$ 59.51
J & J Sanitation Dist. 3051	serv	\$ 29.87
Maxon Leth	rt/psb	\$ 103.86
Lincoln Financial Group	ins	\$ 605.73
Loup Basin RC&D	sup	\$ 60.00
MARC	sup	\$ 208.68
Renae L. Markvicka	rt/psb	\$ 12.00
Maximus	serv	\$ 2,100.00
R. Dale Melia	rt/psb	\$ 23.08
MIPS Inc	serv	\$ 594.58
Central Dist Assessor Assn	dues	\$ 20.00

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NACO Clerk of Dist Ct. Assn	dues	\$	25.00
NACT	dues	\$	75.00
State of Nebr/As Central Services	serv	\$	111.60
Nebraska Law Enforcement Training	serv	\$	200.00
Nebr Tech & Telecom Inc	tele	\$	473.32
Officenet	sup	\$	458.34
Ord Area Chamber of Commerce	dues	\$	110.00
Ord Light & Water	ut	\$	4,427.54
Presto-X	serv	\$	47.25
Protocall	sup	\$	350.00
Quick's Ace Hardware	sup	\$	567.02
Quill Corporation	sup	\$	48.87
Quiz Graphic Arts Inc.	ntc	\$	587.93
Region III Behavioral Health Services	pmt	\$	2,184.73
Region 26 Council	pmt	\$	19,071.77
Donald Severence	rt/psb	\$	34.62
SGS	serv	\$	673.55
Sherman Co. Sheriff	fees	\$	19.00
Sikyta Law Office	atty	\$	762.47
Speed's Apple Market	sup	\$	860.05
TASC	fees	\$	40.00
Deloris M Thompson	rt/psb	\$	14.00
Gerald E. Thompson	rt/psb	\$	57.70
Trotter Service Inc	fuel	\$	293.64
Trotter's Whoa & Go Plaza LLC	fuel	\$	1,225.55
Adeline M. Urbanski	rt/psb	\$	25.00
US Bank-Lockbox CM 9722	pmt	\$	7,050.00
V C ACH HI Buy Down Acct.	ins	\$	4,300.00
V C ACH Warrant Acct.	fica	\$	8,518.78
Valley Auto Parts Inc	pts	\$	95.97
Valley Co. Highway Dept fund	trans	\$	55,852.34
Valley Co. Planning Zoning	trans	\$	3,147.83
Valley Co. Sheriff	pc	\$	40.07
Valley Co. Weed Dept. Fund	trans	\$	1,561.67
Valley Floors	sup	\$	2,750.00
Verizon Wireless	tele	\$	243.14
Wadas Inc	serv	\$	1,088.93
Zee Medical	sup	\$	133.04

**ROAD FUND (0200)**

Payroll	Jan-15	\$	42,874.44
Ameritas Life Ins Corp	rt	\$	2,843.39
Appeara	serv	\$	132.40

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Bauer Built Inc	sup	\$	3,626.88
Card Services	pts	\$	42.38
Charter Communications	ut	\$	32.00
Country Partners Cooperative	fuel	\$	6,194.20
Culligan Water Conditioning	serv	\$	21.00
Danko Emergency Equip CO	sup	\$	218.55
Double Tree Hilton	serv	\$	95.00
Frahm Construction Inc	sup	\$	208.98
Island Supply Welding	re	\$	52.08
Loup Valleys RRP Dist.	re	\$	112.00
Loup Valleys RRP District	ut	\$	300.23
Maschka's Building Center LLC	sup	\$	1.29
Jay T. Meyer	exp	\$	240.00
Midwest Services & Sakes	pts	\$	2,332.10
NMC Exchange LLC	pmt	\$	36,987.39
Nebr. Salt & Grain Co.	sup	\$	1,110.00
Nebr Tech & Telecom Inc	tele	\$	152.86
Officenet	sup	\$	102.88
Ord Light & Water	util	\$	781.98
The Parts Bin Inc.	pts	\$	2,211.52
PowerPlan	pts	\$	1,326.97
Quick's Ace Hardware	sup	\$	252.64
Sack Lumber Co	sup	\$	7.70
Sahling Kenworth Inc	sup	\$	36.85
Staab Welding Inc	rep	\$	84.20
Titan Machinery Inc	pts	\$	429.98
Trotter Service Inc	fuel	\$	247.30
Trotter Tire & Truck Repair	fuel	\$	13,080.59
Valley Auto Parts Inc	pts	\$	722.26
Verizon Wireless	tele	\$	45.00
Randell A Weverka	exp	\$	43.91

**Planning & Zoning (0950)**

Payroll	Jan-15	\$	546.00
Ameritas Life Ins. Corp	rt	\$	36.86
Larry Barta	mtg	\$	20.35
Double Tree Hilton	serv	\$	190.00
Sheri Goodrich	exp	\$	190.88
Crystal L. Lech	mtg	\$	24.95
R Dale Melia	mtg	\$	12.88
Nebr. Planning & Zoning	mtg	\$	35.00
Quiz Graphic Arts Inc	ntc	\$	4.90
Marvin A Scheideler	mtg	\$	21.50

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Orval J. Stahr	serv	\$	2,000.00
Thomas Thompson	mtg	\$	14.60
Linda J. Wadas	mtg	\$	19.78
Jeff Wieskamp	mtg	\$	30.13

**VISITORS PROMOTION FUND(990)**

Flagship Publishing Inc	adv	\$	590.00
Ord Area Chamber of Commerce	pmt	\$	1,500.00

**RELIEF FUND (1500)**

Loup Valley Ag Society	ss/re	\$	750.00
Nebr. DHHS Systems	ss/adm	\$	22.17

**WEED FUND (5400)**

Payroll	Jan-15	\$	1,350.00
Ameritas Life Ins. Corp	rt	\$	91.13
Darrell Kaminski	exp	\$	35.54
Nebr. Weed Control Association	dues	\$	85.00

## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 10, 2015 in the Courthouse Boardroom. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, and VanSlyke present, Waldmann was absent (excused). Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. Minutes of January 27 were approved with a correction on the date the Board is to meet to consider Wozab Applications from March 30, 2014 to 2015, on motion of VanSlyke, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Waldmann. Cullers moved to adopt the agenda, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cullers, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: Waldmann. Sevenker noted posting of Open Meetings Act; public copies available. No Public Comment offered.

Discussion with Jesse Hurt of Olsson Assoc. on additional plating of the Mortensen Industrial Site, included: length of road, drainage issues, second lots for Kokes and Agland are to be an extension of first lots. Following discussion, Baker moved to approve the road design to the mix strip, cut ditch north of Kokes and dump in ROW ditch, second Cetak. Hurt said Jeff will come up after the survey with recommendations. Hurt will contact Planning & Zoning Administrator Goodrich. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Waldmann. Hurt will run a lath line to show where to farm.

On recommendation of Road Supt. Meyer, Easement 15-384 for Rolen Sell was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Waldmann.

Meyer's general report included: spot graveling, if dries up will do more; frost going out so getting soft spots; watching paved roads to see if restrictions are needed; cutting trees; plowed snow last week, some overtime; Jared will overhaul machine 108, have old machine to use until overhaul completed.

Hospital CFO Ashley Woodward presented the monthly report, including: A safety report was presented at the last meeting resulting in some policy updates; the Gala held on Jan. 7 raised \$12,900 toward the purchase of a glide scope; the Child Development Committee held a String Bean Concert at the school; 6 school-to-work kids are working at the hospital; Hilary Miller, M.D. will begin practicing here in August, continuing to work on recruiting another provider; Nursing Home lease still in the works for April or May, contract was signed last December; reviewed December statistics and financials, noting ADC down a bit, radiology doing well, Hospice days up, LTC down, clinic and Home Health up; contract speech therapist and physical therapy benefits positive; purchases and contracted services up from budget; 7.66 million principle and interest paid in December.

Meeting recessed at 10:10 a.m. and reconvened at 10:20 a.m. with all members present.

Treasurer Suminski presented the Month End Fund Report: General \$338,412.70, Road \$159,378.16, Relief \$28,888.46, Inheritance \$1,176,493.71. Suminski noted that \$61,900 of the Inh. Tax Fund is being held in a separate fund until the amount due from the estate or estates involved has been determined. The Delinquent Tax List, published 3 weeks in the Quiz, was reviewed. The Tax Sale will be held the first Monday in March. Tax Sale Companies will take anything over \$400, some get paid at last minute. A new rule for tax sales requires a registration fee of \$25, certification now costs \$20 rather than \$10 and owner redeems \$5 rather than \$2. The Misc. Receipts folder is available for review.

The monthly fee reports for the County Clerk and Clerk of the District Court were reviewed and accepted.

There was no County Attorney report as he was in court in another county.

The reminder of the Central District meeting on March 19 was acknowledged.

Cullers reported that Cassidy's will provide ice tea and lemonade for the Employee Recognition Dinner for an extra \$20. The Board agreed that would be okay. Cassidy's does not provide the table service, so the County will need to purchase paper plates, cups and utensils.

There were no items to come before the Board of Equalization.

Following review, Cullers moved to approve the Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$28,873.80, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Waldmann.

The request to erect a sign on the Courthouse lawn for the Big Give was approved on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Waldmann.

The Board acknowledged the notice of a jail inspection to be conducted by Nebr. Crime Commission, Jail Standards Division on April 13, 2015.

The Board discussed the CNEDD/CNHD letter requesting payment of membership dues, the appointment of an alternate rep for Valley County and noting their plans to begin marketing the down payment assistance program funds currently held by the county. The Clerk will submit a claim for the invoice at the next meeting, and include the appointment of an alternate rep on the next meeting agenda.

The Board reviewed the Conservation Reserve Program Landowner Survey and decided not to participate as they felt it did not apply to the County.

The NIRMA Underwriting Questionnaire completed by the Clerk was reviewed. The Board did not think it was necessary to get a quote for additional limits for Cyber Liability losses.

The Board approved a silent auction in the lobby for surplus property, to be advertised by posting signs in the area. The sale is to be completed in time for the Board to open and review the bids at their March 10 meeting.

Sheriff Hurlburt presented information on the cost of camera/buzzer system for the outside entrance to the Sheriff's Office and the entrance from the Courthouse lobby. The cost estimate from Midland Telecom Inc., including installation, is \$6,280.39. The original door from the lobby would be kept, but security glass and latch would be installed. The dispatcher will be able to communicate with the person seeking entry. The doors will also be keyed and the Sheriff and Deputies will have keys in case of a malfunction or emergency. An estimated amount was included in the Building and Grounds budget. Baker moved to approve the purchase from the Building and Grounds budget and, if necessary, the gift fund, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Waldmann.

Representative Reports included: Cullers reported that Central Community College has agreed to set up a teleconference to determine if they can provide accreditation assistance for certain courses of study listed for the Wozab Scholarship to be taken as an apprenticeship. Cullers reported for Region 3, noting scholarships were given to several central Nebraska counties and Healing Hearts and Families. Region 3 expenditures totaled \$13,358,282, contracted services is the largest expenditure, 3.42% is Administrative.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m., to reconvene on February 24, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session. Complete minutes of the February 10 meeting and an agenda for the February 24 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 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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Jenette G. Lindsey, Valley County Clerk

## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 24, 2015 in the Courthouse Boardroom; Pledge of Allegiance recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, Waldmann, VanSlyke present. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. Minutes of Feb. 10 approved on motion of Cullers, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cullers, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Waldmann abstained, he was absent on Feb. 10. Agenda for Feb. 24 adopted on motion of Waldmann, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Chairman Sevenker noted posting of the Open Meetings Act on the west wall, copies available. No public comment offered.

Chad Dixon of Miller & Associates Consulting Engineers, P.C. was present for discussion of the Invoice received Feb. 9, 2015, in the amount of \$16,729, for services rendered through December 31, 2014. Chairman Sevenker questioned why the listed services were not billed when they were completed and noted that over the past 5 years the county paid \$4,379.50 one year, 2 years there was no expense, \$1,122.50 and 2,233.50 the final 2 years. None of the listed projects included the date the work was done, one legal description was outside the county and charges of \$195 to research plat cabinets on the internet and \$330.00 to attend 2 meetings on the NPPD Muddy Creek project were felt to be excessive. Dixon responded he thought \$65 per hour for his services was very reasonable. The County felt they should have been notified of the projects so that the Road Dept. could attempt to find the missing corner or at least provide County digging equipment to help save costs as other County Surveyors have done in the past. Dixon agreed to provide dates for the billed services and correct the incorrect legal description.

Road Secretary Simpson gave the Road Dept. Claims report for February, larger expenses were for parts, ice slicer and control salt, utilities and red diesel. Payroll totaled \$41,429.48, including \$1000 in overtime, accounts payable \$28,153.47. VanSlyke complimented the Road Crew for getting out at 5:00 a.m. to open roads. Supt. Meyer said they are currently buying fuel on the open market as it is cheaper than contracted fuel; Country Partners requires use of contracted fuel within a certain time frame; electricity use is up due to plugging in the machines at night.

The Public Hearing on the One and Six Year Road Plans was opened at 9:30 a.m. as advertised. No one was present to offer comments. Road Supt. Meyer noted that Form 11 lists completed projects and those that were delayed last year; Form 8 lists the projects on the One Year Plan for 2015 and Form 9 lists the 2015 projects on the Six Year Plan. The One Year Plan projects were reviewed. Meyer said they are waiting on the Corps permit for the Springdale Bridge project. He said he signed the authorization for the permit in November after the bid letting but when he checked with Miller and Associates recently they had failed to send in the permit application. They have now applied, but the Corp has 30 days to request more information and then 15 days to issue the permit. If the Corp has questions on the 28<sup>th</sup> day, the 30 days starts all over again. This could delay the project. Meyer said he will no longer use Miller and Associates due to their failure to apply for the permit in a timely manner and their failure to reset corners on a State Highway project within a reasonable time. The State Roads Dept. ended up resetting the corners on that project. DeRiso moved to approve the One Year Plan, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. Meyer reviewed the projects listed on the Six Year Plan and noted that, if necessary, a Six Year Plan project can be moved to the One Year Plan with approval from the State. Engineering will be needed when replacing a bridge; bridges with less than a 20' span are not inventoried; bridges over that size must be inspected every year. The Federal Buy Back funds will be used for the Springdale Bridge. Baker moved to approve the Six Year Plan, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. The Hearing was closed at 10:00 a.m.

Meyer's General Report included: Jarod began overhaul of Machine 108, saves county money to have work done in-house; maintaining roads this week, cut trees in Mira Valley and Arcadia, pushed snow a couple of days. Meyer noted that, once restrictions are placed, local farmers can get a permit through the Road Dept. DOT will ticket those who violate the restrictions. Have not placed restrictions for the last 2 years and hope to avoid it this year, but will do so if necessary to protect the roads.

Meeting recessed at 10:10 a.m. and reconvened at 10:20 a.m. with all members present.

There was no County Attorney Report.

Reminder of Central District Meeting 3/19/15 in Kearney was acknowledged.

Reviewed information from the Cattlemen's Assoc. on Livestock Friendly designation. The Board felt Valley County is livestock friendly and agreed to wait and see what the Legislature does with regard to the designation.

VanSlyke volunteered to serve as Alternate Rep. on the CNEDD Board. Trevor Lee is the Primary Representative. Cullers moved to appoint VanSlyke as Alternate Representative on the CNEDD Board, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Abstain: VanSlyke, appointee.

Following review, the January Claims and Fund Request were approved in the amount of \$202,836.18 on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker.

The Board acknowledged receipt of Financial Interest Forms required by the Nebr. Accountability and Disclosure Commission with a filing deadline of March 1, 2015.

Discussed Tourism Board request to use Courthouse lawn on June 28 from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. for the Tour de Nebraska bike run. Request approved on motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Courthouse Custodian Vanek will contact requestor Sharon Iwanski for more details.

Representative Reports were heard while waiting for Board of Equalization scheduled at 11:00 a.m.

Baker noted he has been called to an emergency meeting of the Loup Basin Public Health Dept. Board.

Cullers reported she and Baker are working with Central Community College to provide apprenticeship classes so credits can be given for on the job training through the Wozab Scholarship program.

Cullers also reported on planters that would fit the period and style of the Courthouse and are large enough at 41" high and 30" in diameter. They are concrete, the color is similar to the Courthouse and the cost is \$600 for each planter but Cullers thought the price could be negotiated. They would be placed on each side of the west entrance steps. She also noted Bill Karr can make concrete planters and she would like to check into the cost and perhaps place 2 additional planters around the Courthouse. Waldmann moved to authorize Cullers to look into purchase of the 2 concrete planters for \$1000, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

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

Assessor Arnold presented 3 Tax List Corrections for Rolland & Eileen Lech due to an error made in 1971 where the sale of 7.74 acres was not reflected in the Assessor's records. Unfortunately, the law only allows the correction to be made 3 years back for a total refund of \$178.02. Waldmann moved to approve Tax List Corrections #3800 for 2012, #3801 for 2013 and 3802 for 2014, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Arnold presented a listing of preliminary agland values by land classification for Valley County which take effect June 1, 2015. For comparison, preliminary values were also listed for Greeley County and Sherman County. Values are based on a 3 year average of actual sales ending Sept. 30, 2014. The requirement is 69% to 75% and we are at 74%.

The Board moved back into regular session on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

At 11:10 a.m. the Public Hearing was opened to allow residents the opportunity to speak for or against the lease of the County owned Mortensen Farm and East Farm. No comments were offered. James Knapp, Marty Petska, and Kurt Petska were present to bid on the property. Following discussion, the County Board determined the Mortensen Farm lease will be 1 year instead of 3, with 46.94 farmable acres, 60 acres of water and the tenant will continue to pay the water costs. Knapp started the bidding at \$10,000, after a series of bids in \$500 increments, Petska declined to raise Knapp's bid of \$11,500. Waldmann moved to accept Knapp's bid of \$11,500 for 46.94 acres of farm ground and 60 acres of water for 1 year, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Petska was not interested in bidding on the East Farm. The Board would like to transfer 10 acres of water from the Mortensen Farm to the East Farm, resulting in 80 acres of water on the East Farm. Knapp initially offered \$16,000 but after further discussion, raised his bid to \$17,000. Baker moved to approve Knapp's bid of \$17,000 on the East Farm with 80 acres of water for a term of 3 years, tenant pays the water, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. The Board will check with the irrigation district about moving 10 acres of water from the Mortensen Farm to the East Farm. VanSlyke will check on the number of irrigated acres and report at the March 10 meeting.

Mail Folder items: none.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon, to reconvene on March 10, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the February 24 meeting and an agenda for the March 10 meeting

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## Claims

**GENERAL FUND (0100)**

Payroll	Feb-15	Feb-15	\$	71,275.38
Ameritas Life Ins. Corp.	retirement	rt	\$	4,751.44
Doug Anderson	reimb exp	mlg	\$	415.73
Pamella K Arnold	reimb exp	exp	\$	212.83
Larry R. Barta	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	20.00
Benefit Management	services	serv	\$	1,050.00
Michael S. Borders	public defender	serv	\$	2,500.00
Bulldog Direct	supplies	sup	\$	623.00
Capital Business Systems	services	serv	\$	174.76
Cathy's Computer Service	supplies	sup	\$	36.00
Charter Communications	telephone	tele	\$	107.96
Kenneth R. Collins	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	16.00
Country Partners Cooperative	fuel	fuel	\$	19.34
Coventry Health Care of NE, Inc	health ins	ins	\$	19,748.89
Culligan Water Conditioning	services	serv	\$	56.00
Darrell D Drake	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	14.00
Dugan Business Forms	supplies	sup	\$	565.44
First Concord Benefits Group LLC	unreimb. med	W/H	\$	14.00
Sharon L. Foth	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	16.00
Frontier	telephone	tele	\$	686.15
Galls	supplies	sup	\$	17.12
Genesis Employee Benefits Inc	services	serv	\$	292.50
Grocery Kart	supplies	sup	\$	503.75
Kayla Hinrichs	mileage	mlg	\$	307.63
Holt Co. Treasurer	costs	costs	\$	1,589.65
J & J Sanitation Dist. 3051	services	serv	\$	29.88
Kaisha Knutson	reimb exp	exp	\$	174.00
Lincoln Financial Group	li/ltd cs	ins	\$	635.74
Lynn Peavey Company	supplies	sup	\$	64.20
MIPS Inc	services	serv	\$	411.13
Mobile Binders	supplies	sup	\$	178.55
NACO	supplies	sup	\$	27.00
NACO Central Dist. Assn	registration	reg	\$	60.00
NACO Clerks, Reg Deeds, Elec Assn	dues	dues	\$	50.00
State of Nebr/As Central Services	services	serv	\$	111.60
Linda J Nance	reimb exp	exp	\$	29.95
Nebr Tech & Telecom Inc	telephone	tele	\$	497.70
Nebraska.Gov	fees	fees	\$	22.00
Officenet	supplies	sup	\$	987.67
O'Keefe Elevator Service	services	serv	\$	250.83
Ord Glass & Paint	supplies	sup	\$	5,275.00
Ord Light & Water	utilities	ut	\$	5,577.17

Valley Co. Claims February 24, 2015

<b>Claims</b>				
PB Electronics Inc	supplies	sup	\$	140.00
Gary Peterson	ct app/atty	atty	\$	583.76
Pioneer Products	supplies	sup	\$	251.41
Presto-X	services	serv	\$	47.85
Protocall	supplies	sup	\$	350.00
Quick's Ace Hardware	supplies	sup	\$	380.64
Quiz Graphic Arts Inc.	notice	ntc	\$	1,042.90
Jan I Reeves	ct/app atty	atty	\$	80.00
Sack Lumber Co	supplies	sup	\$	660.00
SGS	services	serv	\$	64.75
Sikyta Law Office	ct app atty	atty	\$	20.46
Stowell & Geweke PC LLO	attorney	atty	\$	252.38
TASC	fees	fees	\$	80.00
Deloris M Thompson	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	14.00
Trotter Fertilizer & Propane	fuel	fuel	\$	35.00
Trotter's Whoa & Go Plaza LLC	fuel	fuel	\$	1,092.42
Adeline M. Urbanski	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	25.00
UNL Printing Services	supplies	sup	\$	307.82
Univ. of Nebraska	mlg exp	exp	\$	56.02
US Printer Supplies Inc	supplies	sup	\$	511.82
US Bank-Lockbox CM 9722	payment	pmt	\$	7,050.00
V C ACH HI Buy Down Acct.	h l payment	ins	\$	4,300.00
V C ACH Warrant Acct.	payroll taxes	fica	\$	8,446.83
Valley Co. Health System	services	serv	\$	132.00
Valley Co. Highway Dept fund	levy trans	trans	\$	-
Valley Co. Planning Zoning	levy trans	trans	\$	1,290.65
Valley Co. Sheriff	petty cash	pc	\$	40.07
Valley Co. Weed Dept. Fund	levy trans	trans	\$	1,441.13
Valley Floors	supplies	sup	\$	2,750.00
Verizon Wireless	telephone	tele	\$	243.14
Colton Zulkoski	services	serv	\$	110.00
<b>General Fund Totals (0100)</b>			<b>\$</b>	<b>151,196.04</b>

**ROAD FUND (0200)**

Payroll	Feb-15	Feb-15	\$	41,429.48
Ameritas Life Ins Corp	retirement	rt	\$	2,745.86
Appeara	towel serv	serv	\$	131.33
Card Services	parts	pts	\$	21.87
Charter Communications	internet	ut	\$	32.00
Culligan Water Conditioning	services	serv	\$	21.00
Danko Emergency Equip CO	supplies	sup	\$	254.00
Island Supply Welding	rent	re	\$	52.08
Kokes Repair	supplies	sup	\$	12.78

<b>Claims</b>				
Loup Valleys RRP Dist.	tower lease	re	\$	112.00
Loup Valleys RRP District	utilities	ut	\$	307.37
Maschkas Building Center LLC	supplies	sup	\$	70.62
Jay T. Meyer	reimb exp	exp	\$	211.69
NMC Exchange LLC	payment	pmt	\$	2,097.30
Nebr. Salt & Grain Co.	supplies	sup	\$	4,638.61
Nebr Tech & Telecom Inc	telephone	tele	\$	157.42
Officenet	supplies	sup	\$	54.00
Ord Light & Water	utilities	util	\$	1,025.84
The Parts Bin Inc.	parts	pts	\$	922.55
Quick's Ace Hardware	supplies	sup	\$	545.39
Sack Lumber Co	supplies	sup	\$	58.30
SourceGas	utilities	ut	\$	176.68
Titan Machinery Inc	parts	pts	\$	492.92
Trotter Fertilizer & Propane	supplies	sup	\$	770.92
Trotter Service Inc	fuel	fuel	\$	5,225.40
Trotter Tire & Truck Repair	fuel/rep	fuel	\$	7,128.56
Valley Auto Parts Inc	parts	pts	\$	274.93
Verizon Wireless	telephone	tele	\$	45.17
Wadas Inc	supplies	sup	\$	183.60
Weldon Parts Inc	parts	pts	\$	383.28
<b>Road Fund (0200)</b>		<b>totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>69,582.95</b>

**Planning & Zoning (0950)**

Payroll	Feb-15	Feb-15	\$	1,020.00
Ameritas Life Ins. Corp	retirement	rt	\$	68.85
Sheri Goodrich	reimb exp	exp	\$	249.53
Quiz Graphic Arts Inc	notice	ntc	\$	12.27
<b>P &amp; Z Fund (0950)</b>		<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,350.65</b>

**VISITORS PROMOTION FUND(990)**

Ord Area Chamber of Commerce	payment	pmt	\$	672.00
<b>Visitors Fund Totals (0990)</b>			<b>\$</b>	<b>672.00</b>

**RELIEF FUND (1500)**

Loup Valley Ag Society	ss/rent	ss/re	\$	750.00
Nebr. DHHS Systems	ss/adm	ss/adm	\$	1.58
<b>Relief Fund (1500)</b>			<b>\$</b>	<b>751.58</b>

**INHERITANCE FUND (2700)**

Central Nebr Economic Dev. Dist	dues	dues	\$	2,233.50
Ed Roehr Safety Products	supplies	sup	\$	4,482.13
<b>Inheritance Fund (2700)</b>		<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,715.63</b>

Valley Co. Claims February 24, 2015

**Claims**

**WEED FUND (5400)**

Payroll	Feb-15	Feb-15	\$	1,350.00
Ameritas Life Ins. Corp	retirement	rt	\$	91.13
<i>Weed Fund (5400)</i>	****	<i>Totals</i>	<i>\$</i>	<b><i>1,441.13</i></b>
		<i>Totals</i>	<i>\$</i>	<b><i>231,709.98</i></b>
				<i>total claims</i>

## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 10, 2015 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present. Clerk verified meeting notice published and agenda posted. February 24 meeting minutes approved on motion of Cullers second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Waldmann moved to adopt the agenda, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted; public copies available. There was no public comment.

On recommendation of Road Supt. Meyer, Cetak moved to approve refunding Easement 14-372 for W.O. Zanger & Son, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

Lance M. Harter, President of Oak Creek Engineering, LLC presented 2 Agreements for Professional Services for engineering work, one for 473<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Drainage Recommendation on 473<sup>rd</sup> Ave. from Hwy 70 to 802<sup>nd</sup> Road, the second for Structure No. C008814710 Replacement on 485<sup>th</sup> Ave. on the north side of North Loup. Road Supt. Meyer explained that these preliminary steps for the projects can be done now and the actual projects done at a later time. Spreading out the project costs helps fit them in the budget. The Federal Buyback program funds can be used for these projects, may take 2 or 3 years to save enough to complete these projects. The Structure project is for replacement of a bridge with a concrete deck that is currently posted with a 10 ton limit. Baker moved to approve the Agreement for Professional Services for Structure No. C008814710, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. The Drainage Recommendation is to determine how to alleviate a drainage problem, with either more or larger culverts. Baker moved to approve the Agreement for Professional Services for 473<sup>rd</sup> Ave. Drainage Recommendation, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Discussion was held regarding the number of irrigated acres needed for the County Farm, Mortensen Tract and the East County Farm. Sevenker said he met with the irrigation district regarding the number of acres of water needed for the Mortensen Tract and the East Farm. The County has been paying for 100 acres of water on the Mortensen Tract and would like to keep 60 acres of water there and 80 acres on the East Farm. The irrigation district is meeting this week and will decide if the County can have the water as requested or if a penalty will be assessed. VanSlyke agreed to attend their meeting on Thursday at 1:00 p.m.

Road Supt. Meyer's General Report included: completed sign inventory, \$3800 for signs, \$6000 budgeted, every year signs are stolen or damaged; Jared will complete the overhaul of machine 108 tomorrow; hauling gravel, they are beginning to pump but is a lot of water now, pay by weight, don't want to pay for water so will wait a few days to let it drain; cutting trees, close to 20 miles already this year; took extra tires and doors to consignment auction.

Discussed the new invoice and explanation of charges from Chad Dixon of Miller and Associates. He removed the charge for researching a plat cabinet on the internet. The survey work was performed in 2014 but not billed until 2015. Only 2 of the surveys are stamped by the State Repository. All surveys are sent to the Repository and the Repository sends a stamped copy to the County. Meyer said the surveyor has 90 days to send a completed survey to the Repository. Meyer reported the current County Surveyor, Jesse Hurt of Olsson Associates was doing some work for a private individual in North Loup and found that a County section corner had been set incorrectly at some time in the past and he found where the original corner was set. The County will be getting a bill for his work as

County Surveyor to find the original corner. Sevenker said he would like the Board to make a response to Miller & Associates.

County Weed Supt. Darrell Kaminski was present for consideration of his contract for another year and the annual resolution authorizing him to conduct the business and activity of the Valley County Weed Control Authority except those specifically reserved to the Board and authorizing any Board member, the County Attorney or the Weed Supt. to sign any and all notices sent out as to noxious weeds. Following discussion, Baker moved to accept the Employment Contract for another year, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Resolution 15-03 was approved on motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Hospital CEO Sugg, and CFO Woodward were present to give the monthly Hospital Report. Sugg introduced Randy Kozeal of LTC Midwest, who has purchased the Nursing Home and Kozeal's equity partner, Merlin Brenden, owner of E & A Property Management, LLC, who specializes in real estate development and care for the elderly. The sale closed on March 6, 2015. Kozeal said he is originally from Burwell, currently lives in Wilbur and is excited to partner with VCHS. He has met with NDHHS regarding the licensing and he and Brenden will begin working on a marketing campaign to increase census and community support, including the surrounding counties.

Sugg reported the completion a 2 day retreat for senior management which included review of a marketing plan; volunteer banquet to be held April 14; Big Give coming up and Health Fair; trauma redesignation process completed. Woodward reviewed the financial statistics for January, noting gross patient services, Home Health and Hospice are way up; radiology and lab are also up; contractual adjustments and bad debts are down some; salaries and benefits are okay; Health Ins. is currently below budget; operating expenses exceed budget; non-operating revenues and expenses are related to the grant, received \$25,000 from American Heart Assoc. for EKG that sends information to Good Sam and \$20,000 from Foundation.

Meeting recessed at 10:30 a.m. and reconvened at 10:40 a.m. with all members present.

Kristina Foth presented a list of those who have agreed to serve on the Valley County Visitors Committee: Sharon Iwanski, has agreed to continue to serve; Kathy Studnicka, Deb Kelly, Kelli VanSlyke and Betty Carlson have all agreed to serve. The term of service is 4 years. Foth said she will determine how the terms will be staggered by assigning each new member to replace a former member and complete that specific term. Baker moved to reappoint and/or appoint the persons listed by Foth, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. DeRiso said that Sheri Goodrich indicated to him that she might be interested in serving. Foth said she will contact her.

The purchase of concrete planters to flank the west side entrance steps was discussed: 41" high, 30" diameter, 550 lbs.; cost \$629.99 each; Bill Karr is experimenting at home to see if he wants to try and make some smaller ones; the larger ones would match the period and style of the Courthouse; Cullers noted that area residents sponsored the benches around the Courthouse, maybe they would be willing to sponsor the planters. Waldmann moved to approve purchasing the planters at \$629.99 each, but the motion died for lack of a second. Baker would like to wait to see what Clamp comes up with and he will check a place in Hastings that does cast iron items and uses large molds.

At 11:00 a.m. the Board of Equalization convened on motion of Waldmann, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. The Clerk and Assessor were present.

Assessor Arnold presented Tax List Correction #3803 for Wells Fargo Financial, who made an error in submitting a valuation of \$79,978 which should have been \$648 and requests a refund. The refund amount is \$1916.66. Baker moved to approve Tax List Correction #3803 for Wells Fargo Financial, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker,

Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Tax List Corrections #3804, 3805 and 3806 are to refund taxes collected on a tractor that was listed twice on the property schedule of Mark & Genelle Hackel for 3 years. Cullers moved to approve Tax List Corrections #3804, 3805 and 3806, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

The Board moved back into regular session on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

County Clerk and Clerk of District Court fee reports for February were reviewed and accepted. County Attorney Hanson reported he is working on new legal description for County Farm Lease. The revised County Surveyor invoice from Miller & Associates will be on the next agenda.

Board acknowledged reminders of the Central District Meeting March 19 in Kearney, the Wozab meeting at 7:00 p.m. March 30 and that Financial Interest Statements are due April 1.

Following review, Claims and Fund Request of \$28,464.46 for health and life insurance premiums and the HRA deposit, was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

The letter requesting reimbursement of direct costs for the HHS Office for FY 13-14 was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Invitation of Nebr. Probation Dist. 8 to informational meetings was acknowledged.

DEQ Notice NPDES General Permit for Operations Confining Cattle, Bossen Livestock Co. noted.

VanSlyke reported that a representative of the Cattlemen's Assoc. would like to talk to the Board about the Livestock Friendly designation.

Sevenker reported an invitation from Nebr. Machinery to a trip to Peoria to tour the plant there.

Cullers reported need to paint portion of District Courtroom walls that have been stenciled.

Baker reported that the armor for the District Court bench is here. He and Dan will install it.

Mail Folder items: NIRMA Annual Report, NPPD Muddy Creek Transmission Line meeting

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m., to reconvene on March 30, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. as the Wozab Advisory Committee, March 31, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the March 10 meeting and an agenda for the March 30 and March 31 meetings 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. Complete minutes are also available on the County Website, [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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Jenette G. Lindsey, Valley County Clerk

## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 31, 2015 in the Courthouse Boardroom. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; absent none. Clerk verified meeting notice published; agenda posted. Minutes of March 10 approved on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Waldmann moved to adopt the agenda, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted posting of Open Meetings Act; public copies available on counter.

Under Public Comment, Larry Proskocil presented snapshots of a new entrance sign for the Springdale Hillside Cemetery located 6 miles east of Ord on the Springdale Road. He and other volunteers maintain it. The Board complimented him on the neat appearance of the site and the new sign.

Claims and fund request were first on the agenda due to it being the last day of the month. Following review, Cullers moved to approve March claims and fund request of \$208,611.16, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Secretary Simpson gave the Road Claims & Balances Report for March: Accounts Payable \$28,204.06, Payroll \$41,842.52; larger expenses were parts, filters, rental oil, red diesel, tire repair. County has received Bridge and Street Buyback funds of \$182,536.77 over the last 2 years.

On recommendation of Road Supt. Meyer, Easement Request #15-385 for Nebr. Central Telephone Co. was approved on motion of Cetak, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Jeff Palik and Jesse Hurt of Olsson Assoc. presented information on a grading plan and plat of the Mortensen Industrial Site due to expansion requests of two current lessees. Palik presented and explained the grading plan drawings. It will take 19,000 yards of fill to build up the first 6 lots, there should be enough onsite fill. An agreement should be written up to require future lots to be built up to the planned elevation to avoid drainage issues. Hurt will put in T posts today to mark the drainage ditch. Corey Schaaf will be asked to provide a time frame for his expansion plans. Hurt plans to file the plat by the end of April. The Board agreed that Hurt should complete the Mortensen Site plat.

Road Supt. Meyer's General Report included: corps permit for Springdale Bridge received just in time to begin the project, Hoevet started yesterday; claim for materials will be made in April, final payment claim in May, bridge should be completed by end of April; building new shed between 2 existing salt sheds and adding tin roof; overlay Sargent Road west of Burwell/Arcadia Road, have site distance issues, will tear out trees to correct and take hill down and re-asphalt it; submitted \$400 to County Treasurer for items sold at auction; asphalt prices down 15 cents per gallon; bid with Custer County, ordered 1650 gallons of striping paint and 80 to 100 lbs. of glass beads on State Bid through Merrick County; we go through Custer County to bid culverts, gravel and grader blades.

Ord High School students were touring Courthouse for County Government Day in groups of 8 or 9, stopping in each office and the Boardroom. Chairman Sevenker and Road Supt. Meyer informed students that Valley County has 450 miles of minimum maintenance roads, 62 miles pavement, 70 bridges; \$200,000 is spent on gravel each year; each grader operator covers 60-70 miles of road; overlaying and armor coating costs \$70,000 per mile; \$3800 worth of signs have been ordered, spend \$6000 per year on signs.

Discussed pivot too close to minimum maintenance road, will check to see if Planning and Zoning has setback regs for pivots; Jay will take pictures, contact landowner and County Attorney.

Meeting recessed at 10:15 a.m. and reconvened at 10:25 a.m. with all members present.

Ashley Woodward, Valley County Hospital CFO, reported the Volunteer Banquet will be April 14; annual employee evaluations compare well with employees at like facilities; June 25 is Annual Health Fair; new Ord Clinic hours are 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. to allow for urgent care walk-ins. Reviewed statistics page noting Average Daily Census is down, ER and OR are up; ambulance is owned by the County and managed by

ALS and VCHS; radiology, hospice and home health are up; health insurance costs down; Nursing Home takeover date is June 30; currently have school-to-work students at the hospital.

County Attorney Hanson presented new leases for the East County Farm and the Mortensen Site Farm with updated legal descriptions. Attorney Hanson agreed to send a letter to Miller & Assoc. regarding their billing statement requesting more detail, noting that the Board feels the charge for attending the Muddy Creek Transmission line meeting is not valid and payment for the individual surveys will not be made until a stamped copy is received from the state repository. Hanson will look at procedure for pivots on county ROW, and research county options when a line or pipe is installed across a county road without an Easement.

At 11:00 a.m. the Board of Equalization convened on motion of Waldmann, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. The Clerk and Assessor were present.

Assessor Arnold explained the Rejection of Homestead Exemption for Kenneth Martensen is because the property was transferred to Adam Martensen in March so Kenneth did not own it from Jan. 1 to Aug. 15 as required. Adam can file for the exemption this year.

Tax List Correction #3807 for Dennis Nagorski is needed to correct personal property items that were listed in both Valley County and Custer County and was approved on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

The Board moved back into regular session on motion of Baker, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Treasurer Suminski reviewed the Fund Balance Report for February: General \$152,905.54, Relief \$28,312.07, Inheritance \$1,183,542.72. Suminski noted that Larry Dix of NACO said Inheritance Tax Funds are up due to Ag Land valuations and it is likely there will be Legislative action next year to reduce it. She noted that, while most Courthouse offices will be closed, her office will be open on Arbor Day, Friday, April 24, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. to allow people to pay their taxes, due May 1, 2015. The Certificate closing tax sales was presented, they can still be sold privately. Everything over \$400 was sold. Ten companies participated, and \$45,219.18 was collected, which is about normal. There have been 15 redemptions to date. The Annual Notice of Delinquent Taxes and Assessments was presented, \$9471.03 are unpaid for 2013. No tax sale certificates are due for foreclosure. The Misc. Receipts folder is available for review. Pledge Security from NLVB was released and a new pledge received from Cornerstone Bank.

Diane Wilson and Karl Shaddock of Nebr. Community Foundation presented a Financial Review of the Wozab Fund: how the money is invested, the Wozab's intent, initial amount \$1,219,520, distributions total \$609,116, \$1,314,962 currently invested. The Board had several questions regarding Wozab Grant requests. Grants cannot be made to benefit a business or organization, they must benefit the public and they must be within Valley County. The scholarship funds should be paid to the educational institution, not the student.

Cullers moved to approve the grant awards as recommended by the Valley County Board of Supervisors sitting as the Wozab Fund Advisory Committee, subject to their meeting the requirements, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers.

Mike Wicht and Steven Riley of Prochaska & Associates presented information regarding the need for renovation in the Sheriff's Office. Sheriff Hurlburt was present for the discussion. Recently, a buzzer entry system has been installed for the outside entrance and the Courthouse lobby entrance to provide a secured area. The laundry and restroom facilities are outside the secured area. The kitchen and booking area are too close together, making it hazardous to book prisoners. Due to the age of the facility, these things have been accepted by Jail Standards because they are grandfathered in. The present space cannot be redesigned to meet the requirements. They will require the use of the storage area under the Clerk's Office and access to the ladies public restroom off the Courthouse lobby. Wicht and Riley will draw up a preliminary plan within 60-90 days providing options and costs, with preliminary drawings, for a cost not to exceed \$15,000. Sevenker noted it is important not to destroy historical parts of the Courthouse. Cullers moved to go forward with the preliminary plan for the Sheriff's Office for a fee not to exceed \$15,000, second DeRiso. Carried.

Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. Wicht and Riley will send a letter of agreement.

Legislation regarding Livestock Friendly designation was discussed. Planning & Zoning Admn. Sheri Goodrich was present for the discussion. Goodrich said she provided a copy of the County's Planning and Zoning Regulations to Jim Edwards at his request as he wants to submit it to the state to see if they meet the requirements for Livestock Friendly designation. She told him the regulations were currently being updated but he wanted to submit the current regulations. Goodrich has some concerns on the designation based on information she received at a workshop and the Central District Meeting, in that it appears the County regulations would be trumped by the State regulations. Kate Sullivan has spoken against LB106.

Goodrich said there is nothing in the current Planning and Zoning Regulations regarding pivot setbacks but they are looking at including something in the updated version. They were looking at 10' for the pad and 1' for the stop, the Board requested 10' and 10'. County Board requested copy of the proposed regulations when they are closer to a final draft.

The Board acknowledged notice of the annual Jail Inspection to be held Monday, April 13, 2015.

Jerry Berggren of Berggren Architects sent proposals from Masonry Construction, Inc. to continue the masonry restoration work on the Courthouse. Following discussion, Baker moved to accept Alternate 1 & 2 West Elevation at a cost of \$41,313.00, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Supervisor Baker reported that Bill Brush resigned from the Loup Basin Public Health Board so the County will need to appoint a replacement. He recommended Dr. Julie Stevens and said he had talked to her and she agreed to serve if appointed. Waldmann moved to appoint Dr. Julie Stevens to the Loup Basin Public Health Board, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. A card expressing the County Board's appreciation for Bill Brush's 13 years of service on the LBPH Board was signed by the Supervisors.

Sevenker reported for the Building and Grounds Committee that a tree on the west side of the Courthouse needs to be removed. Leth will cut it down and grind the stump for \$396. Another tree across from Secondhand Rose needs a limb removed, Leth will do it at the same time for \$125. The Board agreed to have Leth remove the tree and the limb for \$521.

Cullers reported attending the Central District Meeting and learning that Medicare pricing helps Counties with prisoner medical costs; definition of a safety vehicle; employees who drive county vehicle to and from work, Attorney Hansen will look at this and report at next meeting; 89 counties lowered tax levy; NACO Health Insurance Plan, Don Sherlock is going to counties that ask to talk about fines for in-lieu payments that are not handled correctly.

Cullers reported for Region 3: highlighted preventative measures on youth suicides; at next meeting will have speaker on project everlast.

Mail Folder items: Jail Standards Training, NIRMA Employment Practices Seminars, NIRMA Notice of possible withdrawal of NIRMA/II Member, NDR State Transportation Improvement Plan.

Meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m., to reconvene on April 14, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the March 31 meeting and an agenda for the April 14 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 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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Jenette G. Lindsey, Valley County Clerk

Valley Co. Claims March 31, 2015

**Claims**

**GENERAL FUND (0100)**

Payroll	Mar-15	Mar-15	\$	72,648.71
Adams Co Clerk of Dist. Ct.	services	serv	\$	407.00
Ameritas Life Ins. Corp.	retirement	rt	\$	4,829.62
Doug Anderson	reimb exp	mlg	\$	403.30
Appeara	supplies	sup	\$	91.88
Pamella K Arnold	reimb exp	exp	\$	83.95
Larry R. Barta	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	20.00
Benefit Management	services	serv	\$	1,050.00
Michael S. Borders	public defender	serv	\$	2,500.00
Bradley,Elsbernd,Anderson etal	ct appt atty	atty	\$	830.00
CableOrganizer.com	supplies	sup	\$	181.09
Capital Business Systems	services	serv	\$	268.00
Central Community College	services	serv	\$	448.00
Charter Communications	telephone	tele	\$	107.96
Clamp Inc	repair	rep	\$	40.00
Collier Lawn Service	services	serv	\$	300.00
Kenneth R. Collins	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	16.00
Country Partners Cooperative	fuel	fuel	\$	28.21
Coventry Health Care of NE, Inc	health ins	ins	\$	19,114.07
Helen Cullers	reimb exp	exp	\$	110.50
Culligan Water Conditioning	services	serv	\$	33.80
Darrell D Drake	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	14.00
EBS Scantacker	supplies	sup	\$	10.50
First Concord Benefits Group LLC	unreimb. med	W/H	\$	10.00
Sharon L. Foth	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	16.00
Fox Inc	supplies	sup	\$	369.98
Frontier	telephone	tele	\$	686.46
Gene's Electric Inc	supplies	sup	\$	72.50
Genesis Employee Benefits Inc	services	serv	\$	292.50
Grocery Kart	supplies	sup	\$	571.99
Kayla Hinrichs	mileage	mlg	\$	297.06
Casey Hurlburt	reimb exp	exp	\$	8.15
ICS Jail Supplies	supplies	sup	\$	266.40
J & J Sanitation Dist. 3051	services	serv	\$	29.88
KNLV AM/FM	services	serv	\$	103.00
Kaisha Knutson	reimb exp	exp	\$	7.59
Lancaster Co. Sheriff	fees	fees	\$	19.82
Lincoln National Life Ins. Co	li/ltd cs	ins	\$	635.74
Loup Valley Ag Society	ss/ rent	rent	\$	750.00
Lynn Peavey Company	supplies	sup	\$	124.90
Mail Finance	rent pmt	rent	\$	780.00
MARC	supplies	sup	\$	1,473.41

Valley Co. Claims March 31, 2015

<b>Claims</b>				
Medical Enterprises Inc	supplies	sup	\$	62.00
MIPS Inc	services	serv	\$	411.13
State of Nebr/As Central Services	services	serv	\$	111.60
Nebr Tech & Telecom Inc	telephone	tele	\$	496.86
Officenet	supplies	sup	\$	640.59
O'Keefe Elevator Service	services	serv	\$	778.40
Ord Glass & Paint	supplies	sup	\$	3,112.00
Ord Light & Water	utilities	ut	\$	4,567.44
The Ord Quiz	subsc	sub	\$	72.00
Platte Valley Communications	repair	rep	\$	222.50
Presto-X	services	serv	\$	47.86
Pro-Tex Central	services	serv	\$	149.00
Protocall	supplies	sup	\$	700.00
Quick's Ace Hardware	supplies	sup	\$	321.28
Quiz Graphic Arts Inc.	notice	ntc	\$	1,251.04
SGS	services	serv	\$	700.40
Speeds Apple Market	supplies	sup	\$	136.37
Shelisa Stam	reimb exp	exp	\$	204.67
Janet Suminski	reimb exp	exp	\$	98.59
TASC	fees	fees	\$	40.00
Deloris M Thompson	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	14.00
Trotter Service Inc	fuel	fuel	\$	57.55
Trotter's Whoa & Go Plaza LLC	fuel	fuel	\$	1,164.87
Adeline M. Urbanski	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	25.00
US Bank-Lockbox CM 9722	payment	pmt	\$	7,050.00
V C ACH HI Buy Down Acct.	h l payment	ins	\$	4,300.00
V C ACH Warrant Acct.	payroll taxes	fica	\$	8,576.44
Valley Auto Parts Inc	supplies	sup	\$	3.99
Valley Co. Highway Dept fund	levy trans	trans	\$	6,384.45
Valley Co. Dist. Ct	fees	fees	\$	137.00
Valley Co. Planning Zoning	levy trans	trans	\$	4,229.55
Valley Co. Sheriff	petty cash	pc	\$	40.07
Valley Thunder Rods & Restoration	repair	rep	\$	59.70
Valley Co. Weed Dept. Fund	levy trans	trans	\$	1,627.13
Verizon Wireless	telephone	tele	\$	232.94
Zee Medical	supplies	sup	\$	147.21
<b>General Fund Totals (0100)</b>			<b>\$</b>	<b>158,225.60</b>

**ROAD FUND (0200)**

Payroll	Mar-15	Mar-15	\$	41,842.52
Ameritas Life Ins Corp	retirement	rt	\$	2,773.74
Appeara	towel serv	serv	\$	130.80
Charter Communications	internet	ut	\$	32.00

Valley Co. Claims March 31, 2015

<b>Claims</b>				
City of Ord	fees	fees	\$	10.00
Culligan Water Conditioning	services	serv	\$	21.00
Island Supply Welding	rent	re	\$	47.04
John Deere Financial Orschelns	supplies	sup	\$	47.84
Kokes Repair	supplies	sup	\$	94.50
Loup Valleys RRP Dist.	tower lease	re	\$	112.00
Loup Valleys RRP District	utilities	ut	\$	300.20
Maschka Building Center LLC	supplies	sup	\$	33.05
Jay T. Meyer	reimb exp	exp	\$	391.36
NMC Exchange LLC	payment	pmt	\$	2,160.19
Nebr Tech & Telecom Inc	telephone	tele	\$	156.40
Newman Traffic Signs	supplies	sup	\$	349.00
Ord Light & Water	utilities	util	\$	737.36
The Parts Bin Inc.	parts	pts	\$	1,295.50
PowerPlan	parts	pts	\$	9,373.86
Quick's Ace Hardware	supplies	sup	\$	1,059.55
Reliable Office Supplies	supplies	sup	\$	114.04
SourceGas	utilities	ut	\$	203.16
Stern Oil Co Inc	supplies	sup	\$	3,537.80
Titan Machinery Inc	parts	pts	\$	18.07
Trotter Service Inc	fuel	fuel	\$	132.05
Trotter Tire & Truck Repair	fuel/rep	fuel	\$	4,616.95
Valley Auto Parts Inc	parts	pts	\$	366.57
Verizon Wireless	telephone	tele	\$	45.17
Weldon Parts Inc	parts	pts	\$	44.86
<b>Road Fund (0200)</b>	<b>totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>70,046.58</b>	

**Planning & Zoning (0950)**

Payroll	Mar-15	Mar-15	\$	888.00
Ameritas Life Ins. Corp	retirement	rt	\$	59.94
Larry Barta	mtg/mil	mtg	\$	40.70
Sheri Goodrich	reimb exp	exp	\$	499.08
Bryan Hawley	mtg/mil	mtg	\$	29.55
Crystal L Lech	mtg/mil	mtg	\$	49.90
R Dale Melia	mtg/mil	mtg	\$	25.76
Marvin A Scheideler	mtg/mil	mtg	\$	43.00
Orval J Stahr	services	serv	\$	2,500.00
Tom Thompson	mtg/mil	mtg	\$	19.20
Don Vancura	mtg/mil	mtg	\$	44.16
Jeff Wiesdamp	mtg/mil	mtg	\$	60.26
<b>P &amp; Z Fund (0950)</b>	<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,259.55</b>	

**VISITORS PROMOTION FUND(990)**

Valley Co. Claims March 31, 2015

<b>Claims</b>				
Flagship Publishing Inc	advertising	ad	\$	590.00
<b>Visitors Fund Totals (0990)</b>		<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>590.00</b>

**VISITORS IMPROVEMENT (0995)**

Ord Area Chamber of Commerce	services	ser	\$	1,000.00
<b>Visitor Improvement (0995)</b>		<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>

**INHERITANCE FUND (2700)**

A J Cetaks Meat Market	supplies	sup	\$	70.78
Cassidy's Backroad BBQ & Grill	services	serv	\$	848.48
Helen Cullers	reimb exp	exp	\$	22.50
Loup Rivers Scenic Byway	dues	dues	\$	25.00
Ord Area Chamber of Commerce	supplies	sup	\$	360.00
<b>Inheritance Fund (2700)</b>		<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,326.76</b>

**WEED FUND (5400)**

Payroll	Mar-15	Mar-15	\$	1,350.00
Ameritas Life Ins. Corp	retirement	rt	\$	91.13
Nebr Weed Control Association	registration	reg	\$	120.00
Ramada Inn	services	serv	\$	66.00
<b>Weed Fund (5400) ****</b>		<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,627.13</b>
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<b>Claims</b>	<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>237,075.62</b>
<i>total claims</i>			

## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 14, 2015 in the Courthouse Boardroom. Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, and Waldmann were present by roll call. Clerk verified meeting notice was published and agenda posted. Minutes of the County Board sitting as the Wozab Advisory Board on March 30 and the County Board Minutes of March 31, corrected to state that Valley County has 450 miles of gravel roads and 100 miles of minimum maintenance roads, were approved on motion of Cullers, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Minutes of both meetings were included in Board packets. The agenda for today's meeting was adopted on motion of DeRiso, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted posting of Open Meetings Act; public copies available on marble counter. No public comment was offered.

On recommendation of Road Supt. Meyer, refunding Easements 14- 373 for Rodney Nagorski and 14-374 for Jim Edwards was approved on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

The deadline to choose a gas supplier is April 23. The old shop building is the only county-owned property that still uses gas. Clerk Lindsey provided pricing information from each company website and reported that the City Office is recommending the low bidder, Constellation. Following discussion, Baker moved to go with Constellation at the 2 year fixed rate of .542, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

The cost estimate from North Loup Public Power & Irrig. Dist. to bury additional pipe and establish a new take out at the Mortensen Site is \$3787.84. Sevenker said he and Meyer met with the NLPPD and they are not charging labor, only cost of materials. Sevenker talked to Schaaf who indicated some time ago that he had purchased a building, but now says he has not and will not be ready to build until after the irrigating season. Kokes said at the outset it would be 3 to 5 years before he was ready to build. The county has invested \$8000 and renegotiated the farm lease. Options include letting Knapp have it for this year and increase the rent, establish the ditch on the east side of the proposed road, charge Schaaf and Kokes farm rent to hold the additional lots, offer other stretch of ground to Petska at same cost bid by Knapp. VanSlyke reported that 2 years notice is required to give up water rights and water rights cannot be transferred from the Mortensen Farm to the East Farm, so water costs will remain the same as last year. Farm rent on the lots would be \$245 per acre for 2.17 acre, so about \$500 per lot. Meyer said he is willing to begin work on the road, but would cost \$6000 to \$8000 on top of what has already been invested and take 14 or 15 acres out of the farm ground and may not be used for 5 years or so. Sevenker felt a written commitment is needed from Schaaf with a date and renegotiate the rent with Knapp. Baker moved to offer the land to Knapp in the absence of a written commitment from Schaaf, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. Will contact the Irrig. Dist. to keep the water rights and hold off on burying the pipe.

Meyer reported maintaining roads this week, hauling gravel, over budget in gravel line item, tore trees out on Sargent Road, claying sand roads if weather permits; this is third time Springdale Bridge has been replaced, in '79 a poured concrete back wall, with footings, was set on an angle, this had to be dug out to put pilings in, slowing progress; Board agreed the county cannot provide gravel on minimum maintenance roads, people need to understand that some roads that look like minimum maintenance roads are actually classified as local roads which the county must maintain.

Meeting recessed at 9:50 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m. with all members present.

Attorney Tom Kruml and Planning and Zoning Administrator Sheri Goodrich were present to discuss a request for a subdivision regulation variance. Kruml said sometimes minimum maintenance roads do not follow the section line due to terrain issues. In this instance the road curves and 2 brothers who own property on each side of the road want to exchange property with each other so that what they own is on

their side of the road. Quit Claim deeds would be a simple way to accomplish the swap, however, this does not meet the requirements of the Planning and Zoning regulations. Goodrich said only the County Board has the authority to grant a variance in the regulations to allow the Quit Claim deed transaction. She also noted that the regulations are currently being reviewed and updated. Baker moved, pursuant to Article 8 of the Subdivision Regulations, to grant the variance on the property in question, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Goodrich noted that a Conditional Use Permit has been requested and public hearings must be advertised and held by Planning & Zoning and by the County Board. She will provide a notice for the County to publish.

The County Clerk and Clerk of the District Court fee reports for March were reviewed.

Treasurer Suminski reviewed the March Fund Balance Report: General \$190,397.18; Road \$251,111.72 which includes the buyback funds for streets and bridges; Visitors Improvement \$9684.67, Visitors Promotion \$5438.44; Inheritance \$1,188,722.08; total collected \$841,000. The County must match the Highway allocation. Interest is due on bonds in May and June. Cullers noted that the Inheritance Tax Fund is sufficient to pay off all of the county's bonded indebtedness if needed. Suminski reported that, due to the timing of the foreclosure, \$96 in taxes for 2014 are due on the Schimenti property that was turned over to the City. By law, the County cannot waive taxes. Although they now own the property, the City did not think they should pay the taxes. Following discussion, Cullers moved to pay the \$96 taxes on the Schimenti property, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, Cullers, Waldmann, Cetak. No: VanSlyke, Baker, DeRiso. Absent: none. Suminski will put in a claim for the \$96.

Jail Standards conducted the annual inspection of the Valley County Jail on April 13, 2015.

There was no business to come before the Board of Equalization.

County Attorney Brandon Hanson reported that he has prepared a letter to Miller and Associates, the former County Surveyor, requesting additional information for the work listed on the \$16,534 invoice the county received. He also noted that the invoice did not conform to their agreement with regard to mileage information and specific dates work was performed.

Discussion was held regarding employee use of county owned vehicles to commute to and from work and whether it should be considered a non-cash taxable fringe benefit. Information was presented from the IRS, a NACO Attorney and Tonniges & Associates, who performs the county audit. Following discussion, the Clerk was directed to contact Chuck Abel for his opinion and check with MIPS on how it would be handled through the payroll system.

Following review, claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$26,346.34 were approved on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Cullers reported for the Wozab Advisory Committee that she contacted the applicants who did not receive funding to explain why their organization or their project did not meet the requirements and all were very understanding and appreciated being informed.

Cullers also reported for Building & Grounds that the 2 planters originally discussed for the west side of the Courthouse are still available in Omaha at \$630 each. They are 41" high, 30" across and weigh 550 lbs. Following discussion, it was agreed to carry this item over to the next meeting.

Baker reported that Loup Basin Public Health Dept. was happy with the appointment of Dr. Julie Stevens to their board.

Sevenker reported for Building and Grounds that Leth was supposed to have removed a tree and trimmed the branch on another last week, but the work was not done.

The Board adjourned to the jail for the quarterly inspection.

Mail Folder items available for review: none.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m., to reconvene on April 28, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the April 14 meeting and an agenda for the April

28 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 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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Jenette G. Lindsey, Valley County Clerk

## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 28, 2015 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. Minutes of April 14 regular meeting approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Agenda adopted on motion of Cullers, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted posting of Open Meetings Act on west wall, public copies available. No public comment.

Road Secretary Simpson reported April Claims & Balances: accounts payable \$99,921.72, payroll \$40,544.30; received \$55,824.27 highway allocation and \$16,490.45 Motor Vehicle Fees; \$16,052.11 was transferred from the General Fund; larger claims reviewed; received bridge and street Buyback of \$182,587, \$55,838.36 paid to Hoevet, \$117,295.64 remains; cost of bridge \$361,661.82, remaining road budget \$244,374.18.

Joel Kokes, Corey Schaaf, Marty Petska and Kurt Petska were present to discuss the work needed at the Mortensen Industrial Site. Schaaf wants a road behind his business to allow trucks to turn around and is willing to pay farm rent on the adjacent lot until he is able to put a building on it, which he thinks will be soon. Kokes is not ready to build on the lot adjacent to him but wants to be sure it is available in the future and is willing to lease it at the farm rate until he is able to build on it. Marty and Kurt Petska are willing to plant test plots on the lot adjacent to them to keep it looking neat. Discussion included: original intent was for industrial development, Road Supt. Meyer has a full schedule this summer; cost to develop road could be 8 or 10 thousand dollars, plan to establish drainage along lot lines currently occupied, turning east at Capital Drive, need culverts both sides of intersection, keep traffic off mix strip, cannot get turn-out in this year, Petska and Knapp already share turn-out, Petska and Knapp can share water costs.

Baker moved to rent the property to Schaaf and Kokes for development and to Petska for test plots, second DeRiso. Discussion included: Sevenker noted Seed Solutions would rent Lots 1, 2 and 3 of the new subdivision and maintain Lot 1 of the old subdivision between Sitz and Seed Solutions; Kokes would rent Lot 4 in the new subdivision; Schaaf would rent Lot 3 and maintain Lot 2 (behind Subconn) of the new subdivision; just had it engineered, will need to meet elevations for any development in order not to create water problems for others. Baker amended his motion to state that Schaaf and Kokes rentals would be permanent, Petska's would be annual, to correspond with rental of the farm ground, second DeRiso. Meyer noted there is not sufficient funds in the culvert and fuel line items of his budget to pay for this work. Sevenker said the Board understands that. The County's policy is to charge the landowner for the cost of the culvert and install it at the County's cost. Schaaf and Kokes agreed to pay for their culverts. The amended motion carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

Gaylord Boilesen, Tom Kruml and Nebr. Distillers Products, LLC representative Telle Manchester were present to discuss a proposal to make cattle feed from the raw distilled grain from the Ethenol Plant. This would create 10 jobs at the proposed facility and 2 or 3 jobs trucking. It would be a 24/7 operation in the summer time, depending on demand. The facility would be located on 811<sup>th</sup> Road, an area zoned by Economic Development and leased to Nebr. Distillers. There would be an estimated 1 million dollar investment in real estate and 6 million in personal property. Road development would be required and it would have to be hard surfaced to hold up to the traffic. Road Supt. Meyer did not feel the County was capable of building a hard surfaced road that would stand up to this type of use. Meyer would prefer road to be concrete, as it would last longer. Manchester noted the road cannot be gravel as they cannot afford the possibility of a rock getting into their extrusion processing

equipment. Boilesen said the state is not planning to do anything with the existing corner. The Railroad is supposed to be here next Tuesday to fix the drainage. Will be some dirt work for the County. Meyer said the County Road Dept. will do what it can to help with the road. Manchester said they would like to be up and running this fall. Boilesen said they hope to start building in July. The building will be 425' X 80'. The trucks load and unload inside the building. There are only 3 facilities like this in the U.S., Lexington, Lyons KS and one in Texas. The road is estimated to cost 60 to 70 thousand dollars. Drainage needs to be fixed on the current road. County would do the dirt work. Cullers moved to go forward with the development of a road for the cattle feed project, second Waldmann. Meyer noted that an engineer needs to be consulted so the contractor knows what to do. He will contact Olsons for engineering as they did the surveying and can check with the state on their ROW. Planning & Zoning Admin. Goodrich noted that the Planning Commission held their hearing on this project last night and the County Board will be holding their hearing on May 12. There was no public comment at the Planning Commission hearing and they were receptive to the plan. Motion Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Planning and Zoning Admin. Goodrich's report included: increased traffic, May 19 public hearing with state, nuisance issue, no dust or noise as fan located away from residences, 8 trucks per day, estimate low impact, flood plain creek divides property mapped as flood plain, landscaping discussed, cover crop, grass, trees for appearance, the Planning Commission moved to recommend approval to County Board. County can do dirt work, but no building can take place until zoning permit hearing is held and the project has been approved.

A recess was called at 10:20 a.m., meeting reconvened at 10:35 a.m. with all members present.

VanSlyke moved to approve the Mortensen Industrial Site Plat from Olsson's and authorize the Chairman to sign it, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso.

Meyer's report on the bridge replacement project included: both abutments are done and they are back filling, slabs will be set tomorrow or Thursday, they are a bit behind schedule, estimate 10 to 15 days out. Cetak moved to approve payment of the application and certification for payment #1 in the amount of \$55,838.96 for bridge replacement, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer's general report included: treat bridge approaches to keep weeds down, costly but effective; started claying 818 road today, bad weather last week, operator training held here last week with Greeley through NIRMA. Motor Grader course late summer/early fall through UNL and LTAP.

Discussed use of County-owned vehicle by Supt. Meyer and Foremen Kolar to drive to and from work. Sevenker noted that the vehicles were provided to Meyer and Kolar because they are called out to investigate hazardous road conditions outside of work hours, however, IRS regulations classify this as a taxable fringe benefit. Meyer said he and Kolar have been made aware of the IRS regulation, recognize the need to comply and feel they are still getting a benefit. Cullers moved to abide by IRS regulations with regard to employee use of employer owned vehicles to commute to work by including on their payroll claim a non-cash benefit of \$3.00 per day that they actually use the employer owned vehicle to commute to work, second VanSlyke. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. This will be effective with the May payroll.

Hospital CEO William Sugg and CFO Ashley Woodward presented the monthly Hospital report. Sugg's report included: two new physicians coming to VCHS, Greg McClanahan in August of 2016, Hilary Millar in August of 2015, and Nurse Practitioner Jane Meyer is returning; LTC partnership continues, Kozeal winding up certification in Omaha, on target for June 30, change makes people nervous, have heard some concerns, this change should help both entities flourish, this is a partnership for the future; going to Washington to advocate for critical access hospitals; walk-in clinic is in 4<sup>th</sup>

week, averaged 30 patients per week, no assigned provider, expanded hours of clinic; Board attended Dept. of Health Alliance Seminar in Omaha, get credit for certification process; July 9 associate picnic, County Board invited; foundation golf tournament July 3; Second Hand Rose has contributed \$205,000 over 10 years; celebrated volunteers with banquet; VCHS Home Health in 11 counties now.

Woodward's financial report for March included: budget process beginning, working to get couple more specialty Doctors, acute and swing bed stats are down, ER, Radiology, Home Health and Hospice are all up, Physician Clinic also up; treatment rooms do well, net income of \$949,000.

Jim Edwards was present to discuss Livestock Friendly Designation for the County. He is a member of the Cattleman's Association, who are in favor of the designation. He introduced Steve Martin of the State Dept. of Agriculture who said 29 counties have the designation, 5 more are awaiting approval and 4 to 5 more are applying. The purpose of the designation is so that Economic Development can make the statement that agriculture and livestock are the number 1 industry in the county. The county decides how to use the designation. County submits their zoning regs and the zoning permits granted and denied for the last 2 years with their application and they are evaluated to determine if the county meets 6 criteria, they don't have to meet all 6 to be accepted. If they are accepted for the designation, they are asked to submit an annual report outlining any changes in their regulations. Sevenker asked if the Livestock Friendly Designation came about because the counties weren't doing it right. Martin said the Legislature passed laws allowing zoning, in the late 90's hog development began and became big, zoning regs began to be used to keep them out. This impacted poultry too. The designation process was a response to what was felt to be inconsistent decisions. DeRiso asked about LB106 taking zoning regulations from counties. Martin said the benefit is in promoting yourself; allows ED to talk about that. They get calls from businesses asking about counties to locate in and they do national and international promotion. Laura Field and Christen Hassebrook, who are employed by the Cattlemen's Assoc., keep track of legislative action for the association. LB106 is not tied to livestock friendly designation. The matrix will be created but not required for use. They supported LB106 in its original form and also support the amended version. Edwards suggested that the County send in an application and a copy of their regulations and see if they comply. If they do, the Board can decide if they want the designation or not. Nebraska Farm Bureau is supportive.

County Attorney Hanson reported that there appears to be no statutory regulation on what Inheritance Tax Funds can be used for.

Courthouse planters and landscaping were discussed. Cullers reported that she checked with Dale Zadina regarding use of the remaining contributed funds for planters at the east courthouse entrance. Zadina was agreeable and offered an additional \$1000 to cover the delivery and set up. Due to the size of the Courthouse, Cullers is suggesting a grouping of 3 planters on each side of the steps. Transport would be \$504, set up \$84 per hour for 2 men. She wants to confirm that the \$84 per hour is only for set up time, not for the trip. Baker moved to go ahead with 3 pots on each side, including delivery and set up, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Waldmann willing to donate \$500 to project if needed.

Leth is doing the tree work today.

Following review of the Claims List, VanSlyke moved to approve the Claims and Fund Request for April, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

Notice of the Board of Equalization Workshop to be held on May 14 at the Kearney Holiday Inn and the County Board Workshop to be held June 10-12 at the Kearney Holiday Inn was acknowledged.

Cullers reported for the Wozab Fund for the quarter ending March 31: income \$18,184, expense \$3730, balance \$1,310,148.87.

DeRiso reported attending his first Mid Plains meeting as the Valley County Representative. They have 73 employees, some fringe benefits have been cut, they are always looking for foster parents; average stay is 36 days, not a lot of usage in our area, meet again in July.

Mail Folder items: Wozab Award Thank You, LLNRD Vehicles for sale.

Meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m., to reconvene on Tuesday, May 12 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the April 28 meeting and an agenda for the May 12 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 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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Jenette G. Lindsey, Valley County Clerk

## Claims

**GENERAL FUND (0100)**

Payroll	Apr-15	Apr-15	\$	69,403.76
Ameritas Life Ins. Corp.	retirement	rt	\$	4,607.61
Anderson Pharmacy	supplies	sup	\$	7.59
Doug Anderson	reimb exp	mlg	\$	474.38
Pamella K Arnold	reimb exp	exp	\$	94.18
Larry R. Barta	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	20.00
Benefit Management	services	serv	\$	1,050.00
Michael S. Borders	public defender	serv	\$	2,500.00
Capital Business Systems	services	serv	\$	52.65
Charter Communications	telephone	tele	\$	107.96
Kenneth R. Collins	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	16.00
Country Partners Cooperative	fuel	fuel	\$	22.49
Coventry Health Care of NE, Inc	health ins	ins	\$	17,844.43
Credit Management	fees	fees	\$	718.98
Darrell D Drake	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	14.00
First Concord Benefits Group LLC	unreimb. med	W/H	\$	10.00
First National Bank	fees	fees	\$	15.00
First National Bank in Ord	amb pmt	pmt	\$	28,831.84
Sharon L. Foth	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	16.00
Frontier	telephone	tele	\$	686.50
Genesis Employee Benefits Inc	services	serv	\$	292.50
Grocery Kart	supplies	sup	\$	628.43
Kayla Hinrichs	mileage	mlg	\$	220.80
Howard Co Clerk	vc share exp	fees	\$	1,701.80
J & J Sanitation Dist. 3051	services	serv	\$	29.88
Kokes Repair	repair	rep	\$	28.90
Lincoln National Life Ins. Co	li/ltd cs	ins	\$	619.11
Loup Valley Ag Society	ss/ rent	rent	\$	750.00
MIPS Inc	services	serv	\$	403.63
Munson & Peterson	ct app/atty	atty	\$	404.05
NACO	registration	reg	\$	65.00
NACT	registration	reg	\$	125.00
State of Nebr/As Central Services	services	serv	\$	111.60
Nebr Tech & Telecom Inc	telephone	tele	\$	495.83
Officenet	supplies	sup	\$	868.76
Olsson Associates	services	serv	\$	7,341.40
Ord Light & Water	utilities	ut	\$	3,928.94
Ord Post Office	postage	pstg	\$	58.90
Presto-X	services	serv	\$	48.46
Quick's Ace Hardware	supplies	sup	\$	468.55
Quiz Graphic Arts Inc.	notice	ntc	\$	691.63
Region 26 Council	payment	pmt	\$	19,071.77

<b>Claims</b>				
RR Donnelley	supplies	sup	\$	81.78
Joan Scott	reimb exp	exp	\$	70.00
SGS	services	serv	\$	59.00
Robert D Sevenker	reimb exp	exp	\$	42.79
Sherman Co Times	supplies	sup	\$	25.46
Speeds Apple Market	supplies	sup	\$	661.33
Stowell & Geweke PN LLO	ct app/atty	atty	\$	943.92
Janet Suminski	reimb exp	exp	\$	108.63
Deloris M Thompson	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	14.00
Total Funds by Hasler	postage	pstg	\$	2,000.00
Trotter Service Inc	fuel	fuel	\$	237.69
Trotter's Whoa & Go Plaza LLC	fuel	fuel	\$	1,121.47
Adeline M. Urbanski	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	25.00
US Bank-Lockbox CM 9722	payment	pmt	\$	7,050.00
US Post Office	postage	pstg	\$	147.00
V C ACH HI Buy Down Acct.	h I payment	ins	\$	4,300.00
V C ACH Warrant Acct.	payroll taxes	fica	\$	8,239.31
Valley Co. Dist. Ct	fees	fees	\$	32.00
Valley Co. Health System	services	serv	\$	46.00
Valley Co. Highway Dept fund	levy trans	trans	\$	16,052.11
Valley Co. Planning Zoning	levy trans	trans	\$	1,292.62
Valley Co. Sheriff	petty cash	pc	\$	59.07
Valley Co. Treasurer	re taxes	tax	\$	5,446.95
Valley Co. Weed Dept. Fund	levy trans	trans	\$	1,510.13
Verizon Wireless	telephone	tele	\$	200.46
<b>General Fund Totals (0100)</b>				<b>\$ 214,615.03</b>

**ROAD FUND (0200)**

Payroll	Apr-15	Apr-15	\$	40,544.30
Ameritas Life Ins Corp	retirement	rt	\$	2,686.12
Appeara	towel serv	serv	\$	136.25
Charter Communications	internet	ut	\$	32.00
Country Partners Cooperative	fuel	fuel	\$	9,292.33
Ed Hoevet Excavating	services	serv	\$	55,838.96
Island Supply Welding	rent	re	\$	52.08
J & S Diesel Service Inc	repair	rep	\$	1,418.92
John Deere Financial Orschelns	supplies	sup	\$	277.30
Loup Valleys RRP Dist.	tower lease	re	\$	112.00
Loup Valleys RRP District	utilities	ut	\$	165.80
Maschkas Building Center LLC	supplies	sup	\$	971.13
NMC Exchange LLC	payment	pmt	\$	96.95
Nebr Tech & Telecom Inc	telephone	tele	\$	158.28
Newman Traffic Signs	supplies	sup	\$	3,505.58

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				<b>Claims</b>
Officenet	supplies	sup	\$	274.47
Ord Light & Water	utilities	util	\$	830.79
The Parts Bin Inc.	parts	pts	\$	1,503.55
Plains Equipment Group	parts	pts	\$	480.60
Quick's Ace Hardware	supplies	sup	\$	227.65
SourceGas	utilities	ut	\$	36.64
Staab Welding Inc	repair	rep	\$	20.50
Titan Machinery Inc	parts	pts	\$	119.63
Trotter Fertilizer	supplies	sup	\$	1,263.50
Trotter Tire & Truck Repair	fuel/rep	fuel	\$	4,939.54
Ulrich Gravel Inc	supplies	sup	\$	14,481.95
Valley Auto Parts Inc	parts	pts	\$	397.23
Verizon Wireless	telephone	tele	\$	45.17
Jerry Zulkoski	reimb exp	exp	\$	556.80
<b>Road Fund (0200)</b>		<b>totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>140,466.02</b>

**Planning & Zoning (0950)**

Payroll	Apr-15	Apr-15	\$	948.00
Ameritas Life Ins. Corp	retirement	rt	\$	63.99
Larry Barta	mtg/mil	mtg	\$	20.35
Sheri Goodrich	reimb exp	exp	\$	165.58
Bryan Hawley	mtg/mil	mtg	\$	29.55
Crystal L Lech	mtg/mil	mtg	\$	24.95
R Dale Melia	mtg/mil	mtg	\$	12.88
Quiz Graphic Arts	adv	adv	\$	24.54
Marvin A Scheideler	mtg/mil	mtg	\$	21.50
Tom Thompson	mtg/mil	mtg	\$	19.20
Don Vancura	mtg/mil	mtg	\$	22.08
<b>P &amp; Z Fund (0950)</b>		<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,352.62</b>

**VISITORS PROMOTION FUND(990)**

Flagship Publishing Inc	advertising	ad	\$	590.00
<b>Visitors Fund Totals (0990)</b>		<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>590.00</b>

**VISITORS IMPROVEMENT (0995)**

Ord Area Chamber of Commerce	services	ser	\$	1,500.00
<b>Visitor Improvement (0995)</b>		<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,500.00</b>

**RELIEF FUND (1500)**

Nebr. Dept. HHS	ss/admin	ss/ad	\$	14.25
<b>Relief Fund (1500)</b>		<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>14.25</b>

**INHERITANCE FUND (2700)**

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Claims				
Ed Roehe Safety Products	supplies	sup	\$	101.20
<b><i>Inheritance Fund (2700)</i></b>		<b><i>Totals</i></b>	<b><i>\$</i></b>	<b><i>101.20</i></b>

**COURTHOUSE BOND FUND (3000)**

First National Bank	int. payment	int	\$	7,295.00
<b><i>Courthouse (3000)</i></b>		<b><i>Totals</i></b>	<b><i>\$</i></b>	<b><i>7,295.00</i></b>

**WEED FUND (5400)**

Payroll	Apr-15	Apr-15	\$	1,350.00
Ameritas Life Ins. Corp	retirement	rt	\$	91.13
Ramada Inn	services	serv	\$	69.00
<b><i>Weed Fund (5400) ****</i></b>		<b><i>Totals</i></b>	<b><i>\$</i></b>	<b><i>1,510.13</i></b>

<i>Claims</i>	<i>Totals</i>	<i>\$ 367,444.25</i>
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*total claims*

## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Monday, May 12, 2015 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. Cullers noted a correction to the April 28 minutes in that the planters are to be on the west side of the Courthouse, not the east side. Minutes approved as corrected on motion of DeRiso, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Agenda adopted on motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. Chairman Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies available on counter. No public comment was offered.

Julie Brooker from Senator Deb Fischer's Office introduced herself to the Board and said she will be down in the Courthouse lobby to take questions and comments from the public until 10:30 a.m. Senator Fischer has 4 offices in Nebraska, Kearney, Omaha, Lincoln and Scots Bluff. After discussion on the time it takes for the Board packets to be delivered by mail, going from here to Omaha and back again, the question was asked why the local mail could not stay here to be delivered. Brooker noted that mail is delivered by a Federal Agency but she will inquire on behalf of the public. VanSlyke noted he is the County Board Representative on the Region 26 Emergency Management Board and asked why cell phone charges cannot be increased to help cover costs that are continually rising. He said Region 26 only gets 35 cents on the dollar. Brooker said she will research the issue. Cullers said there should be disclosure of the amount of cell phone funds and how they are being spent. Brooker said the Nebr. Public Service Commission had a hand out on this at one time. Brooker is here from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and in Greeley this afternoon. Her office is in Kearney and she is available to answer questions. She handed out contact information to the Board. Process allowing Veterans to use local hospitals and nursing homes was discussed, Brooker said Roger Linke provides their VA info. Cullers noted budget and national security concerns and Brooker said Senator Fischer shares those concerns.

Road Supt. Meyer recommended approval of the requested Easement refunds. Discussion was held regarding whether the \$100 fee was enough. VanSlyke said Sherman County charges more and does not refund. Meyer noted the county has no policy to hold people accountable if they fail to get an Easement before installing electrical or water lines across a county road. County Attorney Hanson recommended setting up a policy with a punitive angle; the Board could pass a resolution. Baker moved to approve Easement refunds 14-375 for John McCarville, 14-376 for Aaron Jacobs, 14-377 for Stanley Nolte and 14-378 for Brian Petska, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Agenda item 9A2 will be heard at 10:00 a.m.

The Public Hearing on the Conditional Use Permit Application for Nebr. Distillers Products, LLC was opened at 9:30 a.m. Said hearing was published as required and adjacent landowners notified by mail. Nebr. Distillers is requesting to establish land use for processing distillers into marketable pellets for feeding livestock on a portion of land described as a tract of land located in the NE ¼ of the SE ¼ of 32-19-38 and a tract located in the NW ¼ of the SW ¼ of 33-19-13. The Hearing is to provide information on the request and allow the Board and the public to ask questions. Present for the hearing were Telle Manchester of Nebr. Distillers Products, LLC, Gaylord Boilesen, Tom Kruml, and Valley County Planning & Zoning Admin., Sheri Goodrich. No one was present to testify against the proposal. VanSlyke asked if there would be an odor, Manchester said nothing different than the ethanol plant. Boilesen said they will not be cooking their product as the ethanol plant does, so, there should be no odor. Boilesen also noted there should be no dust; their pellets are at 12 % dryness; they do not use a fan; the product is squeezed and the water converted to steam; can use dry or modified;

Ravenna is wet. Goodrich noted there was no public comment at the public hearing held by the Commission. They discussed the proximity to residents and the school bus stop, the increase in traffic is estimated to be 8 trucks per day. Noise should not be an issue as the fan is located on the east side, toward the creek. The location is within the mapped flood plain. Landscaping will need to be maintained. The Commission moved to approve the project and bring it to the County Board with their recommendation of approval. NPPD may be able to get power to them so a substation may not be needed. They will be on city water line. Public Hearing was closed at 9:40 a.m. DeRiso moved to approve the Conditional Use Permit Application submitted by Nebr. Distillers Products, LLC, as recommended by the Planning Commission, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Goodrich will sign the approval and will need a copy of the minutes showing County Board approval.

Jeff Palik of Olssons presented an aerial view of the property to be used by Nebr. Distillers Products, LLC, including 811<sup>th</sup> Road, which is to be paved from Hwy 11 across the tracks to the driveway, about 800 or 1000 feet; the existing section line falls on the south side of the existing road, it will need to be re-centered on the section line; there is a live power line on the section line which is a concern, others include the RR crossing and the state ROW; steep angle onto state highway needs to be realigned; need to investigate ROW, may need additional ROW from landowners; have not heard back from RR regarding cost of concrete crossing, he estimates about \$20,000; looking at raising grade and extending culvert to address drainage issues, need to clean out ditch on RR property and Road 811; Olssons proposal for survey and engineering includes all items discussed and the permitting process with the RR; his best guess is overall construction costs of \$200,000, concrete could cost \$80,000; may need to move power line and relocate fire hydrant; next Tuesday NDOR has public meeting on the North Loup to Ord Highway project, Jay talked to Woodgate who said the intersection will remain as it is; RR is sending draft agreement to Palik, he and Hurt will sort out the ROW; discussed additional means of funding, ED already has two big projects; oiling the road would not necessarily be cheaper and the truck traffic would be hard on asphalt; Palik suggested the Board approve the survey portion now to get a better idea of the what the project would entail at a cost of \$3100; the remaining services of Olssons would include civil design, not to exceed \$18,200, and the bid process at \$2300 for a total of \$23,600. Boilesen noted that Nebr. Distillers Products would be willing to pay for half of the survey. Following discussion, Cullers moved to go forward with the survey phase, half to be paid by Nebr. Distillers Products, LLC, second Baker. Further discussion included: Palik will report back to the Board on June 9, Nebr. Distillers wanted to be up and running by fall, likely be July or August start date even if everything were approved today. The motion carried: Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Waldmann noted development projects like this help with tax relief. Palik will get an agreement sent up for signatures.

Meeting recessed at 10:25 a.m. and reconvened at 10:30 a.m. with all members present. Meyer's General Report included: started at Mortensen Site last Tuesday, north-south Industrial Drive first, start Capital Drive, done in a day or 2; Cody has to move stuff first as he is using the next property; project completed in another 4-5 days if weather is good; Cory and Joel will get culverts, county will install; silt fencing installed and seed; discussed use of Inheritance Tax to pay for this project; he is tracking hours; will only gravel what needs gravel and maintain the rest; will have to hard surface next year, out of time this year; ordered ROW signs; Corey has seeded alfalfa already, Knapp will lose 20 feet where pipe is laid; will cut trees in drainage ditch north of Cody's; okay to tell irrigation district to bury pipe when they can; will barricade so can't drive on mix strip; Jesse Hurt of Olssons was out and gave bench marks for new buildings' rough elevation; west approach poured, working on east side of bridge and guard rail, county hauling asphalt for the bridge project; maintaining between rains; turbo blew up on truck 315, repair cost \$4500; installed a couple of culverts and couple of extensions; claying on 818 Road, half done, out of clay, looking for more, 200 loads to finish, dirt was free; hauling

gravel; motor grader training May 27 and 28, 2 day course; road employee routes include: Doug, Springdale and Hwy 70 NE; Jerry, Springdale and short roads Haskel Creek and East River Road; Adam, NW Elyria and Fort Road; Zeke, Comstock Road; Randy, 9 Mile Road south to Arcadia and South to county line; Wade, east Arcadia and north Arcadia to Bredthauers and Mrs. Foth; Bud, L shape south of North Loup to the Ethanol Plant; Gary, Mira Valley; Duane, W of Hwy 70, north to Comstock Road; Larry, Maiden Valley and roads in town by Marty Petska; Meyer tries to give same day service if possible when he receives a call; rain helped some soft spots.

The County Clerk and Clerk of District Court fee reports for April were reviewed.

Treasurer Suminski reviewed the Fund Balance Report for April: General Fund \$810,839.88; Grand View, Ethanol Plant, and 3 Rolling Hills' projects are TIF projects so the taxes are paid toward their bond, Grandview has about a year left; donation fund has \$1951 left; \$5,870,000 taxes were collected in April; Inheritance Tax Funds of \$61,980.51 are marked hold until the amounts have been verified, at which time they will be deposited in the Inheritance Tax Fund; Pledge Securities for the month included \$2,000,000, \$800,000, \$1,200,000 and finally a transfer to NPAIT to provide sufficient security for the funds.

At 11:05 a.m., the Board of Equalization was convened on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. The Clerk and Assessor were present.

Assessor Arnold presented Tax List Correction #3808 for Turf Pro Sprinkler Co. in the amount of \$62.26, due to the sale of the business after the 1<sup>st</sup> of January. Tax List Correction #3808 was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

Dates to hear property tax protests were set for regular meeting days, June 30 and July 14 and an evening session, if needed, on July 13 at 7:00 p.m. on motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

Arnold presented Preliminary Valuations for 2015: Real Property \$909,268,340, Personal Property 62,114,855 (as of 5/6/15), Personal Property Ethanol Plant 11,397,754. Personal Property was up from last year, but growth was down.

TERC Findings and Orders notice indicates that no adjustment to the value of any class or subclass of real property in Valley County is needed this year.

Arnold reported GIS offered a 3 year contract for their services at \$11,740 per year. Last year they charged \$11,536. GIS provides maintenance for the website that provides information on properties in Valley County. The website is available for public use to get information or view properties. They can zoom in for a close-up view to see if there are new buildings. The site is [valley.gisworkshop.com](http://valley.gisworkshop.com). The Board felt the contract decision was up to Arnold.

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

County Attorney Brandon Hanson reported that he prepared new leases for the County Farm but the amounts per acre don't add up to the bid and it is not clear as to which additional Mortensen Industrial site lots are being rented and which are just being maintained. Following discussion, it was decided to ask Knapp, Petska, Kokes and Schaaf to attend the May 26 meeting and clarify the rental amounts, the maintained lots, and the water costs.

Following review of the Claims List, Baker moved to approve the Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$27,502.16, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Steve Riley and Paul Ryan of Prochaska & Assoc. were present to view and further evaluate the Sheriff's Office in order to prepare a plan to address the issues Sheriff Hurlburt has brought forward to the Board. They will prepare a short term option and a long term option. They are sending out questionnaires for the Sheriff, his staff and the County Clerk to complete and will meet to review the completed questionnaires on May 26. They will also update the Board on the 26<sup>th</sup>. They asked and were given permission to take the Courthouse blueprints and make copies of them and also put them on a disc to be given to the County.

Jail Standards Inspection Report reviewed, County was found to be in full compliance.

It was discovered that the term of Hospital Board member Gary Garnick expired on April 30, 2015. Following discussion, VanSlyke moved to reappoint Garnick to the Hospital Board of Trustees, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Clerk Lindsey offered her apologies for not having caught the expiration of Garnick's term prior to its actual expiration. Several ideas were discussed to assist in bringing Board member term expirations to the Board's attention more timely. The Board felt it would be good policy to advertise open positions.

Cullers reported for Building & Grounds that there will be 6 planters, 3 on each side of the Courthouse at a cost of \$2519.94. The planters will be delivered and set up for a flat fee of \$800, bringing the total cost to \$3319.94. The Treasurer shows \$1951 remaining in the donation fund, Dale & Janie Zadina have donated \$1000 to this project and Pat & Kathy Waldman have donated \$500, for a total of \$3451, which leaves about \$132 for plants. Lisa at Elyria Gardens will choose and arrange the plants. The Board expressed their appreciation to the donors.

Baker reported for Loup Basin Public Health Dept.: met last night and all is going well following appointment of Dr. Julie Stevens to the Board.

Sevenker reported for Building & Grounds that Custodian Vanek poured cement slabs for the new planters.

VanSlyke reported for Region 26 that Valley County's share of the costs will go up \$5500 for the new FY and, at the same time, they will be paying their employees a set amount toward the purchase of their own health insurance.

Mail Folder items: Wozab Thank You Notes, American Funds Semi-annual Report, NDOR Public Meeting re: North Loup to Ord Project.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p. m., to reconvene on May 26, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the May 12 meeting and an agenda for the May 26 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 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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Jenette G. Lindsey, Valley County Clerk

## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 26, 2015 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present, Baker absent due to illness. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. DeRiso moved to approve minutes of May 12 meeting, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Baker. Agenda adopted on motion of Cullers, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted, public copies available on counter. No public comment.

Secretary Simpson gave the May Road Claims and Balances Report: Accounts Payable \$162,415.53, Payroll \$40,423.92; larger expenses include truck tires, clear diesel, bridge replacement, engineering services, grader blades, filters, batteries, turbo kit, cooler, parts, red diesel, and gravel. All Bridge Buyback funds are spent and a portion of the Street Buyback funds were used on the bridge replacement, as it is allowed to use street funds for bridges, but not bridge funds for streets. The amount of \$20,985.02 is owed to Hoevet for the bridge project. The budget line item for gravel is over \$35,000, fuel line item is okay. Part of the amount owed to Hoevet is the 10% retainage. Meyer said there may be ½ dozen bridges in Valley County that should be replaced, he plans to begin replacement program over the next 10 to 15 years. Some are structurally sound, but too narrow for machinery in use today. Gravel bids set for June 30, 2015 at 9:30 a.m., on motion of Cullers, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker. On recommendation of Supt. Meyer, Application and Certification for Payment #2 from Miller & Assoc. for Ed Hoevet Excavation in the amount of \$96,310.62 for BR 2005P replacement was approved on motion of Waldmann, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Meyer's General Report included: new bridge opened Friday, seeding and other miscellaneous work left to do; motor grader training tomorrow and Thursday, Greeley County is participating, will be held at the shop, training put on by UNL LTAP Program, no cost to county, there is a short course (2-3 days) and a long course (3-4 days); hauling gravel, rains take toll on roads, some are good, some not; blading and hauling gravel today, appreciate public's patience; Sevenker received request for gravel on road by Sullivan Ranch, Meyer will look at it; Surveyor Jesse Hurt has partial survey done, State Dept. Roads meeting last week indicated no improvement on intersection, DeRiso discussed with State Dept. and no 90 degree approach is being considered now, they have ROW but have left it out of design, same on Knapp's, RR does not want 2 crossings within a quarter of a mile of each other, State needs to look at Ethanol Plant and the new Distiller's road; Gaylord Boilesen said at the last meeting that they would pay half the cost of the road.

Curt Petska was present for Seed Solutions and had talked to Corey Schaaf and Joel Kokes regarding the Mortensen Industrial Site leases. Discussion of the Industrial Site leases and the Farm lease included: Sevenker noted Knapp leased 46.94 acres for farming, Seed Solutions will rent lots 1, 2 and 3 in the new subdivision at the farm rent rate of \$245 per acre on an annual basis and will maintain vacant lot 1 of the 3rd Subdivision, which is adjacent to Seed Solutions; Kokes will rent lot 4 of the new subdivision at the farm rent rate of \$245 per acre until such time as he is able to develop it; Schaaf will rent lot 3 of the new subdivision at the farm rent rate until such time as he is able to develop it and will rent lot 2 of the new subdivision at the farm rent rate on an annual basis and plant it and the adjacent dryland area to alfalfa; County Attorney Hanson will draw up the leases. VanSlyke said he thinks the 10 acres of water can be switched and that the Irrigation District can sell the 40 acres. Knapp will pay for 70 acres and 60 acres of water and the County will pay for 40 acres. Meyer will install culvert on end of Capital Drive on east side so Knapp has access for farming. Meyer said

Industry Drive is about done and Capital Drive is close, about 3 days of work left, will gravel Capital Drive. Schaaf had pivot support pipe with yard of concrete in each on the ROW. Sewer and leach field is off ROW to south but is close to line, drains into ditch. Petska suggested the annual bid date be in August or Sept. Farm lease will go back to 3 years after this year. Kokes and Schaaf will continue to rent annually until their lots are developed, rent to be based on farm rent. Discussed "roll-over" lease, Attorney Hanson will check into requirements. County Farm bids will be taken in Sept.

Kristina Foth informed the Board that Kathy Studnicka of North Loup has resigned from the Visitors Committee and a replacement needs to be appointed. Jane John was present to indicate her interest in serving on the Committee. The remaining members are: Sharon Iwanski, Deb Kelly, Kelli VanSlyke, and Betty Carlson, with Trevor Lee and Kristina Foth also participating. Following discussion, Cullers moved to appoint Jane John to the Tourism Committee, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Baker. The term is 4 years.

The meeting recessed at 10:08 a.m. and reconvened at 10:15 a.m. with all members present.

VanSlyke moved to approve the Letter of Agreement submitted by Olsson Associates to provide topographic survey services for the Ethanol Plant Road Paving at a cost of \$3,100, of which Gaylord Boilesen has agreed to pay half, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Baker.

There was no business to come before the Board of Equalization.

The copy of the application for a Construction and Operating Permit for Jackson Feedlot received from Nebr. DEQ will be carried over to the next meeting as Planning & Zoning Adm. Sheri Goodrich is unable to attend this meeting.

On motion of DeRiso, second VanSlyke, Chairman Sevenker was authorized to sign the Hospice Renewal Application from DHHS. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Following review, May claims and Fund Request of \$420,974.65 were approved on motion of Cullers, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker.

The Service Agreement from Protex Central to test and inspect the fire alarm system and fire extinguishers in the courthouse was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Rooms for the 2015 NACO Annual Conference to be held in Kearney in December can be booked on June 4, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. VanSlyke, Waldmann, Cullers, Sevenker and Cetak indicated that they plan to attend and will need rooms.

Request of Dahn Hagge for use of Courthouse lawn on June 12, 2015 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for Entrepreneurship Investigation Camp was approved on motion of Waldmann, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Cullers reported receipt of a letter from Senator Fischer indicating she has not been able to find information on the amount and use of cell phone taxes. She will continue to look into it.

Cullers reported for Region 3: County Match this year will be \$8,732.62. The Region 3 budget for 2016 is \$318,590. There was a mandatory rate increase of 2.25 from the state legislature. Beth Baxter is a good administrator and is respected statewide. A pilot program is being worked on to assist individuals with mental illness.

DeRiso reported receipt of an email from Mid Plains stating that they are operating in the black and that there is a need for foster parents.

Cetak reported that Mid Nebr. is doing okay and has bought a house in Grand Island

Waldmann reported for the Economic Development Board: they have not been approached by Nebr. Distillers for funding, they already have several projects on the table; there is a need for daycare;

Orschlens is moving into the Alco building; trying to get a new store in; he will check to see if funds are available; ED funding comes from City sales tax.

Steve Riley and Jim Classy of Prochaska & Associates, who are working on a proposal to remodel a portion of the Sheriff's Office, reported they have taken measurements, and scanned and returned the courthouse blueprints. They noted that some upgrades have already been made to mechanicals, electrical and plumbing due to earlier courthouse renovations, and the kitchen has a crawl space so there should be no engineering problems. They visited with the current staff and reviewed the Jail Standards report. They will offer 2 options for the Board, one with Jail Standard recommendations and another with input from current staff. Chairman Sevenker again asked if there was a way to reconfigure the existing space to meet the needs. Riley said they will look at it. Discussion included having meals brought in rather than cooking, maybe have a warming kitchen. They plan to use the lounge space in the existing women's public restroom to provide laundry facilities and a restroom for the jailers that is not accessible to the public. Riley said they will provide a power point presentation next time they are here and asked for a white surface on which to project it.

The sewer odor in the courthouse was discussed with Custodian Vanek. Vanek was able to get plumber Hank Rezac to look at the plumbing and they used smoke bombs which indicated a problem with a toilet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor so it was replaced, however, the smell came back. It seems to be most noticeable in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor courtroom. Vanek said he and Rezac are planning to use more smoke bombs to see if they can locate the source or sources of the smell. Vanek has capped some pipes on the roof and some upstairs drains. He has put water in the drains and used enzyme cleaner, but to no avail. Vanek also noted there is a smell coming out of a vent pipe on the roof.

Mail Folder items available for review: Wozab Thank You

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m., to reconvene on June 9, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the May 26 meeting and an agenda for the June 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 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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Jenette G. Lindsey, Valley County Clerk

Valley Co. Claims May 26, 2015

<b>Claims</b>				
<b>GENERAL FUND (0100)</b>				
Payroll	May-15	May-15	\$	70,478.45
Advantage Laser Products	equipment	equ	\$	270.00
Ameritas Life Ins. Corp.	retirement	rt	\$	4,680.21
Doug Anderson	reimb exp	mlg	\$	316.83
Appeara	supplies	sup	\$	91.88
Pamella K Arnold	reimb exp	exp	\$	128.65
Larry R. Barta	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	20.00
Benefit Management	services	serv	\$	1,050.00
Michael S. Borders	public defender	serv	\$	2,500.00
Bradley,Elsburnd,Andersen PC etal	ct app/atty	atty	\$	860.00
Capital Business Systems Inc	services	serv	\$	233.42
Cathy's Computer Service	equipment	equ	\$	400.00
Charter Communications	telephone	tele	\$	107.96
Kenneth R. Collins	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	16.00
Consolidated Management Co	services	serv	\$	19.00
Country Partners Cooperative	fuel	fuel	\$	48.31
Coventry Health Care of NE, Inc	health ins	ins	\$	18,479.25
Darrell D Drake	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	14.00
Elyria Gardens	supplies	sup	\$	442.60
Family Advocacy Network	fees	fees	\$	1,000.00
First Concord Benefits Group LLC	unreimb. med	W/H	\$	10.00
First National Bank	fees	fees	\$	15.00
Sharon L. Foth	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	16.00
Fox 1 Inc	supplies	sup	\$	27.80
Frontier	telephone	tele	\$	680.89
Genesis Employee Benefits Inc	services	serv	\$	292.50
GIS Workshop	services	serv	\$	9,740.00
Grocery Kart	supplies	sup	\$	463.07
Kayla Hinrichs	mileage	mlg	\$	181.70
Holiday Inn Kearney	services	serv	\$	83.00
J & J Sanitation Dist. 3051	services	serv	\$	29.88
Leth's Tree Service	services	serv	\$	541.00
Lincoln National Life Ins. Co	li/ltd cs	ins	\$	616.19
Loup Valley Ag Society	ss/ rent	rent	\$	750.00
Loup Valleys RPP Dist	payment	pmt	\$	38,160.00
Midland Telecom Inc	equipment	equ	\$	6,498.34
MIPS Inc	services	serv	\$	419.96
NACEB Ext. Bds	dues	dues	\$	25.00
NACO Dist. Court Assn	registration	reg	\$	150.00
NACO Sheriff's Assn.	dues	dues	\$	165.00
State of Nebr/As Central Services	services	serv	\$	137.60
Nebr Tech & Telecom Inc	telephone	tele	\$	509.27

Valley Co. Claims May 26, 2015

<b>Claims</b>				
Nebraska.Gov	fees	fees	\$	40.00
Officenet	supplies	sup	\$	4,519.15
O'Keefe Elevator CO	services	serv	\$	250.83
Olsson Associates	services	serv	\$	1,475.00
Ord Light & Water	utilities	ut	\$	4,635.78
The Parts Bin Inc.	supplies	sup	\$	34.31
Pioneer Products Inc	supplies	sup	\$	251.49
Presto-X	services	serv	\$	47.85
Protocall	supplies	sup	\$	350.00
Quick's Ace Hardware	supplies	sup	\$	1,054.33
Quiz Graphic Arts Inc.	notice	ntc	\$	886.08
Speeds Apple Market	supplies	sup	\$	270.39
Stowell & Geweke PN LLO	ct app/atty	atty	\$	187.50
TASC	services	serv	\$	40.00
Deloris M Thompson	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	14.00
Trotter Service Inc	fuel	fuel	\$	84.03
Trotter's Whoa & Go Plaza LLC	fuel	fuel	\$	1,158.74
University of Nebr.	services	serv	\$	1,398.79
University of Nebr.	ISP Serv.	serv	\$	600.00
Adeline M. Urbanski	rt/prior serv	rt/psb	\$	25.00
US Bank-Lockbox CM 9722	payment	pmt	\$	7,050.00
US Post Office	postage	pstg	\$	203.00
US Printer Supplies	supplies	sup	\$	512.73
V C ACH HI Buy Down Acct.	h l payment	ins	\$	4,300.00
V C ACH Warrant Acct.	payroll taxes	fica	\$	8,317.79
Valley Auto Parts Inc	supplies	sup	\$	110.90
Valley Co. Dist. Ct	fees	fees	\$	140.00
Valley Co. Highway Dept fund	levy trans	trans	\$	34,214.11
Valley Co. Planning Zoning	levy trans	trans	\$	1,134.13
Valley Co. Sheriff	petty cash	pc	\$	40.07
Valley Co. Weed Dept. Fund	levy trans	trans	\$	1,701.13
Verizon Wireless	telephone	tele	\$	200.46
VFW Auxiliary	flags	sup	\$	120.00
<b>General Fund Totals (0100)</b>			\$	<b>236,036.35</b>

**ROAD FUND (0200)**

Payroll	May-15	May-15	\$	40,423.92
Ace Irrigation & Mfg. CO	supplies	sup	\$	817.80
Ameritas Life Ins Corp	retirement	rt	\$	2,677.99
Appeara	towel serv	serv	\$	132.40
Bauer Built Inc	supplies	sup	\$	1,711.36
Charter Communications	internet	ut	\$	32.00
Clamp Inc	supplies	sup	\$	601.78

Valley Co. Claims May 26, 2015

<b>Claims</b>				
Country Partners Cooperative	fuel	fuel	\$	5,315.75
Culligan Water Conditioning Inc	services	serv	\$	19.80
Ed Hoevet Excavating	services	serv	\$	96,310.62
Island Supply Welding	rent	re	\$	50.40
John Deere Financial Orschelns	supplies	sup	\$	336.06
Kokes Repair Inc	repair	rep	\$	260.04
Loup Valleys RRP Dist.	tower lease	re	\$	112.00
Loup Valleys RRP District	utilities	ut	\$	108.20
Miller & Assoc Engineers PC	services	serv	\$	1,222.50
NMC Exchange LLC	payment	pmt	\$	17,215.57
Nebr Tech & Telecom Inc	telephone	tele	\$	159.16
Newman Traffic Signs	supplies	sup	\$	551.76
Officenet	supplies	sup	\$	147.46
Ord Light & Water	utilities	util	\$	598.93
The Parts Bin Inc.	parts	pts	\$	839.48
Plains Equipment Group	parts	pts	\$	136.92
Quick's Ace Hardware	supplies	sup	\$	562.94
Sack Lumber CO	supplies	sup	\$	54.94
Titan Machinery Inc	repair	rep	\$	6,280.25
Trotter Service Inc	fuel	fuel	\$	2,744.76
Trotter Tire & Truck Repair	fuel/rep	fuel	\$	6,589.48
Ulrich Gravel Inc	supplies	sup	\$	16,587.45
Valley Auto Parts Inc	parts	pts	\$	192.52
Verizon Wireless	telephone	tele	\$	45.21
<b>Road Fund (0200)</b>		<b>totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>202,839.45</b>

**Planning & Zoning (0950)**

Payroll	May-15	May-15	\$	900.00
Ameritas Life Ins. Corp	retirement	rt	\$	60.75
Sheri Goodrich	reimb exp	exp	\$	248.38
<b>P &amp; Z Fund (0950)</b>		<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,209.13</b>

**VISITORS PROMOTION FUND(990)**

Ord Chamber of Commerce	reimb exp	exp	\$	240.00
<b>Visitors Fund Totals (0990)</b>		<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>240.00</b>

**STOP PROGRAM (2356)**

ETS Development Group	server support	serv	\$	1,014.50
<b>Stop Program (2356)</b>		<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,014.50</b>

**DRUP LAW ENFORCEMENT (2360)**

ETS Development Group	services	serv	\$	2,000.00
<b>Drug Law Enforcement (2360)</b>		<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>

**Claims**

**GRANT FUND (2500)**

ETS Development Group	services	serv	\$	830.00
<i>Grant Fund (2500)</i>		<i>Totals</i>	<i>\$</i>	<i>830.00</i>

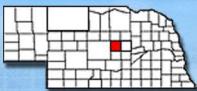
**COURTHOUSE BOND FUND (3000)**

First National Bank	int. payment	int	\$	2,606.25
<i>Courthouse (3000)</i>		<i>Totals</i>	<i>\$</i>	<i>2,606.25</i>

**WEED FUND (5400)**

Payroll	May-15	May-15	\$	1,350.00
Ameritas Life Ins. Corp	retirement	rt	\$	91.13
Nebr. Weed Control Assoc.	dues	dues	\$	125.00
Quiz Graphic Arts	notice	ntc	\$	135.00
<i>Weed Fund (5400) ****</i>		<i>Totals</i>	<i>\$</i>	<i>1,701.13</i>

<i>Claims</i>	<i>Totals</i>	<i>\$</i>	<i>448,476.81</i>
<i>total claims</i>			



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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 9, 2015 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, present, Waldmann will be late, Cullers absent (excused). Clerk verified meeting notice was published and agenda posted. DeRiso noted the minutes of the last meeting indicated Boilesen agreed to pay half the cost of the road for the new Nebr. Distillers Products, LLC, but should have indicated Boilesen agreed to pay half the cost of the topographic survey for the road. VanSlyke moved to approve the minutes of May 26, 2015, as corrected, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Cullers, Waldmann. Baker abstained as he was absent from the May 26 meeting. (On further review following the meeting, it was determined that the May 26 minutes were correctly worded.) The agenda was adopted on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Cullers, Waldmann. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall and public copies available on counter. No public comment was offered.

On recommendation of Supt. Meyer, Easement 15-386 for Novak Feedlot Inc. was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Cullers, Waldmann.

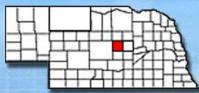
Meyer reported: Capital Drive close to completion, ran out of dirt, will haul dirt for culvert; Corey wants two entrances, Joel only one, they paid for their culverts; may need to pay for gravel from Inheritance Tax Fund; should be done later this week. Waldmann arrived at 9:12 a.m. Meyer said the lateral is buried further out and deeper so shouldn't be a problem, 2 culverts on Capital Drive, silt fence in front of culverts and do seeding, dirt is so wet and slabby will try to disk it, will keep track of gravel loads for Industrial Site.

Meyer's General Report included: budget is okay, maintaining roads has been challenging due to rain, hauling gravel, behind on asphalting, Mortensen Site will be done this week except for gravel; motor grader course here week before last, instructor would come back and train road crew, he would go out with each operator, Meyer feels they would benefit from this training, he will look into negotiating a deal with the instructor; irrigation lateral installation completed, buried in field, first 2 rows; cut trees in drainage ditch and hauled out; investigation of noise in transmission or rear end of 2 motor graders, it was discovered that the barrel contained 15-40 motor oil instead of transmission oil, Stern Oil filled CAT barrels with wrong oil, will sample again in 100 hours, changed filters and oil back to 30 weight, CAT paid; VanSlyke asked about weeds on edge of road, operators keep a log, discussed County or landowner responsible for mowing ditches.

Jeff Palik of Olsson Assoc. presented his topographic survey on the proposed road for Nebr. Distillers Products, LLC. Gaylord Boilsen and Telle Manchester were present for Nebr. Distillers Products, LLC. Discussion included: survey defines ROW of the Railroad, State Hwy 11 and the County Road; County Road is not on the section line with the required 66' ROW; if left as is will be tight against existing hog shed; if realign and pave on section line will be 600' to 800' county will have to grade; prescriptive road ROW is when road has been in place forever and a legal document can be written to allow it to continue as is; Knapp could protest proximity to hog shed if road left in current location; will need permit from State and Railroad; power poles are only 8' to 10' off the section line so will probably be affected either way; intersection would be about the same either way; only savings would be some dirt work cost if road left where it is; Palik recommends moving road to section line as it was meant to be. Following discussion, Baker moved to proceed with design to square up the road with the section line at a cost not to exceed \$20,500, as noted by Palik, second Waldmann. Further discussion included: Boilesen noted no way to get road this fall; Palik noted this phase will get through design, most of existing road will remain during construction and open crossing. Chairman Sevenker called for a vote on the motion: Carried. Yes: Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: VanSlyke. Absent: Cullers. Palik will send an amended contract for signature and will be back in 4 weeks or so with the preliminary plan; then they can submit for permits. They will talk to utility company, railroad and state; after plan, will get pricing. He suggested County talk to REA regarding moving polls. Meyer will try to contact REA and arrange meeting today so Palik can attend.

Meeting recessed at 10:25 a.m., reconvened at 10:35 a.m. All members present except Cullers.

Dustin Will and Dan Duren of Benefit Management appeared to discuss the employee health insurance coverage the county provides. The county has a contract with Benefit Management for advice and assistance in regard to health



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insurance. They recently sought quotes for the Life, AD&D, Dependent Life and LTD insurance currently provided through Lincoln Financial Group, as it is up for renewal in August. LFG had the low bid. They advised that the Board look at increasing the payout amount as it would not cost much and could be a big help to those who need it. They will find out what it would cost and report back. They expressed some concern that an AFLAC agent meets with County employees to offer various insurance policies by payroll deduction, through the County's Section 125 Plan, noting that the purchase of certain AFLAC policies could violate HSA rules. They would like to review the policies purchased to verify that they do not violate the rules. Health insurance will renew in December, the County is not subject to ACA until December, 2016. They will return to discuss health insurance renewal options prior to December, 2015.

May Fee Reports for County Clerk and Clerk of District Court were reviewed and accepted.

Agenda item 9A, DEQ Notice for Jackson Feedlot, LLC, is postponed until the June 30 meeting.

At 11:00 a.m., the Board of Equalization was convened on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Cullers. The Clerk and Assessor were present.

The following items were reviewed: Assessor's Certificate of Assessment Roll, filed with the Clerk as required; the 2015 Plan of Assessment; Valuation notices on County owned parcels 880015155, 880015316, 880010934, 880011606, 880036890; 2015 Notices of Valuation Change: Omitted Property- P#880000595- Paul & Shey Boyce, P#880014770- Keith & Ellen Novak, P#880015918- Michael & Deborah Usasz, P#880011767- Jason Von & Angela Svoboda, P#880001701 Paul & Shey Boyce, P#88001729- Jacobs Cattle Co., P#880018858- Olga Michalski, P#880007742- Maresh Land LLC, P#880013909- Duane & Laureen Krajnik, P#880007553- Duane & Laureen Krajnik, P#880007973- Duane & Laureen Krajnik, P#880007945- Duane & Laureen Krajnik, P#880037009- Dennis Nagorski, P#880003024- Top Notch Farms LLC; Correction: P#880029771- Cargill Inc.; Tax List Correction #3809 Chris Slagle, mobile home moved; Exemption Application Form 451, North Loup American Legion Post 285- Veterans' Memorial Park.

Assessor Arnold noted commercial review due, will complete over 2 years. She will look at new Mortensen Site leases, refigure lot sizes and report at next meeting. Land changes come from NRD.

Baker moved to approve the Valuation Changes, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: Cullers.

Tax List Correction #3809 for Chris Slagle approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Cullers.

Exemption Application Form 451 for North Loup American Legion Post 285 for a Veterans' Memorial Park was approved on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Cullers.

The Board moved out of Board of Equalization and back into regular session on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Cullers.

Treasurer Suminski reviewed the Fund Balance Report: General Fund \$779,527.97, Relief \$34,712.64, Inheritance \$1,235,704.40. Pledge Securities in the amount of 1.2 million and 2 million were released.

County Attorney Hanson reported that he has revised the Mortensen Industrial Site Leases to account for the permanent lease of lots currently in use, lots that are to be leased at the farm rate for future development, and lots that are just being maintained. A second revised invoice has been received from Miller & Associates in answer to Attorney Hanson's letter. Hanson said they have cut the mileage to one-way as stated in their initial agreement with the County. Hanson will respond to them. Sevenker asked if all of the surveys listed on the billing have been received from the State Repository. The Clerk will check on that.

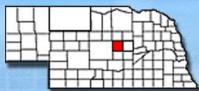
Custodian Vanek was present to report under Building and Grounds Committee that planters are in place on each side of the west entrance steps and are filled with flowers. He also reported a request to have Charter run a cable up the outside of the Courthouse to provide internet access to the third floor. The Board was not in favor of it. The odor problem appears to have been solved. A broken pipe connected to a sink in the jail kitchen was found in the basement and repaired.

VanSlyke moved to approve claims and fund request in the amount of \$26,981.16, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Cullers.

Region 3 Match Request of \$8,732.62 was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Cullers.

VanSlyke reported for Region 26 that there will be a \$4000 increase to Valley County this year; Senator Fischer is still looking into use of 911 fees.

Mail Folder items: Wozab Grant Thank You (2), CNCS Re-Cap



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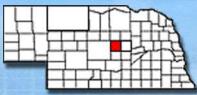


Meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m., to reconvene on June 30, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the June 9 meeting and an agenda for the June 30 meeting is available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes of June 9 meeting also available on County website ([www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us)).

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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 30, 2015 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present. Clerk verified meeting notice published and agenda posted. Minutes of June 9 meeting, included in Board packets, were approved on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Cullers abstained as she was absent on June 9. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. DeRiso moved to adopt the agenda, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act is posted on west wall, public copies available on counter. No public comment offered.

June Claims and Fund Request were reviewed and acted on at this time so that funds would be available for payroll checks which are distributed on the last working day of the month. Following review, claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$515,745.79 were approved on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Road Secretary Simpson's June Road Claims Report included: Payroll \$40,332.52, Accounts Payable \$110,211.24; larger expenses were motor grader tires, clear diesel, 3<sup>rd</sup> payment bridge 2005P replacement, gravel, final engineering payment on 2005P bridge, grader blades, Oak Creek Engineering on BR14710 replacement, paint beads and pavement marking paint, red diesel; gravel line item is over \$43,994, over-all budget is okay.

On recommendation of Meyer, Baker moved to approve Easements 15-387 for Marc Gorecki and 15-388 for Glen Nelson, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

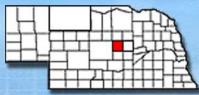
At request of Supt. Meyer, grader blade bids were set for 9:30 a.m., July 28, 2015 on motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Meyer noted that, in addition to the through hardened, curved blades, he plans to bid carbide tip blades this year. They cost more but last longer.

Following review, VanSlyke moved to approve and authorize Chairman Sevenker to sign, application for payment of \$26,092.08 for Ed Hoevet, Change Order No. 1 changing original contract price from \$173,134.60 to \$178,241.66, and Certificate of Substantial Completion, for 2005P bridge replacement, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer's general report included: start overlay on Sargent Road today, will overlay 2 miles to county line and back east; still hauling gravel and maintaining roads; Olsson's have preliminary design on road at ethanol plant, have talked to REA on plan for poles, also met with Dept. of Roads who are okay with design onto highway, didn't say if they had met with Railroad, will likely be at next Board meeting; ready to haul gravel at Mortensen Site, may wait a month or so to seed it, going to Schaaf and Kokes property with gravel; hope don't have to fence to keep tenant off; put up row marker signs, will barricade at end of gravel; Kokes chose to have one driveway, Corey has 2 driveways; rented another roller, county's is no good, will sell as surplus, may buy rental if it works out; reviewed estimates of gas tax receipts from NDOR, Valley County estimate for 2016 is \$10,949 and goes up significantly each year, expenditures of these funds must be reported and must be for roads or bridges only, this is in addition to buyback funds.

At 9:30 a.m. Gravel Bids were opened and read by Supt. Meyer. Bids were received from Jeffres Sand and Gravel, Inc and Ulrich Gravel, Inc. Lee Jeffres, and Scott Ulrich were present. Jeffres bid per cubic yard: Class A \$9.30, 47B \$9.60, armor coat \$9.30, sand \$4.10, mud rock \$19.00, de-icing \$9.60; haul rates: straight truck \$80/hour, truck & pup, semi, belly dump, grain trailer \$125/hour. Ulrich bid per cubic yard: Class A \$9.00, mud rock \$17.50, clean rock \$18.50, sand \$3.50, AC gravel \$9.00, 47B \$9.25, waste rock \$9.00, shaker rock \$15.00, de-ice \$9.25; haul rates: truck charge \$.28 per cubic yard mile, 5 mile min. haul \$2.50. Following discussion, both bids were accepted on motion of Waldmann, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Weed Supt. Kaminski reported the first weed notice was sent out April 20 to the Arcadia junction area and was sprayed the second week of June. Wells was called in March but could not spray until June. Weather conditions have to be right in order to spray effectively. For the most part, he is satisfied with what has been sprayed. Sevenker noted that he received a complaint from the northeastern part of the county. Kaminski has sent notices and checked on



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compliance. Cooperation has been good. Perspective is a more effective spray, but it has not been cleared for use by the EPA.

Meeting recessed at 9:55 a.m. and reconvened at 10:05 a.m. with all members present.

At 10:05 a.m., Chairman Sevenker moved to go into closed session to have a discussion on the hospital's governing board professional review activities. Closed session is clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest or for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual and such individual hasn't requested a public meeting. The motion was seconded by Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Chairman Sevenker then restated his motion as written above. At 10:15 a.m. the Board moved out of closed session on motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Chairman Sevenker noted that no official action was taken in the closed session.

Ashley Woodward, Hospital CFO and Randy Kozeal of LTC Midwest, the owner of the Nursing Home, reported that at 12:00 midnight tomorrow, the Nursing Home officially transitions to the new owner and will be known as Valley View Senior Village. Kozeal noted that all hospital staff and personnel have been good to work with. Some positions will be eliminated, but will be reinstated as the census grows and employees are eligible for rehire as the positions again become available. They are having an open house this evening and an Independence Day celebration. A marketing campaign is to start soon with the theme of welcoming people back home. Also beginning to work with architectural firms and conversations with Lancaster Pollard regarding financing. He has worked with them before. The logo was designed by Megan at the Quiz. A letter was sent to all physicians in the area. County Board was invited to the picnic and fireworks tonight, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Woodward reviewed the April and May financial information for the hospital, noting that ICD-10 is to be implemented in October and involves more detailed coding for health conditions. Officers were elected at the June 24 meeting and committees were appointed. Health Fair was held last Thursday. Dr. Hillary Miller and Jane Meyer began work on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Podiatry added in June, will be coming twice each month. Oncology coming in August, once a month. Switched brokers for health, dental, life. Year ended June 30, auditors coming week of August 10. Foundation Golf Tournament this Friday.

Trevor Lee, Executive Director Economic Development and Chamber, appeared for Grant Geiser of G-3 Contracting, to request a lot at the Mortensen Industrial Site. Lee said Geiser plans to construct an 80'X100' building and will employ 5 to 11 people. The building would be comparable to Petska's. He wants to be up and going by next summer, so needs to break ground in the next couple of months. Site development and culverts are the responsibility of the developer, as is compliance with zoning set-backs and permits. The County requires \$100,000 of taxable value on the property. Geiser will attend the next County Board meeting at which time County Attorney Hanson will have prepared a lease.

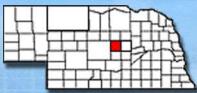
Chairman Sevenker noted he planned to attend the July 1 ED meeting to discuss the possibility of assistance with the cost of the road for Nebr. Distillers. Lee said he has Sevenker listed first on the agenda under public comment at 7:00 p.m.

Planning & Zoning Administrator Goodrich was unable to attend this meeting so the Jackson Feedlot and providing copies of zoning permits to the Assessor will be rescheduled to the next meeting.

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

Property Valuation Protests were heard as follows:

Protest #1, Wayne & JoAnn Hunt & Seth & Rebecca Braithwaite; Parcel #880034006, Arcadia First ADD/104, LB, B16, land value \$590, buildings \$28,975; requested value land \$590, buildings \$13,160; no one present to testify, written testimony: bought at auction April 27, 2015, paid \$13,750 for buildings and land. Assessor testimony: Assessor and Deputy viewed house with Hunt, inside not finished, no floor covering, cracks on interior walls, new basement cost \$24,000, it was purchased to fix up and sell, Assessor recommends total value of \$19,805 with an 80% functional depreciation until they get it fixed; house \$19,215 and land \$590 for a total value of \$19,805. Following



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discussion, Waldmann moved to set the value at the auction price for one year, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Protest #2, Keith A. Walker; Parcel #880002170, Yale Twp NW4 8-17-15, land value \$354,305, buildings \$13,425, no one present to testify, written testimony: am vacating buildings have taken furnace out and have fenced it into the pasture; Assessor testimony: Assessor and Deputy viewed property on June 18, 2015, gate was locked so couldn't get in the house, garage in poor shape. Assessor recommends put house in storage value at \$2.00 square foot and garage a flat value of \$500, change 1 acre building site to grass, so improvement value is \$2,430, land \$354,305 for total value of \$356,735. Following discussion, VanSlyke moved to go with the Assessor's recommendation, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, Cetak. No: DeRiso. Absent: none.

Protest #3, Green Plains Ord LLC, Parcel #880036789, Ord City Div/102, 103.134 acre tract in SW4 less UPRR & St Hwy, 33-19-13 and 67.40 ac tract in S2SE4 33-19-13 170.53 acres, land value \$1,011,720, buildings \$19,599,170; requested land value \$1,011,720, buildings \$19,409,870; no one present to testify, written testimony requests reduce real property valuation by the amount of the 2 bucket elevators valuation which should be classified as personal property and was reported as both; Assessor testimony: no personal property listed for 2007 on this year's personal property, after talking to Appraisers Mark & Darrel Stanard, the 2 bucket elevators will be listed on personal property for 10 years and removed from their real estate for 2015. Following discussion, Baker moved to change from real estate to personal property through 2017, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Protest #4 Sheri Palmer, Parcel #880008869, Liberty Twp., NE4NE4 14-18-16 40 ac; valuation land \$124,480, requested valuation land 89,905; no one present to testify, written testimony: outrageous increase of 38.4%, no land has increased 38.4% in the last year, land has stayed the same or went lower, these taxes are driving people out of Nebr.; Assessor testimony: ag land sales have not gone down in the past year, State requires values at 59% and 75% of market, our ratio's are coming in at 48% to 50%, therefore, ag land must be raised to meet the requirements, there are 34 acres of irrigated on this parcel, certified by NRD, 5 acres of dry and 1 acre of road. Assessor recommends no change for 2015.

Protest #5 Sheri Palmer, Parcel #880008813, Liberty Twp, pt NE4; N2SE\$; SE4SE4 11-18-16, 246.12 ac; valuation land \$726,915, requested land valuation \$533,805; no one present to testify, written testimony: Outrageous. An increase of 36.1% in 1 year. Land has not gone up 36.1% in the last year. It has stayed the same or went down. Don't break us. We want to be able to feed everyone; Assessor testimony: same as Protest #4 above, there are 39.05 acres of dry, 28.65 acres grass and 170 acres irrigated (certified by NRD). Assessor recommends no change for 2015.

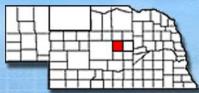
Following discussion, Cullers moved to go with the Assessor recommendation on Protests 4 and 5, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Protest #6 Ronnie J. Bower, Parcel #880037022, Eureka Twp, NW4 & irregular tracts in SW4 4-20-16, 172.46 ac; valuation land \$183,30, request land valuation \$158,670, no change requested for building valuation, no one present to testify, written testimony: no improvements made in first 10 years and property taxes go up \$24,000 in 1 year, no improvements made to justify that much increase; Assessor testimony: no improvements made on property, land use is 19.50 acres dry, 147.03 acres grass, 1 acre home site, 1 acre building site and 3.93 acres roads; land valuations are based on sales from Oct. 2011 to Sept. 2014, ag land sales continue to be on the high side, we are required to be between 69% and 75% of market or the State will order us to raise the values. Assessor recommends no change for 2015. Following discussion, VanSlyke moved to go with the Assessor's recommendation on protest #6, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: Baker. Absent: none.

Tax List Corrections #3811 and #3813 for Kenneth & Rhonda Burson, #3812 and #3814 for John & Diann DeRiso, and #3810 for North Loup valley Bank were approved on motion of Cetak, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Abstain: DeRiso, owner of corrected property.

Board reviewed and accepted the Notice of Valuation Changes for Parcels #880036890, #880037047, #880036752 Valley County, Parcel #880012733 for Michael J and Sharon M Wells, Parcel #880016835 State of Nebr. and Parcel #880037048 Bruce J & Marivel J Petska JT.

Homestead Exemption Rejections were reviewed and accepted for Johanna Cass, Harold E. Parker and Karen L. Sanders.



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The Board moved back into regular session on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso.

At 11:50 a.m. the Board recessed to the County Courtroom for a power point presentation by Prochaska & Associates regarding possible remodeling in the Sheriff's Office. Two options were presented and discussed. No pricing is available at this time. They may have cost estimates in time for the July 28 meeting.

At 1:00 p.m. the Board moved back into regular session in the Boardroom.

Sheriff Hurlburt presented the new annual law enforcement agreements with Arcadia and North Loup, each village has signed their agreement. Cullers moved to approve the interlocal law enforcement agreement for Arcadia at \$27,330.89 and with North Loup at \$28,424.13, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

The budget time line listing meeting dates and deadlines presented by the Clerk was reviewed.

Letter of Agreement with Region 3 for EPC was approved on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Region 26 Budget and Quarterly Assessment was reviewed and discussed. Valley County will be paying \$20,240.01 per quarter for a total of \$80,960.03 for the year. Waldmann moved to approve the Region 26 Assessment of \$20,240.01 per quarter, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Informational items regarding a Federal Grant Award to CNEDD and the State Disaster Declaration in May were reviewed.

As a member of the Building and Grounds Committee, Cullers asked County Attorney Hanson about the advisability of posting some type of sign to keep children from playing on the west courthouse steps. Attorney Hanson said posting signs does not absolve the County from liability should someone be hurt on the steps, so he does not recommend that signs be posted.

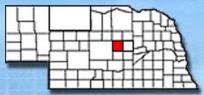
Mail Folder items were available for review.

Meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m., to reconvene on July 14, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the June 30 meeting and an agenda for the July 14 meeting is available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes of the June 30 meeting 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 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.

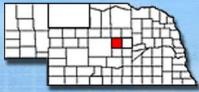
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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session in their Courthouse meeting room on Tuesday, July 14, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken with Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, and VanSlyke present; absent Sevenker and Waldmann will be late. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. June 30 minutes approved on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Cullers, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: Sevenker, Waldmann. Agenda adopted on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Cullers, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: Sevenker, Waldmann. Cullers noted Open Meetings Law posted, public copies on counter. There was no public comment.

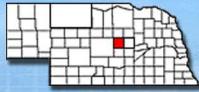
On recommendation of Road Supt. Meyer, VanSlyke moved to approve refund of Easement 14-379, for Henry Gregorski Estate, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, VanSlyke, Baker, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Sevenker, Waldmann.

Supt. Meyer's Road report included: 2 asphalt windrows; overlaid 2 miles last week and will overlay 2 miles on Sargent Road tomorrow; maintaining minimum maintenance roads; hauled 47B to windrows; hauling gravel; issue with bleed through of oil on Sargent Road and Nine Mile Road, using sand to stabilize, hot days and traffic cause this, need to get it sealed up again; CAT is working on 930 loader transmission, county does not have the tools for it, is an old loader, a back-up; Road Budget submitted. Supervisor Waldmann arrived during Meyer's report.

Doug Loudon and Jeff Palik of Olsson Associates gave a presentation on 811<sup>th</sup> Road which is needed for the proposed Nebr. Distillery. Palik said 90% of the project design is completed, if they get permission today to request the necessary permits and permission to let bids at the next meeting; the design is shift the road to the south so it lines up with the ROW as it should be; south of the road is all State or RR ROW; they tried to come in as perpendicular as possible to Hwy 11, with wide access for trucks, will take a lot of concrete; met with power company on moving their poles, transmission line will not have to be moved, will move others 15-20 feet south of the road, they are okay with moving them; met with Wes Walgren of NDOR to make sure design will accommodate the state's work on Hwy 11, he is supportive, should be no issue with permit; talked to City on moving fire hydrant, they agreed to move it; talked to RR on permit filing fees, moving the crossing and reconstructing with concrete, no major concerns from them, \$500 application fee for permit; gravel road will be removed, county will grade section line in center and regrade to new paving; 1100' sight line distance to trees from highway access, asking state to cut slope back a bit to increase sight distance, need to bring up ditch, county has borrow site near that can be used for fill; 30-45 days for RR permit; Palik is okay with advertising for bids and waiting until RR permit is received to award bids, he estimates \$250,000 for the project, bulk is RR crossing, whole contract could be completed in 2 months, write in specs June 1 completion date to give choice of start date in fall or wait till spring; Waldmann thinks Economic Development will provide some funding but they want more detailed cost information; VanSlyke feels the business should have to pay for the paving, not the county, Waldmann said they need it paved to avoid getting gravel in their machinery which would cause them to shut down; Palik asked if the Board was willing to authorize Olsson's to apply for the permits from the RR (including the \$500 fee) and NDOR, and return in a month or two to get the final funding. Cetak moved to authorize Palik to apply for the RR and NDOR permit and the \$500 check for the RR, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Sevenker.

Olsson Associates work is still within the initial agreement. They will return next month.

Each Board member, the Clerk, and the Weed Supt. received a letter from the State Dept. of Agriculture regarding weed complaints from Valley County landowners regarding weed infestation on various properties in the County and copies of the inspections conducted by State Dept. staff. This was the first notice the County Board or Weed Supt. received stating that complaints had been received by the state and that they had conducted their own



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inspections. Weed Supt. Kaminski identified the properties, provided copies of the State Inspection Reports and his response to each report. This information will be sent to the State Dept. of Agriculture.

Meeting recessed 10:05 a.m., reconvened 10:10 a.m., all members present except Sevenker.

Treasurer Suminski reported: Month End Fund Report shows General \$481,459.36, Road \$67859.72, Inheritance \$1,230,673.95; Courthouse and Shop/Plumbing bond interest payments were made in May and June; donation account has been spent; airport checking and investment accounts remain about the same; Semi-Annual Fund report provided, a condensed version is published at a cost of \$150, the Clerk reported one unpaid claim of about \$15,000, a 4 page breakdown of each fund was presented; Pledge Securities were reviewed; Misc. Receipts Folder is available for review.

Planning & Zoning Admin. Sheri Goodrich reported: worked with Jackson to get permits for feed lot, DEQ expansion is 4 phase process, with increase for each phase and \$30 permit fee for each phase, will be a 6 year project. She was asked about Jacobs Land & Cattle and said there has been expansion, but it is to the south and meets setback requirements. County cleaned out ditch and is making some culvert changes, there is no new pen, forage is planted in unused pens, he backgrounds the cattle, they go to Setlik's to finish; received resignation letter from Dale Zadina on Board of Adjustments, also a vacancy on the Planning Commission due to resignation of Larry Koelling, will be bringing replacement names before the Board for approval; reviewing Arcadia and Elyria Regulations, County Regulation review close to finished, looking into getting a tab through the Assessor's GIS to display maps, Howard County has a good one, there is a set up and maintenance fee, waiting to hear costs; Trevor Lee noted they can do maps in pdf; she will review livestock friendly bill and report back to Board, would need Board Resolution and copy of regulations but want to wait until the update is completed.

June reports for County Clerk and Clerk of District Court were reviewed and accepted.

County Attorney Hanson reported: preparing lease requested by Grant Geiser of G3 Construction for Mortensen Site lot between Petska and Sitz, will send to Geiser; understands plan is to build next summer, will lease at farm rental rates until building is completed. Baker moved to authorize Attorney Hanson to prepare and send the lease to Geiser, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Cullers, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Sevenker.

ED Director Trevor Lee noted that the Public Hearing Notice from the City of Ord is regarding a redevelopment plan to provide TIF funding for a Shopko store in the JAT Subdivision. He said they are continuing to look into a Hotel/Convention Center.

Following review, the claims and Fund Request were approved in the amount of \$26,981.16 on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Cullers, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: Sevenker.

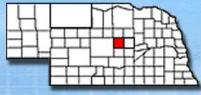
The Subgrant Agreement for Child Support Enforcement Services for the Clerk of the District Court was approved on motion of Baker, Second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Cullers, VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Sevenker.

Informational items noted: Ord Farm Service Agency Notification of Base and Yields for ARC/PLC (4) and Source Gas letter regarding a location survey of gas pipeline near County owned land.

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

The following Property Valuation Protests were heard:

Protest #9, Larry L. Proskocil, Parcel #880013517, Michigan Twp/24 E2SW4, 22-19-15, 80 AC, protested land value \$71,515, request land value \$60,000, Proskocil present, written/verbal testimony: property on minimum maintenance road, no electricity, road impassable when rains, value should be less than property with paved or graveled road access; Assessor written and verbal testimony: property valued at lowest classification of grass, cannot value land



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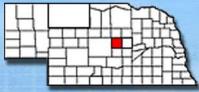
on condition of roads, grass sales have been from \$1200 an acre to over \$2,000 an acre, recommends leaving value as is, at \$71,515 for 2015.

Protest #10, Larry L. Proskocil, Parcel #880036863, Michigan Twp/24 A 41.329 acre tract in NW4SE4 22-19-15, protested value \$37,485, request value \$30,000, Proskocil was present, written and verbal testimony: property does not have a road to it, access through his other property or adjacent property owners, trail through pasture is steep and impassable when it rains, no electricity, taxes should not be as high as properties with paved or graveled roads to them; Assessor written/verbal testimony: cannot value this property differently than others, is valued at the lowest classification of grass for a value of \$37,485, recommends leaving value as is, at \$37,485 for 2015. Following discussion, Cetak moved to go with Assessor's recommendation on Protests #9 and #10, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cullers, VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Sevenker.

Protest #14, Marlis Hackel, Parcel #880000028, Independent Twp, pt. south half less TO Canal, 1-17-13, 228.9 AC, protested value \$538,395, request value \$400,000, Marlis and Ed Hackel present, written/verbal testimony: high water table continues to get worse, in past entire bottom (128 acres) was farmed, grass has been planted in areas too wet to till, only 63 acres tilled this year due to wet ground, trend continues; Assessor testimony 70 acres certified as irrigated through NRD, changed 4.27 acres of dry to grass per FSA map for a valuation of \$534,130, discussed going to FSA to certify change of unirrigated and hay ground acres from irrigated to grass, could keep water rights through NRD but change irrigated acres through FSA. The deadline for action by the County is July 25. Baker moved to change 62 acres to grass contingent on getting it changed with FSA, second DeRiso. Not Carried. Yes: Baker, DeRiso. No: VanSlyke, Waldmann, Cetak, Cullers. Absent: Sevenker. Following discussion, Hackels decided to go to FSA office and try to get change certified and return to the County BOE meeting. Protest #12, Coella J. Nelsen, Parcel #880005768, North Loup, South ½ 28-18-13, protested value \$9050 land, \$22,235 buildings, request value \$6550 land, \$2304 house (storage value); Ken Dawson present, written testimony: 10 acres grass, no access, convert to waste value, house not livable, drop to storage value, 2 outbuildings no longer there; Assessor written testimony: Assessor and Deputy reviewed property on July 7, 2015, house infested with mice, water is bad, windows broken, eaves rotted, bad propane smell, not livable, changed to storage value of \$2.00 sq. ft., looked at outbuildings, changed pole building to fair, no value on utility building and yard shed, mobile home kennel is gone, changed existing dog kennel to fair condition, house now \$2,305, outbuildings \$7,750, cannot change 10 acres of grass to waste unless certified by FSA, land value remains at \$526,375, original value of land and buildings totaled \$560,015, changes per review of property bring house and outbuildings to \$10,055, land value \$526,375 for total valuation of \$536,430. Waldmann moved to go with Assessor's recommendation on Protest #12, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Cullers, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Sevenker.

Protest #7, Cargill, Inc., Parcel #880029771, Ord City Div/102 Div A in NE4 N of RR, 27-19-14, 33.4 ac, protested value \$31,595 land, \$2,005,140 buildings, total \$2036,735, request value \$31,595 land, \$1,250,000 buildings, total \$1,281,595, no one present to testify, written testimony: building value estimated until we complete our own review of the cost approach, we are reviewing grain handling equipment and temp ground pile valuations, will be completed week of 6/29 and shared with appraiser. Dean Jacobs called Assessor July 7, 2015 to withdraw protest. He also called the Clerk and did not think he could get a letter of withdrawal to the County in time for the meeting so, it was determined that, if the Board approved the Assessor's recommendation, the result would be the same as withdrawing. The Assessor's recommendation was land \$31,595, improvements \$2,005,140, total value \$2,036,735. Following discussion, Baker moved to go with the Assessor's recommendation, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Cullers, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: Sevenker.

Protest #8, 1-4, Galen F Malander (Trust), %Leah Malander Bown, 4 parcels protested: 880010143, Springdale Twp, SE4 20-19-13, 160 AC, protested value \$757,850, no requested value; 880010381, Springdale Twp, 3 Ac tract in NE4NW4 28-19-13, protested value \$2810; 880010171, Springdale Twp SW4 exc 12.46 ac in NE4SW4 21-19-13, 147.54



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AC, protested value \$316,480, 880011298, Ord Twp, NW4 less 3.0219 AC, S2NW4 14-19-14, 156.9751 AC, protested value \$758,335, no one present to testify, written testimony: increases out of line with corn prices and land prices going down, no improvements, taxes increase every year; Assessor written testimony: corn prices are not considered when valuing land, land prices are not going down, Nebr. statute requires us to be between 69% and 75% of market or State will order valuations raised, high priced land sales affect valuation, land classifications, dry, grass, irrigated, etc. affect valuation, recommends no change for 2015. Following discussion, VanSlyke moved to go with the Assessor recommendation on Protests #8, 1-4, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Cullers, VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Sevenker.

Protest #11, Kevin Gabriel, Parcel #880008575, Liberty Twp, SE4, 3-18-16, 160 AC, protested value \$156, 335 land, requested value \$141,795 land, no one present to testify, written testimony: unsustainable for ag at these increases, poor use of road funds wester Valley county roads are in disarray (Rd 462, Rd 809, Comstock Road); Assessor written testimony: condition of roads does not affect land valuation process, high priced sales affect valuations, state requires 69-79% of market or will order a raise, this parcel is all grass and valued as such, recommends no change for 2015. Following discussion, VanSlyke noted that he is familiar with the roads mentioned and they are in good shape. Cetak moved to go with the Assessor recommendation, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Cullers, VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Sevenker.

Protest #13, Roger Hornickel, Parcel 880007042, Enterprise, NW4, 25-18-14, protested value buildings \$37,195, not protesting land value of \$423,250, requested value house \$3835, no one present to testify, written testimony: unlivable house, mold and water damage; Assessor written testimony: Assessor, Deputy and Supervisor Baker reviewed the house on July 7, 2015 at 9:30 a.m., Roger Hornickel present, roof leaks, ceiling is falling in, mold on walls, bees in walls, roof & siding in poor condition, no electric or water, not livable, will put in storage value of \$2 per sq. ft., garages in good condition but access is difficult, house value \$2,265 with 2 garages total building value is \$6,100, land value remains at \$423,250 for total value of \$429,350. Waldmann moved to go with Assessor recommendation, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Sevenker.

Baker felt that houses that are not livable should have no value rather than use storage value. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Notices of Valuation Change Donald L & Norma E Petska TIC and Gary J Nelson, informational.

Tax List Correction 3815 for Carroll Coffin % Marlea Kittle due to move out of County was approved on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Sevenker. Tax List Correction, 3816 for Augy's Fitness Center due to moved business to St. Paul after first of the year 2015 approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Cullers, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Sevenker. Tax List Correction 3817 for Dorsey Eyecare due to closed business after first of January, 2015, approved on motion of Waldmann, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Cullers, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: Sevenker.

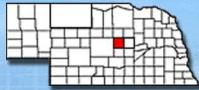
Baker moved to go out of Board of Equalization at 12:00 noon, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Cullers, VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Sevenker.

County Attorney Hanson agreed to research power County Board has regarding property taxes.

VanSlyke moved to approve recommendation of Benefit Management to renew Group LTD and Life Insurance through Lincoln Financial Group with increase in monthly maximum to \$2500, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Cullers, VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Sevenker.

Cetak reported for Building and Grounds that 3 new compressors are needed for the HVAC system in the Courthouse and the cost will be about \$10,000.

Baker reported Loup Basin Public Health Dept. met last night, a lot of money left in their budget, still doing West Nile testing, get \$6000 to set out mosquito traps.



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Waldmann reported ED is pursuing Shopko, talking about hotel/convention center on Trotter's property and will help with 811<sup>th</sup> Road for Nebr. Distillers.

At 12:30 p.m., Ed and Marlis Hackel returned and Board moved back into Board of Equalization on motion of Baker, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cullers, VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Sevenker. The Assessor and Clerk were present.

Ed Hackel presented certification from the FSA Office showing 59.13 acres dry, 30 acres irrigated and 135 remaining acres grass. Baker moved to accept the change in land classification certified by FSA for valuation purposes, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cullers. No: Cetak. Absent: Sevenker.

The Board moved out of BOE at 12:35 p.m. on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Cullers, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Sevenker.

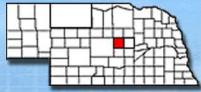
Mail folder items available for review: none.

Meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m., to reconvene on July 28, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the July 14 meeting and an agenda for the July 28 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes of the July 14 meeting 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 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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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session in their Courthouse meeting room on Tuesday, July 28, 2015, at 9:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. July 14 Minutes were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Baker. Carried. Yes:

Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke. Abstain: Sevenker, absent last meeting. No: none. Absent: none. Agenda adopted on motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies on counter. Guy Brock offered the following public comment: it is a right and a duty to monitor government officials; he has appeared before the City to request lower speed limit on Q St., but was not successful; thanked county workers for driving at slower speed; Courthouse looks great, sets off square; presented a letter supporting Valley County Hospital CEO and recommending removal of the Board of Trustees.

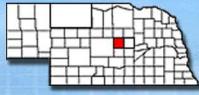
Road Secretary Simpson was absent. Her printed report of expenditures was reviewed and discussed. July expenses total \$121,951.71; larger expenses were for red and clear diesel, chemicals, asphalt, gravel, repairs, parts, roller rental; payroll totaled \$40,330.97.

On Meyer's recommendation, Easements 15-389 and 15-390 for water main installation in North Loup Village, were approved on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer's report included: laid one windrow, next 2 at North Loup then back to Sargent Road, try to take hill down by Joe Novotny's and overlay next mile; trouble with bleed through, had State test mix and came back good, will overlay this year and armor coat next year to allow it to breath, hope that will prevent bleeding; \$15,000 to fix loader transmission, no choice but to fix due to money already spent on it, is a good back up machine; roads maintained last week, minimum maintenance and gravel; bought millings from state, 400 to 600 ton, hauled 275 ton so far, will use for base when take hill out at Novotny corner, hope to maintain traffic around work if space allows; got complaints yesterday on dump road at North Loup railroad tracks, got state millings free of charge and laid on the road, Village will probably armor coat it at their expense; Baker noted Industrial Park Road looks nice, Meyer will seed it this fall, ditches are working properly; loaders at State auction are usually pretty old.

At 9:30 a.m., as advertised, Grader Blade Bids were opened. Bids were received from Nebr. Machinery and Midwest Service & Sales Co. Ryan Prescott was present for NMC. Road Supt. Meyer opened and read the bids. Meyer noted this year he also asked for bids on carbide tip blades. NMC Bids: curved, double bevel 1/2 X 8 X 8 \$92.75, 1/2 X 7 \$82.14, 5/8 X 8 \$113.26, 5/8 X 7 \$100.10; Carbide Tip 3/4 X 5 X 3 \$717.62, 3/4 X 6 X 3 \$510.14, 3/4 X 5 X 2 \$717.62; no government discount on carbide. Midwest Service & Sales Co. Bids: curved, double bevel 5/8 X 8 X 8 \$91.26, 5/8 X 7 \$79.86, does not offer 1/2" in through hardened; carbide tip does not come in 7' or 8' so must combine 2 to get it; 5" wide, lots of 100, 3/4 X 5 X 3 \$244.94, 3/4 X 5 X 4 \$326.59, 3/4 X 6 X 3 \$248.48, 3/4 X 6 X 4 \$331.32. Meyer noted that carbide tip are more expensive, but last longer and won't round. Per hour cost on regular blade is 6 1/2 to 7 hours, carbide is 600 to 1000 hours; need curved, double bevel for snow; last year spent \$19,000 on bits, still have some but will need more. CAT will replace broken bits. In the past NMC has given 60% discount to government entities, but this year discount is 50%. Following discussion, Baker moved to accept both bids and leave the choice to Meyer's discretion, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

The monthly Hospital report presented by Ashley Woodward included: review open bank account policy and trauma resolution; nephrology clinic no longer coming until second doctor comes in; Home Health VA services only approve current patients 6 weeks at a time rather than 6 months; LB37 in Nebr. Legislature related to disbursement of pharmaceutical drugs out of ER, pharmacists on staff 24/7, can do it by tele-med, effective Sept. or Oct., no vendors



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currently set up so don't know cost; CEO investigation to be completed in 10 days, he was interviewed 10 days ago and made aware of allegations, hope to get it wrapped up, CEO contract up 8/31/15; BCBS in network with GI; Hospital audit week of August 10; Hospital surveyors here last week, happens every 5 years, not the rural health clinics; Foundation golf tournament July 3, netted \$21,000; annual employee picnic July 9; LTC changeover effective 6/30, meet every other week; allegations are not public knowledge at this time; income statement was reviewed: 340B government program helps bottom line; 1<sup>st</sup> quarter cash will go down due to HER, hope to get incentive money back in same fiscal year; depreciation will drop off in Oct, will affect some cash flow; review 2016 budget: LTC financials out of it, 1.7 million budget, 1.1 million should qualify for meaningful use, about 97-100% will get reimbursed, all completed by 6/30/16 to get reimbursement; maintenance contracts are costly.

Meeting recessed at 10:20 a.m., reconvened at 10:30 a.m. with all members present.

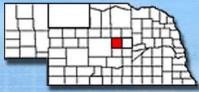
Kristina Foth thanked the Board for allowing movies to be shown on the Courthouse lawn. Another is planned for August, no date yet. It was noted that advanced notice is needed so that the sprinkler system can be shut off. Foth said it will be a Friday night in August and will let the Board and Custodian Vanek know the exact date when it is set. The first movie night was attended by 125 people. The Tourism Agreement was reviewed and some changes recommended by the Tourism Committee. The new Committee members are more active. Currently the agreement requires quarterly reports from the Committee to the County Board. They are requesting that be changed to biannual. Jane John is willing to report, the staff would do a written report for her to present. Cullers moved to have a Tourism report semi-annually rather than quarterly, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: Baker. Absent: none. The reports are to be made in June and December. The other proposed changes to the agreement are: combine items 3A & 3D for clarity regarding maintaining and distributing brochures and promotional materials; remove item 3C regarding travel shows, as county-wide businesses are well represented in the Escape travel guide; combine items 3F and 3G for clarity and to remove redundancies regarding required services. Following discussion, Cullers moved to approve the proposed edits to the Agreement, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

County Attorney Hanson had no report, but requested Board approval of the DHHS Child Support Enforcement Agreement. He noted that \$21,000 in reimbursement was received last year due to the enforcement efforts of the County Attorney's Office. Baker moved to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the DHHS Child Support Enforcement Agreement, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

At 11:00 a.m. the Board of Equalization was convened on motion of Waldmann, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. The Assessor and Clerk were present.

Tax List Corrections 3818 for Family 1<sup>st</sup> Dental due to sale of business after Jan. 1 and 3819 for Ord Locker due to sale of business April 1 were approved on motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. The Notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemption for Shelley Schmidt was informational.

Discussion of the use of no value or storage value for unusable houses and outbuildings included: Assessor Arnold noted that many people use unlivable houses for storage and that her office uses a base of footage at \$2.00 per sq. ft. VanSlyke felt there should be no valuation on a house that was unlivable. Arnold contacted the State and they said it was up to the Assessor as long as it is the same for everyone. County Attorney Hanson noted that the Assessor is an elected official, the storage valuation is her policy, needs to be uniform. Sevenker noted property owners can file a protest if they feel the property is overvalued.



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Cullers reported on her research regarding NRD and FSA certifications: NRD certifies acres that could be irrigated, changing FSA certifications does not change water rights; Property Tax Administrator's Office, Derrick Niederklein, said market value and at highest and best use, can make an exception if wetness is affecting productivity, just as you can't get in every house but assume it is highest market value; FSA is now confidential, has to be landowner; NRD's don't all follow same procedures; out of 6 counties, 3 make exceptions, Hall County makes exception if not farmable for 3 years but landowner must bring in FSA certification every year or reverts back. Arnold said FSA can't certify until after the Assessor's deadline. She noted the Assessor's she spoke to at their District Meeting do it the same way she does. State says should be taxed at highest market value it could be sold for. Attorney Hanson said the landowner needs to prove his protest.

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

Steve Riley of Prochaska & Associates presented written cost projections for the proposed renovation of the Sheriff's Office. Option A is the one preferred by the Sheriff, the projected cost is \$152,760. The projected cost for Option B is \$168,550. Riley stressed that these numbers are not an estimate, but a budget. He recommended considering a bid for the fall as this would be an inside project and could be done over the winter. The Clerk's Office would also be affected by the renovations as the Sheriff's Office would be expanding into the Clerk's 1<sup>st</sup> floor storage area. Option A would provide some storage over the removed stairway and Option B would provide a small records room and a small private office for the Clerk. Following discussion, it was decided to put this item on the next agenda for further discussion and possible decision. Riley said someone from his office would be available by phone during the next Board meeting to answer questions.

Following review of the Claims and Balances Report, the July Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$397,110.17 were approved on motion of VanSlyke, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Valley County Budget Accountant, Chuck Abel, was present to discuss the County Budget for FY 15-16. He reviewed the balances and expenditures for last year and the projected receipts and expenditures for FY 15-16. The restricted funds limit only allows an increase of 2 ½ % plus an additional 1% if the Board chooses. Last year the county levy was 27 cents, this year it cannot be more than 23.5 cents. The Sheriff's renovation would be an exception to the lid, so more taxes could be assessed. The road project for Nebr. Distillers would not affect the restricted funds limit. Clerk will provide cost of current masonry work on Courthouse as soon as it is available. Abel will attend the special budget meeting on August 11, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Abel asked about the Planning & Zoning agreement between the County and Villages, noting North Loup had not been billed this year. The Clerk will contact Planning & Zoning Admin. Goodrich.

The District 8 Probation budget was reviewed.

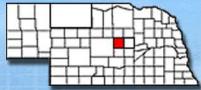
Discussion was held on the report of a pivot watering the Vinton Cemetery. It was also noted that the Elyria Cemetery has not been maintained. Baker will check into it and report to the Board.

## Committee Reports:

Cullers presented the quarterly report for the Wozab Fund noting that there was a loss, beginning balance was 1.310 million, ending balance 1.263 million, grants and disbursements \$13,154.36.

Cullers reported for Region 3: Executive Committee approved a 3% raise for Beth Baxter, Governor appointed Ms. Baxter to Nebr. Children Commission; LB539 clarifies State Auditor to check on providers, Region 3 needs to increase wages to get employees, have implemented jail programs, 1 main concern for behavioral health is early dismissal from prison, Courtney Phillips is new head of HHS, she seems very good, HHS has largest portion of the State budget.

DeRiso reported for Mid Plains Center for Behavioral Health Services billed Region 3 in June for \$230,000, 756 children placed.



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Baker noted that the Mortensen Monument needs attention.

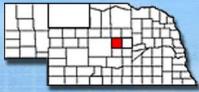
Mail Folder items: Wozab Thank You Notes, Lower Loup NRD Newsletter, Nebr. Surface Transportation Program Book

Meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m. to reconvene on August 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. for the FY 15-16 budget meeting and August 11, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session. Complete minutes of the July 28 meeting and an agenda for August 10, and 11 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).

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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in special session at 7:00 p.m., Monday, August 10, 2015 in their Courthouse meeting room to consider the FY 15-16 budget and subdivision levy authority requests. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, VanSlyke, Waldmann present. Absent: Sevenker, VanSlyke. Meeting conducted by Vice-Chairman Cullers. Clerk verified meeting notice published; agenda posted. Agenda adopted on motion of Baker, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Sevenker, VanSlyke. Cullers noted Open Meetings Law posted; public copies available. No public comment.

The budget requests for the Sheriff's Office and Jail were reviewed with Sheriff Casey Hurlburt: salaries were raised just under 3%, K-9 costs budgeted at \$2000 include Vet bill, training classes (yearly certification required) and food. The dog was donated. The raises given were influenced by the fact that the Ord Police Dept. pays more than the County.

Supervisor VanSlyke arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Hurlburt gave 4% raises to jail tenders in an effort to keep them; budgeted \$6500 in Boarding Contracts, which includes Juveniles at \$255 per day; he turned back \$3300 from last year's budget.

Weed Supt. Darrell Kaminski raised the postage line item significantly to include paying a portion of the mailing costs incurred by Sandhills Weed Management Assoc. since they did not receive a grant again this year. He also noted the cost of publication went up and he budgeted \$100 for supplies.

Mike Wells spoke for Twin Loups Reclamation, they are asking \$31,392, the same amount they have requested for a number of years.

Dave Williams spoke for the Airport, presenting information showing the County has not raised the budgeted amount allowed for the Airport since 1999 and, several years ago the County began requiring the Airport to pay the taxes on the land they lease. They are asking the County to raise the allowed amount from \$61,000 to \$71,000. He noted the airport receives \$150,000 each year from the Federal Government for improvements and can hold those funds for 3 years in order to complete a large project. They must cover 5% or 10% for each project. They have the rental income and their electricity has decreased by half since they went to automatic lights. The new office requires less heating costs. A power surge burned the wiring on 27 bulbs and the new fuel pump was affected; will cost \$36,000 to fix.

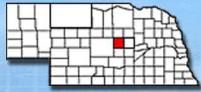
Terry Christensen spoke on behalf of the Loup Valley Ag Society, noting they increased their requested budget amount in order to purchase a tractor. It was purchased through International and was at government pricing. The fair was good this year, the livestock challenge is coming up. Waldmann also noted that the old air conditioner units are needing replaced, 4 of them are very old.

Sheri Goodrich, Planning & Zoning Administrator, was present for discussion of her budget request: she was unaware that she was entitled to use the county postage machine, she will begin using it and reduce her budget for postage; requests increase in phone stipend from \$50 per month to \$65 per month due to the number of calls she receives; planning costs are the amount left in Orval Stahr's consulting contract; \$7000 in data processing is to set up a P&Z tab on the Assessor's GIS website; it would provide maps showing the location of structures and lagoons to judge distances, etc.; the cost would be \$3500 set up fee and \$3000 annual maintenance fee; she was not aware of prior agreements with the villages to pay for her assistance with planning and zoning issues, they have agreed to pay.

Custodian Danny Vanek presented the Building and Grounds budget request: the Sheriff has asked for \$15,000 in new plumbing and he has allowed for the cost of the new compressors required for the HVAC system, the compressors are here but we are still waiting for Wadas to install them; the system needs to be reprogrammed so it will stop going over to heat.

County Attorney Hanson presented his budget request: his salary is set by resolution, HHS reimburses his office for IV-D work; witness fees are due to 9 jury trials scheduled in Sept.; capital outlay amount is for a computer, as he has been using his own, and to purchase a new shredder.

Accountant Abel reviewed information he presented at the last meeting. He had indicated that the County would need to cut \$50,000 from their requests to meet the budget requirements. An error was found in the budgeted amount for the liability insurance in the amount of \$75,000, so no cuts were needed. The cost of the work on 811<sup>th</sup>



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Road for Nebr. Distillers would be a capital expenditure and would count under the restricted funds rule. The estimated cost is \$330,000. The county cannot pay the entire cost, but must budget the entire cost to account for the income if other entities contribute to the cost. This amount is to be added in the Road capital outlay line item 5-2510.

Treasurer Suminski presented her budget request: raised part-time help budget in effort to retain employees; got new printer last year, hope will not need large capital outlay expenditure.

Road Supt. Meyer presented his budget request: wages over budget last year so raised that line item; Road budget now includes the in-lieu payments for health insurance, as they are subject to withholdings; increased electricity as it was over budget last year; must pay for loader, motor grader needs tandems resealed, don't have the tools to do in-house; requests new line item to track cost of having gravel hauled separately from the cost of gravel; raised gravel budget this year as it was \$43,000 over budget last year; renting a roller for \$3750 per month, they will apply rent to purchase, will rent for 3 months then purchase for \$14,000; estimate receipt of \$28,900 in bridge buyback funds and \$64,000 in street buyback funds; will look for 2 pickups at surplus auction in October; would like to buy used tractor and belly dump trailer; like to get Interlocal Agreements with the Villages, Ord City and NRD to provide assistance with snow removal and road maintenance when needed. An agreement is needed in order to be covered by liability insurance.

Assessor Arnold presented her budget request: Appraiser fees are \$38,700, they are required to review each property type every 6 years; Stannard Appraisal has done it before and they are willing to appear for protest hearings if needed; Linda and LeAnn have finished Ord City; over budget on phone costs; gave same wage increase as Clerk and Treasurer.

The Clerk and Clerk of the District Court budgets were reviewed. The same wage increase was given and the cost of a new computer was included.

Further discussion was held on the 811<sup>th</sup> Road Project and the Sheriff's Office remodel.

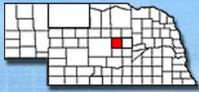
It was noted that the Veteran's Aid fund was established from money held by the Veteran's organization that was turned over to the County as required by law, is to be spent only for direct aid to veterans, and will not be replaced once it has been depleted.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m., to reconvene on August 11, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the August 10 meeting and the agenda for the August 11 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).

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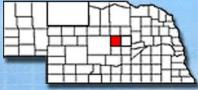
Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session in their Courthouse meeting room on Tuesday, August 11, 2015, at 9:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, Van Slyke, Waldmann present. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. Minutes of July 28 meeting were approved on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, Van Slyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. Agenda adopted on motion of DeRiso, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, Van Slyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted posting of Open Meetings Act; public copies available on counter. Guy Brock presented a written statement regarding the Valley County Hospital, and noted: feedback regarding Quiz ad positive, some focused on author rather than content, he is author, this Board needs to act to prevent community separation, speculates we'll see drop in usage of hospital.

On recommendation of Supt. Meyer, Easement 15-391 for Paul Boyce was approved on motion of Van Slyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Van Slyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Meyer also recommended approval of the refund of Easement 14-380 for Darwin Blue, which was approved on motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Van Slyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer's report included: overlaid another mile on Sargent Road, if time allows will do 1 more mile, which would make 14 miles in the last 6 years; have also done all of Springdale, Haskel Creek, Nine Mile Road and most of Ashton Road, close to 40 miles in 6 years; mixing 2 more windrows, start laying later this week, continue Ashton Ave. tomorrow; hope to be done this week; anticipate 4 to 5 more windrows, wintering over 2 of them; assisted Jesse Hurt with survey, looking for 2 corners, found 1, road had been raised in past and was 18" into road bed; in past had verbal agreement to care for Davis Creek area road, liability insurance now requires an Interlocal Agreement to do maintenance off premises, NRD is willing to pay an annual fee for the County to maintain the road and they would pay for the gravel going from Ashton oil into their property; following discussion it was decided that Meyer should get estimate on how many visits and cost of visits and invite Butch Koehlmoos to the next meeting. Sevenker asked how the use of millings on the road near Arcadia worked. Meyer said not very well, will need to overlay next year.

Olsson Associates representatives appeared to discuss the 811<sup>th</sup> Road project: Railroad permit has been submitted, not heard back yet, hope to in the next week or two; talked to Wes Walgren on the NDR permit, plans were taken to Lincoln engineer who felt road should be a little flatter coming into the highway; call from Stepanek, who reviews ROW permits, concerned with Knapp Farm sign, cannot relocate closer to the roadway and it is not allowed where it is, will take it off the plans and talk to Knapp, we can work around it; hope to get State permit back in week or two. Can advertise for bids now if Board wishes, must advertise for 3 consecutive weeks; would hope construction could be completed this fall but would have a June 1, 2016 completion date in specs; ED wants hard figures before they commit funds, would have hard figures after bid letting; can take bids but not commit to project, can reject all bids; could negotiate to do dirt work and paving separately; paving cost is estimated at \$130,000; it was agreed that \$330,000 should be budgeted in the Road Fund to allow funds to be transferred from the Inheritance Tax Fund and spent through the Road Fund. Cullers moved to go forward with advertising for bids on the 811<sup>th</sup> Road Project, second Waldmann. Meyer suggested advertising in the G.I. Independent this week and in the Quiz the next 2 weeks, bids could be opened on Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> and presented to the Board at their Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. Cullers then amended her motion to include approval of advertising for bids one week in the G.I. Independent and two weeks in the Ord Quiz. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Van Slyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Olsson's have visited with Knapp and he is okay with the plan.

A recess was called at 10:00 a.m., meeting reconvened at 10:05 a.m. with all members present.



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Treasurer Suminski reviewed the Month End Fund Report for July: General \$286,618.27, Road \$81,046.67, Inheritance Tax \$1,224,429.10; total collected \$471,051.

Suminski presented the Report of Distress Warrants Returned From Valley County Sheriff, listing the property owners name, the tax years and the amount uncollected. Sheriff Hurlburt reported that Coffin was deceased, cannot locate Martinez or Nicole Fauss. The Treasurer cannot accept less than the full payment of the taxes due, can stop interest if the first half is paid. Following discussion, Cullers moved to go forward with the Treasurer's recommendation to strike Country Boy Construction, and Martinez, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Suminski noted that the Distress Warrant process must be done for 2 years before the tax can be struck, so even though Carroll Coffin is deceased, it must remain on the rolls another year.

The Clerk and Clerk of the District Court monthly fee reports were reviewed and accepted.

Sheriff Hurlburt was present for discussion of the plans for remodeling his office. Following discussion, it was decided that Hurlburt will get cost estimates from local contractors and report back at the next meeting.

At 10:30 a.m. the Board moved into closed session on motion of VanSlyke for discussion of personnel issue and job performance, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. At 10:40 a.m., the Board moved out of closed session on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. Chairman Sevenker noted that a personnel issues was discussed, no action was taken.

On motion of Baker, second Cetak, the Board agreed to pay an additional \$8,342 for masonry work on the south side of the southwest corner of the Courthouse this year, to avoid use of a heavy lift on the south side next year. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$26,347.19 were approved on motion of Cullers, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

The Board approved payment of the Olsson Assoc. bill of \$13,468.11 for 811 Road Survey by transferring this amount from the Inheritance Tax Fund to the Road Fund line item budgeted for the cost of the road.

The DEQ letter on the Hackel Feedlot was informational.

The subdivision levy requests were reviewed and the Board allowed all of the amounts as requested except Ord Twp., as they are still operating under the 2012 election providing a 5 year levy override, the Board approved \$75,000. Resolution 15-04 granting levy authority to the subdivisions was approved on motion of Waldmann, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Other budget action taken included: Board agreed to budget \$5000 for the EPC line item and \$7000 for the District Court line item in Misc. General and to raise the Surveyor budget from \$8000 to \$12,000 as requested by Jesse Hurt of Olsson Assoc., the County Surveyor. Following discussion, Baker moved to increase Custodian Vanek's wage from \$14.50 to \$15.50 per hour effective in September. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

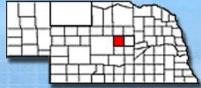
At 11:10 a.m. the Board of Equalization was convened on motion of Cetak, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. The Assessor and Clerk were present.

Assessor Arnold presented a Notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemption for Reatha B. Beneke. The property was sold prior to August 15, 2015, so it does not qualify for exemption.

The Board moved back into regular session on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Following discussion, VanSlyke moved to set the Budget Hearing for September 8, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. and the Special Hearing to set Final Tax Request for September 8, 2015 at 10:35 a.m.

There were no Committee Reports.



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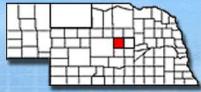
DeRiso said he would like to have the Hospital issue on the next County Board Agenda. Chairman Sevenker said that was not appropriate. Baker handed out copies of letters he had received from Hospital CEO's around the state, apparently at the request of Mr. Sugg. Chairman Sevenker said the County Board has no involvement in the process.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m., to reconvene on August 19, 2014 at VCHS for a special meeting with the VCHS Board of Trustees regarding their Strategic Plan and on August 26, at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the August 12, 2014 meeting and an agenda for the August 19 and 27 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).

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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, August 25, 2015 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, and Waldmann present. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. Minutes of the August 10 budget meeting were approved on motion of Cullers, second DeRiso. Carried. Abstain: Sevenker, did not attend meeting. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Minutes of the August 11 regular meeting were approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Waldmann. At Baker's request, VanSlyke and Waldmann agreed to add to the motion that the word "apparently" be stricken from the reference to letters received from Hospital CEO's around the state. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. The agenda was adopted on motion of Waldmann, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted the Open Meetings Act is posted on the west wall and public copies are available on the counter. No public comment was offered.

Road Secretary Simpson presented the Road Claims and Balances Report for August: accounts payable \$180,177.37, Payroll \$40,448.39; larger expenses included clear diesel, motor grader payment, HFE 300, 811 Road Survey, roller rental and gravel. Supt. Meyer said the roller rental applies to the purchase, he is negotiating a purchase price.

Dell Harris and Phil Hill of LLNRD were present to discuss a possible inter-local agreement between LLNRD and the County for the County Road Dept. to assist in maintaining Davis Creek Road. Discussion included: Meyer would prefer to keep track of the hours worked on the Davis Creek Road and bill annually; LLNRD Board would have to approve it; Meyer said the County would only grade the road, gravel and anything else would be the NRD's responsibility; Harris and Hill said they would like the County to consider snow removal, maybe not all the way in; NRD is planning some expansion, so there will be more roads to maintain; Meyer said they would work it into Bud's route, the current rate is \$100 per hour and it takes Bud at least an hour there now; NRD Board would have to approve agreement; Meyer will work with County Attorney Hanson to write up an agreement to be reviewed by the NRD Board and the County Board.

Supt. Meyer said Nebr. Distillers have a problem with water and want to dig a ditch now. Olsson and Associates are advising against it. The cost of the ditch is included in the contract for which bids will be opened Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>. When the contract is awarded stakes will be set based on the surveys for the road and ditches. Dirt from the ditch will be assumed to be available to the contractor who gets the bid. Meyer will let Nebr. Distillers know that the bids will be opened on the 4<sup>th</sup> and recommendations for awarding will be made on the 8<sup>th</sup>.

Email exchange between Olsson's Jesse Hurt, Valley County Surveyor, and JEO regarding surveying costs for setting corners for the Muddy Creek project indicate that NPPD is offering to pay for the services of the County Surveyor to set corners where needed.

Meyer's General Report included: all salt sheds full; finished overlay of 2 miles on Ashton Rd., it is done; will mix 2 more this week; have agreed to take trees down adjacent to Bossen, will split the cost, will burn on site.

Ashley Woodward, Hospital CFO and interim CEO, presented the monthly hospital report: LTC transitioned July 1; the Income Statement, Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenue, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets were reviewed. Overall revenue was down, majority is medicare, outpatient revenue is up, LTC is no longer included; depreciation drops off in October, 5 years in building; LTC has to downsize some, some issues had to be worked out, over all is positive, Randy and Merlin came to last Board meeting to keep communication open.

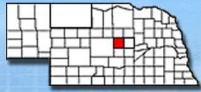
Meeting recessed at 10:10 a.m. and reconvened at 10:15 a.m. with all members present.

Berggren's site observation of the Courthouse tuckpointing was reviewed.

Following review, Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$496,217.58 were approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

County inventories were reviewed and signed by all Board members.

Trevor Lee was present for discussion of the Mortensen Site lease agreement with Grant Geiser. Geiser would like to have the lease under G3 Inc., rather than his name. Geiser has agreed to pay farm rent for the lease until he has developed the property. Baker moved to approve the issuance of the lease to G3 Inc., instead of Grant Geiser, second



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Cetak. Not carried. Yes: DeRiso, Baker, Waldmann. No: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. Discussion continued as to whether or not the terms of the lease should allow 5 years for development. Following discussion, VanSlyke moved to approve the lease with a 2 year time limit to build, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso.

Sheriff Hurlburt was present for discussion of the possible remodel of his office. He said he needs more time to contact local contractors for their thoughts on the cost of the project. He also noted that he lost 2 more jailers and feels their salary needs to be raised. They work nights, weekends and holidays. They prepare meals and do laundry for the prisoners. He wants to increase the wage \$1.00 per hour; that would be \$11.00 per hour for day and \$12.00 for night.

Attorney Hanson noted a jury trial is scheduled for Sept. 8; 4 jury trials are scheduled in January.

Following discussion, Cullers moved to go with the website creation and maintenance proposal from MIPS, \$450 to create the site, \$57.00 monthly for maintenance, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Budget Accountant Chuck Abel was present for continued discussion of the County budget for FY 15-16. Abel noted the \$330,000 budgeted in the road fund is to allow the road project to be paid for from the Road fund through a transfer from the Inheritance Tax fund and will not affect the levy or the restricted funds. He also recommended budgeting \$170,000 of capital expenditures in the Sheriff's budget, so that if remodeling is done, it can be paid for from the Sheriff's budget with a transfer from the Inheritance Tax Fund. This amount also will not affect the levy or the restricted funds.

The following informational items were noted: NIRMA letter regarding Property Inspection/Appraisal Service; reminder of Central District Meeting on Sept. 17 at Kearney Holiday Inn.

Following discussion of the letter regarding serving alcohol at lunch at the Central District Meetings, Baker moved that Valley County vote not to serve alcohol at lunch at the Central District Meetings, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Baker moved to approve the Clerk's request to record the County Board meetings and authorize the purchase of a recorder, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke.

Cullers thanked Supervisor Baker for the metal plaque he made to attach to the planters in honor of the donors and she thanked Supervisor Sevenker and his wife Mary for purchasing and helping to plant the shrubs around the Courthouse.

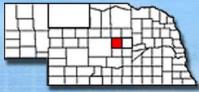
Mail Folder item: CNEDD Member Newsletter

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.; to reconvene on September 8, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session. Complete minutes of the August 25 meeting and an agenda for the September 8 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).

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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 8, 2015 in the Courthouse Boardroom. Pledge of Allegiance was recited, roll call taken: Baker, Cullers, Cetak, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, and Waldmann present. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. Minutes of August 25, 2015 approved on motion of DeRiso, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Cullers moved to adopt the agenda, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies available on counter. No public comment offered.

Supervisor Sevenker and Road Supt. Meyer reported that one complete bid and one partial bid was received for the 811<sup>th</sup> Road project, both were considerably higher than the estimates from Olssons. Seth Jeffries and Grant Geiser would be interested in bidding together if the project is rebid.

Road Supt. Meyer looking to purchase a truck and pup, prices are up since last purchase; found 2000 Kenworth truck in Lincoln, want \$70,000, clean, in good condition, others are \$80,000 to \$85,000 range, \$55,000 left in budget for truck, will forgo purchasing new pickups this year; truck 308 needs to be retired, may sell online through Wolf, could get \$5,000 to \$10,000 for it; Board agreed Meyer can purchase whatever is within his budget, Cullers felt Inheritance Tax funds could be used for pickups.

Meyer's General Report included: finish overlaying Sargent Road this week; after Haskell Creek, done for this year; mixing 2 more to winter over; hauled rip-rap rock last week; painter here end of month, start striping next week, 42 miles; total striping costs for paint and labor is \$35,000; County puts temporary striping tape down when overlaying.

Meeting recessed at 9:35 a.m. and reconvened at 9:45 a.m. with all members present.

Reminders for the Central District Meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> and NIRMA Conference and Annual Meeting on Oct. 8 and 9 were noted.

Doug Loudon of Olsson Assoc. was present to discuss the bid for the 811<sup>th</sup> Road project. He said it is okay to divulge the amount of the bid; bid was higher than expected and they were surprised that there was only one bid. The full bid was from Diamond Engineering for \$297,000. Vlach bid on the dirt work only, which cannot be considered as the process was not set up to accept partial bids. The railroad would be an additional \$57,000. Telle Manchester, Gaylord Boilesen and Attorney Tom Kruml were present. Loudon said it would be spring before Diamond Engineering could begin project. Discussion included: rebid project; not do project at all; need to do something with road ditch; need access to second driveway; county move road to where it belongs and let developer bid paving; Boilesen said they can open without road, but need culvert, could move dirt and stockpile it; would take a month to rebid due to advertising requirements;; Trevor Lee said ED is open to sharing the cost if funds are available, but request needs to go to the ED Board; Boilesen asked the County to decide how much they are willing to pay for the road, various amounts were discussed. VanSlyke moved that the County would pay \$110,000 to put the road where it is supposed to be. Boilesen asked what the cost would be to put the road back. Meyer said \$37,000 for dirt work alone would be \$37,000. VanSlyke retracted his motion. Loudon said \$171,000 was bid on the concrete, 2587 sq. yds., at \$66 per yard.

Baker moved to reopen bids to get road back to where it is supposed to be, second DeRiso. DeRiso felt dirt work should be bid separately from concrete.

Boilesen asked that road be put back in, overfill dirt 9 inches if not paving it, or gravel and put to grade, they have a road now, rather dirt work waited until spring. Trevor Lee asked if bids could be let now, with work to be done in the spring. He said ED has 1.1 million of uncommitted funds.

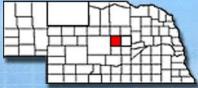
Baker amended his motion to include concrete be bid separately, second DeRiso.

Meyer said a ditch is still needed to allow access to plant.

Loudon said bid opening could be Oct.13.

Chairman Sevenker called for a vote on Baker's motion: Carried: Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Baker moved that County have road staked so Distillers can make their road and stockpile the dirt, and the bid be revised to reflect that, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.



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The Budget Hearing was opened at 10:30 a.m., as advertised. Budget Accountant Chuck Abel presented information on County budget based on projected income and expenses for FY 15-16, and noted that grants, tiffed property and the hospital debt do not affect taxes. He then presented information on the levy, for 2014-15 the levy was 27.1175 per \$100 of valuation, for 2015-16 the new levy will be 23.4360 per \$100 of valuation. He listed the budgeted receipts and disbursements for 2015-16. The budget document was reviewed. Following discussion, Cullers moved to adopt Resolution 15-05 authorizing the county to budget an additional 1%, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: Baker. Absent: none. Resolution 15-06 adopting the budget for FY 15-16 was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Budget Hearing was closed.

The Special Hearing to set Final Tax Request was opened. Following discussion, Cetak moved to approve Resolution 15-07 setting the Property Tax Request for FY 15-16, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. The Special Hearing to Set Final Tax Request was closed.

Resolution 15-08 authorizing transfer of funds from the General Fund to the funds who do not have a levy, Road, Planning and Zoning and Weed, approved on motion of Waldmann, second Cullers. Carried. Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

The Board of Equalization convened on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. The Assessor and Clerk were present.

The Valuation Summary Sheet for Tax Year 2015, broken down by entity, was reviewed.

Tax List Correction #3820, due to the sale of Nish LLC A NE Limited Liability Co., was approved on motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

A letter from Green Plains requesting a property tax refund for tax years 2012 through 2014 was reviewed. Assessor Arnold noted that Stannard Appraisal, who assists her with property appraisal in Valley County, has advised that no refund be given. VanSlyke moved to deny the request, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso.

The Notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemption for Marvin J & Illa F. Rybin because they did not occupy the property from Jan. 1 to Aug. 15 in 2015, was informational.

The Board moved back into regular session on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

County Treasurer Suminski presented the Month End Fund Balance Report for August: General at \$711,052.88, Road \$63,568.82, Relief \$37,529.07, Inheritance Fund \$1,211,242.92. Bond payments due in Nov. and Dec. Pledge securities were 2 million, and a second 2 million was needed.

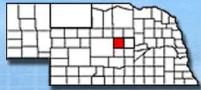
As requested by Planning & Zoning Admin. Sheri Goodrich, Cullers moved to approve the appointment of Alan Bendykowski to the Planning Commission Board to replace Larry Koelling who retired, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

The proposed remodel of the Sheriff's Office was discussed. Sheriff Hurlburt was present. Sevenker said he was asked by Scott Philbrick about having video conferencing for court so prisoners did not have to be physically present. Hurlburt was not aware of this, may be something for the future. He said the jail took in \$64,450 from June 30, 2014 to July 1, 2015. They have been full the last 6 months. Discussed securing stairway at night and during weekend activities when the Courthouse is open to provide restroom facilities for a downtown activity.

Claims and fund request in the amount of \$26,197.19 were reviewed and approved on motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Getting the time frame for leasing the county farm and the lots that are farmed on the same renewal schedule was discussed. Sevenker will check with the County Attorney and Knapp and the discussion will continue at the next meeting.

For the Building and Grounds Committee, Cullers asked if the Board felt there was a need to install a warm air shield at the handicap accessible door on the east side. She also noted that the District Courtroom needs to be painted. Sevenker thought it needed to be washed down. Cullers asked about making a display of old pictures for the foyer. Baker said a display could be put on canvass without too much expense.



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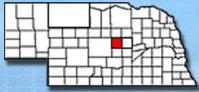
Cullers presented the current balance and expenditure figures for the Wozab Fund, which were received from Nebraska Community Foundation.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m., to reconvene on September 29, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session. Complete minutes of the September 8 meeting and an agenda for the September 29 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.

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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 29, 2015 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; absent none. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. Minutes of September 8 meeting approved on motion of Waldmann, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Cullers moved to adopt agenda, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies available on counter. There was no public comment.

Road Secretary Simpson reviewed Road Payroll/Claims for Sept.: Accounts Payable \$209,739.12, Payroll \$40,764.83; larger expenses include clear diesel, HFE 300, grader blades, repair loader, truck/pup trailer, roller rental, oil, tire repair, gravel. Meyer said they get state price for tires and put them on themselves. He will pick up the truck tomorrow.

The annual Road and Bridge Contracts Report, Addendum and Certification were reviewed and approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

On recommendation of Meyer, Easement 15-392 for the City of Ord, was approved and the \$100 deposit waived, on motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer's General Report included: sold Ferguson Roller for \$750; should have 41 miles of road striped this week; will mix 2 more windrows this fall; 2 fall projects, weather permitting; NIRMA will audit shop and signage in October, check shop for safety, check that right signs are up and in good condition; state authorized additional 10% on Federal Buyback, Valley County should receive \$71,728 in street funds and \$33,163 for bridges, paid in March; Rosco Roller purchased, rent applied to purchase. A bridge on the Greeley-Valley County line went down; wooden back walls rotted out, cement slabs went down, slabs not damaged; Meyer checked into cost of an 18 to 19 foot bridge and estimated about \$35,000, Greeley County is asking Valley County to pay half, will reuse slabs; Meyer suggested it would be more cost effective to put in tubes and not replace the bridge, tubes cost less and last longer, this bridge does not get enough traffic to justify a \$35,000 bridge; Meyer plans to attend the Greeley County Board Meeting this afternoon to discuss the bridge; the Valley County Board is not in favor of paying half the cost until other options are explored.

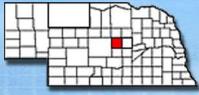
At Meyer's request, the Board went into executive session at 9:40 a.m. for review of employee performance on motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. At 9:50 a.m., the Board moved out of executive session on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldman, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted no action taken during executive session.

Weed Supt. Kaminski reported he inspected and sprayed North Loup River for phragmites and submitted the bill to Sandhills Weed Management. Saw both native and invasive plants.

Ashley Woodward, CFO and interim CEO of Valley County Hospital presented her report, including: Board of Trustees met 9/16/15; currently outsource vascular ultrasound, will now provide this service in house; have been leasing printers, have now purchased them to save interest; state survey results finalized in Sept., state will come out to check on 2 deficiencies, ER log book completed, and prior to OR procedure, Dr. has to lay eyes on you, this was not being recorded in the right place. Neon Run on Saturday. Employee of the month Leora Sedlacek. Dr. McClanahan resident for Sept., will be back fulltime in August of 2016. Celebrating a Woman will be in October; 5 year anniversary for new facility this Saturday; audit this week. Reviewed Key Volume Stats and Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets. Woodward will give the Sept. and Oct. meeting reports at the Nov. 24 County Board meeting. Woodward said the Hospital is in good shape but needs to continue to watch expenses and keep money in the bank.

Supervisor Baker left at 10:10 a.m. to attend a funeral.

Clint Ruether, of Federated Insurance, presented information regarding Health Ins. He lives in Grand Island, has been with Federated for 8 years, and is a direct writer, not a broker. Printed info provided noted Midlands Choice has no out of network issues, no increase in deductible/Co-Insurance; travel network provides 800 number to receive in-network benefits while out of Nebraska; Mayo Clinic/Hospitals in network; open formulary on prescriptions. Federated



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only sells group health insurance. He currently serves several Nebr. Cities, including Loup City, Ord City, O'Neil and Sherman County. He is quoting Merrick and Hamilton Counties in the next couple of months.

Meeting recessed at 10:45 a.m. and reconvened at 10:55 a.m., with all members present.

Dustin Will, of Benefit Management, presented information regarding the renewal of County Employee Health Insurance. The County's policy with Coventry is up Dec. 1, 2015. The County will be subject to Health Care Reform requirements as of December, 2016 unless Coventry provides an early renewal in Sept. or Oct. of 2016. He presented rates for traditional options and HSA eligible options from United Health Care, BCBS and Coventry. The County currently offers several options, including a traditional plan or high deductible plan with Coventry, an HRA VEBA contribution if employee elects to stay on another group plan, an in-lieu payment if employee elects to get their own insurance. County also buys down the deductible. Will said the county is positioned well. He noted that if the County would choose to go with Federated, Benefit Management would lower their fees to include advice and assistance to the County to stay in compliance with Federal regulations regarding health insurance. Will's recommendation is to renew with Coventry for the traditional and high deductible insurance plans. Cullers moved to renew with Coventry, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker.

The Clerk was directed to write a letter to Mr. Ruether of Federated Insurance asking for a quote for next year and noting that the Board voted to renew with Coventry this year, effective Dec. 1, 2015.

The County Clerk and Clerk of District Court fee reports for August were reviewed and accepted.

The County Attorney had no report at this time. The Clerk was directed to include the Interlocal Agreement with NRD for maintaining the Davis Creek Road on the next agenda.

Masonry Observation Report reviewed, Change Order #5, Application & Cert. for Payment of \$48,165.35 to Masonry Construction, Inc., approved on motion of Waldmann, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Following review, September Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$660,941.20, were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Baker.

CNEDD letter regarding membership dues and representative appointments was carried over to the next meeting.

The Clerk was directed to invite Shari Bahensky with the Hotline for Disability Services and the Client Assistance Program to present information to the Board.

The letter from Nebr. DEQ regarding Jackson Feedlot was informational.

The new County Website set up by MIPS was discussed; several changes and updates needed, including histories of the County, Ord City and Arcadia, Elyria and North Loup Villages. The Board will contact someone from each entity regarding updating the historical information on the website. The website needs to be continually updated. MIPS will do the updating if the County supplies the information. The Clerk was directed to keep this item on the agenda.

Board reviewed News Release from Nebr. Dept. of Agriculture seeking individuals interested in becoming members of the Livestock Development Matrix Committee and serving on the Matrix Committee. They are looking to develop an assessment matrix that can be used by county government officials for siting livestock operations.

Committee Reports:

Sevenker, Building & Grounds: need to be able to secure the rest of the Courthouse when first floor restrooms are open for downtown activities; checking into Assist Grant from NIRMA to purchase some type of gate for stairways that access second floor; also need lock on Road Dept. entrance to prevent access to elevator.

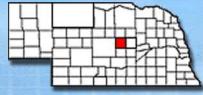
Cullers, Building & Grounds: Courthouse Custodian Danny Vanek agreed to paint the District Courtroom; she is looking at making covers for new planters to prevent water or snow freezing inside the planters and causing damage.

Cullers, Nebr. Community Foundation: NCF Annual Training & Expo banquet in Columbus.

Mail Folder: CNEDD Flyer re: Sandhills Summit 2015

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m., to reconvene on October 13, at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the September 29 meeting and an agenda for the October 13 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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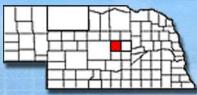
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NPPD Reps presented information regarding the Muddy Creek-Ord Transmission Line Project. It will enhance connectivity, enable load growth and enhance reliability in the area. The final route has been determined. Three open houses and a public hearing are planned. Landowners, Counties, Villages and Cities have been notified. Field Office will open in Ord at 1518 J St. on Oct. 23. Right of entry process for surveying and property appraisal will begin Nov. 1. The project should be completed by March of 2018. They will follow the quarter and half section lines, they will not block pivots.

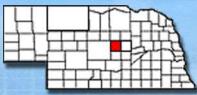
Bids on 811<sup>th</sup> Road Project were opened on Friday. Chairman Sevenker, Road Supt. Meyer, and Doug Loudon of Olsson Associates were present. Bids were received from Diamond Engineering, A&R Construction Co., Jeffres Sand & Gravel Inc. and Vlach Construction Inc. A Bid Tabulation was provided by Olsson's. Vlach was low bid on dirt work, Diamond Engineering was low on concrete. No prices include the \$26,000 contingency fee or \$57,000 for the RR crossing. If contract is awarded, Olsson's would put in a stop clause for winter. Meyer checked with Olsson's and found that the \$26,000 contingency is not owed. ED Board meets latter part of the month, they will contribute to the project but the amount has not been determined. Meyer noted Vlach said, if he got the bid, he would begin work this fall, weather permitting. DeRiso said the County needs to get the road where it belongs. Waldmann moved that the County pay for the dirt work and RR crossing for a total of \$120,00, accepting Vlach's bid of \$62,601.10 and the \$57,000 for the RR crossing, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Following discussion with Gaylord Boilesen and Telle Manchester, Meyer will check with Olsson's on the elevation and how long bid amounts will be good, Diamond Engineering is low bid. Meyer will notify Olsson's that Vlach's bid was accepted and a winter stop is needed. He said Olsson's received notice that the RR permit is on the way and they have the State permit. May 1<sup>st</sup> is the substantial completion date for dirt work. Olsson's will get everything started once they are notified.

On recommendation of Meyer, refunds were approved for Easements 14-381 and 14-382 for Bill Garrelts on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer's General report included: 40 miles of road striped, maintained roads, hauled gravel and, cleaned ditches; attended the Sept. 29 Greeley County Board meeting regarding failed bridge on the county line between Greeley and Valley County. The Greeley County Board wants to replace the bridge. They felt that tubes would be subject to plugging with debris. Valley County wants to put in tubes to replace the bridge as they feel there is not enough traffic or water flow to justify the cost of a bridge. No Valley County Board member has been contacted by the Greeley County Board regarding the bridge. Meyer noted that one of the bridge slabs is broken but the salesman said he can't get a cost estimate to replace it without a drawing as these are not used anymore and are not readily available. Baker made a motion that Valley County agree to pay for half the costs of tubes to replace the bridge, and Greeley County can pay the remaining cost, either for tubes, or replacing the bridge, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: Cullers, Waldmann. Absent: none. The Clerk is to notify the Greeley County Clerk that the Valley County Board feels that culverts would work and would cost less.

County Attorney Hanson said he has represented the NRD, so the County should get another attorney to draw up an agreement for the maintenance of the Davis Creek Road. Meyer will contact Koehlmoos at the NRD Office and let him know. Perhaps their attorneys could draw up an agreement, most of the terms have already been agreed to by both parties.



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A recess was called at 10:30 a.m. and the meeting reconvened at 10:40 a.m., with all members present except VanSlyke who was absent for the remainder of the meeting.

Treasurer Suminski's report included: review of the Month End Fund Report, General Fund balance \$436,553.24, Visitor Promotion \$5540.79, Improvement \$11457.02, Relief \$37,550.06, Inheritance \$1,207,324.48; subsequent taxes sold, 13 properties, \$18,346.22; Pledge Securities to cover the tax collections were 3 were pledged and released, one remains in the amount of \$1,010,000. The Misc. Receipts Folder is available for review.

The County Clerk and Clerk of District Court reports were reviewed and accepted.

Discussion of CNEDD membership dues included: Sevenker reported VCED Director, Trevor Lee, does not see much benefit to the County, Clerk Lindsey noted concern with administering the \$18,000 in Housing Reuse fund. Following discussion, Baker moved to not pay the CNEDD membership fee, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. The Clerk was instructed to call the state for options for the Reuse fund.

Reminder of the Legislative Conference in Kearney on Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> was noted.

Updates for new County Website, included: updated history of Ord City, updated information on Valley County, pictures of the Courthouses, history on Scratch Town and naming of Ord.

The Board of Equalization was convened at 11:08 a.m. on motion of Waldmann, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. The Clerk and Assessor were present.

Valuations, property tax requirements and resulting levies were reviewed. Following discussion, Resolution 15-09, setting the levies for FY 15-16, was approved on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. Baker moved to go out of BOE, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

Under Committee Reports, Cullers handed out information on grants provided through Region 3 for Board Members to take to their respective precincts. Cullers noted that she contacted Chris West of the U.S. Marshall that provide the security report on the Valley County Courthouse, regarding securing the stairways to the second floor. He thought Dawson and Cummings might have something similar, but Cullers found that they did not.

Cullers is still trying to get information on the 911 charges on cell phone, disclosure on those funds. Nebr. Public Service Commission handles that.

The quarterly jail inspection was conducted.

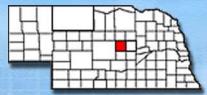
Mail Folder items: none.

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m., to reconvene on October 27, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session. Complete minutes of the October 15 meeting and an agenda for the October 27 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete meeting minutes are also available for public inspection on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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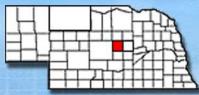
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Road Secretary Sandy Simpson presented the monthly Claims Report, including: Accts. Payable \$137,124.92, Payroll \$38,498.44; larger expenses: tires, hoist #308 truck, 4 loads HFE, gravel, camera, parts, shop tools, used Rosco Tire Roller, parts #306 truck, red diesel-Arcadia, red diesel, gas, gravel, sand. Supt. Meyer noted camera will monitor inside and outside of shop and NIRMA Assist will reimburse \$1000 of the cost of the camera.

On recommendation of Supt. Meyer, Cetak moved to approve Easement #15-393 for Rodney Nagorski, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Discussion on 811<sup>th</sup> Road project included: should find out what ED is willing to contribute after they meet on Wednesday, Supt. Meyer said bids are good for 60 days (from 10-09-15), intersection will be safer when project completed, Cullers said people need to remember this is not a TIF project. This item is to be carried to next meeting.

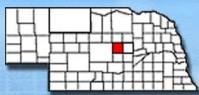
Discussion on Greeley/Valley County Bridge included: Meyer presented pictures of bridge; Sevenker could not get Chairman by phone, so he called Mike Goldfish who said he knows the area well and a bridge is needed; Meyer said Greeley County has ordered the supplies to replace the bridge; Sevenker said Goldfish felt it was not necessary for them to talk to the Valley County Board about the bridge since they talked to Supt. Meyer, DeRiso is familiar with the bridge and thought culverts would be sufficient for traffic and water flow; Steve Sintek called Sevenker and felt the ditches needed cleaning; Meyer said estimate for the bridge is \$35,000 if they can use the old slabs; Cullers was told they are getting a State Certified person to advise them; Meyer said if culverts were put in, the road would have to be raised, but the County could do the work. Sevenker said a bridge south of Randy Wadas is also a jointly owned bridge. Meyer said it needs to be repaired or closed. Meyer said if a component of a bridge is used, then it is a repair and you don't have to use an engineer, but it is wise to get an engineer if you are replacing the entire structure.

Meyer's General Report included: NIRMA inspection found Valley County Road shops in compliance; will start back-sloping 467<sup>th</sup> and Sargent Road to lower hill next spring; met with phone company, will have to lower line there; has an issue with phone company due to a reuse pit on south side of highway, east side of road, runoff goes to corner of Sargent Road in a big rain, long tube runs along south ditch, phone company installed line and sliced through culvert parallel, has washed a large hole, County filled it once and it came back, now part of the phone line is in the tube, met with Frontier, they looked at it last week, either need to replace or bore a new tube north of intersection and run water on north side, they are getting estimate to bore new culvert, County would abandon the other tube; will repair again this year; maintaining and graveling roads; bridge inspections start next couple weeks, have 5 applicants for job, will take apps till end of the month. Waldmann said Custer County is trying something new, a type of armor coat that does not need gravel. Meyer will check into it.

Christina Foth, Asst. Chamber/ED Director appeared to request use of the Courthouse lawn and lobby on Saturday, Nov. 28 for Winterfest activities. She presented a draft schedule of events and said an additional request has come from Boy Scout leader Jason Moudry, who is asking permission to have a fire pit on the sidewalk for a S'mores roast as a fund raiser. Waldmann moved to approve the Chamber's use of the Courthouse lawn, east lobby and west sidewalk for the Winterfest activities, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Discussed deadline dates for registration and room reservations for the Annual NACO Conference in December.

Discussed need for security gates on the two staircases from the first to the second floor of the Courthouse and the possibility of applying for an Assist Grant through NIRMA. Sevenker said he has not been able to find a gate that



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would work. It was suggested that Bill Clamp of Ord Glass & Paint may have installed such gates at Whoa and Go. Sevenker will check with Clamp. The deadline to apply for the Assist Grant is November 2.

County Attorney Hanson said the County must pay for an autopsy if it is part of an investigation. Hanson will check into statutes regarding the County's responsibility for the bridge on the Valley/Greeley County line.

Meeting recessed at 10:10 a.m. and reconvened at 10:20 a.m. with all members present.

The Claims & Balances Report and the Claims List were reviewed. Wadas Inc. was paid \$10,883.39 this month and will bill for an additional \$9000 next month for new compressors for the Courthouse HVAC. This expense will be paid through the Inheritance Tax Fund. Autopsy and funeral costs were also discussed. Following review, VanSlyke moved to approve the Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$508,755.77, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

The Central Services Cost Allocation Plan developed by MAXIMUS, which determines the reimbursement the County receives with regard to child support enforcement, District Court and the local HHS Office, was reviewed and approved on motion of Cullers, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Waldmann moved to authorize Chairman Sevenker to sign the DHHS Hospital Licensure Renewal Application, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. Present: Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

The Loup Basin Public Health Dept. notice regarding Continuity of Operations Planning was reviewed.

Rowdy Skinner of Husker Window Cleaning had asked about washing the Courthouse windows again, however, the Board did not think it was needed at this time.

The FCCLA request for use of the Courthouse lawn for Halloween, Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. was approved on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Chairman Sevenker noted that the Board wants people to use the Courthouse area for their activities, but the County needs to be notified ahead of time.

The History of North Loup prepared by Sherian Craft for the new County Website was reviewed and approved. Craft had offered to bring the history up to the present and the Board agreed that would be a good idea.

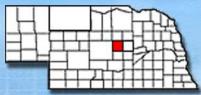
Committee Reports included: Cullers presented the quarterly report from NCF for the Wozab Fund, showing a loss of \$19,965.90, amount remaining is \$1,238,024.44, expenses were \$5645.70, including \$2000 awarded by Valley County, \$34,166.35 is available for grants next year; Cullers attended the Legislative Conference where prison reform was discussed, 13 million was set aside to train inmates, no educational programs in prison now, Nebr. prison is over capacity 159%, Federal law allows 120%, new prison would cost 244 million, Market Place Fairness Act of 2014 compels online catalogue users to collect tax but state needs to simplify, need to voice opinions on the death penalty, still talking about use of Hastings Regional Center, term limits not real positive, 59 counties belong to NACo, oppose reduction of county share of Inheritance Tax, oppose State unfunded mandates, support increase in County Road Funds, update 911 Statutes to provide for next generation, Railway Commission controls 911 and phone surcharges; Cullers reported for Region 3 that the annual audit has been completed and no deficiencies were found, a copy is available, an internal self-audit was done and Mid Plains scored 95, Region 3 does an excellent job of monitoring the various entities under their umbrella; DeRiso reported for Mid Plains that their audit was presented and a couple of issues were reconciled.

The Board of Equalization was convened at 11:05 a.m. on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Assessor and Clerk present.

Tax List Corrections #3821 for Alvin Bose, mobile home gone as of Oct. 1, 2015, #3822 for Haggies Package Liquor due to sale of business and #3823 for Valley Auto Parts due to sale of business were reviewed and approved on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Assessor Arnold presented a report of levies for 15-16 and the 14-15 levies are listed for comparison. It was noted that all levies were down this year and the high dollar sale of land was discussed.

The Board moved out of Board of Equalization on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.



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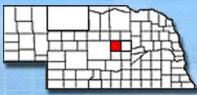
Mail Folder items: none.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m., to reconvene on November 10, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session. Complete minutes of the October 27 meeting and an agenda for the November 10 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete meeting minutes are also available for public inspection on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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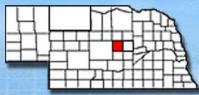
The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, November 10, 2015 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; Cullers absent (excused). Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. Sevenker noted the minutes of Oct. 13 meeting indicated one of the concrete slabs from the bridge on the Greeley/Valley Countyline is broken, which is not correct. The Clerk will correct the Oct. 13 minutes. Baker moved to approve the October 27, 2015 minutes, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: Cullers. DeRiso moved to adopt the agenda, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Cullers. Sevenker noted posting of Open Meetings Act; public copies available. No public comment.

Doug Wrede, member of the Greeley County Board of Commissioners, was present for discussion of the bridge on the Greeley/Valley Countyline that failed. Wrede noted: bridge had concrete slabs on back wall structure, is over a live stream, only sensible thing to do is replace what was there; put new abutment in, new slab in and ready to go. He asked the Valley County Board to rescind their motion to pay for half the cost of culverts to replace the bridge and approve paying half the cost of repairing the bridge. Greeley County feels, due to cornstalks and the live stream, bridge replacement is the only option, and, since they maintain the road it should be their decision. Sevenker said the Valley County Board feels that, if they must share the cost, they should have been contacted by the Greeley County Board to participate in the decision, and he noted that Valley County has been successful in replacing bridges with culverts. VanSlyke said bridges plug up too. Wrede felt bridges handle cornstalks and silt better than culverts. Estimate to repair the bridge is \$30,000 to \$33,000. Meyer asked if an engineer's opinion had been sought on the current flow. Wrede said it had not. Following discussion, Waldmann moved to approve paying for half the cost of the bridge since they have already ordered the materials and to rescind the prior motion to pay half the cost of culverts, second Baker. DeRiso asked why they did not consult an engineer when the expense is so high. Wrede said they wanted to keep costs down and a flow study could have required a whole new bridge and they wanted to keep it as a repair. Meyer said he was concerned that if a slab breaks, it would no longer be considered a repair. Wrede said if things go wrong they would have to deal with it. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann. No: Cetak, DeRiso. Absent: Cullers. Wrede thanked the Board and apologized for not involving Valley County in the beginning.

Gaylord Boilesen and Attorney Tom Kruml were present for discussion of the 811<sup>th</sup> Rd project. Waldmann said Economic Development approved paying up to \$100,000 toward paving the road. Estimates for the project are \$187,895 for concrete (includes some additional costs), \$62,601 for dirt, \$57,000 for the RR crossing and \$20,000 to \$30,000 for engineering. Kruml said it is a public road, not a private drive, real estate taxes will be collected from day one and 12 to 15 jobs will be created. He also noted Nebr. Distillers did not ask for this project to be tiffed or request sales tax dollars. Sevenker asked about the cost of the facility. Kruml said 8 to 10 million and he thought about 75% of that would be personal property. Boilesen said the county has to pave to the state highway and asked how much that will cost. Sevenker said it was estimated at \$20,000 or \$25,000. Boilesen said there is a lot more traffic on this road than Nebr. Distillers. County is at \$175,000 with the \$25,000. Boilesen said he spent \$10,000 to have Jeffres clean out the road ditch and set the grade, the County will not have to pay for that. He said the reason the cost of the project is higher than first estimated is because the County road is not in the right place. He does not think Nebr. Distillers should be penalized for that. Waldmann moved to go ahead and put in the road and do the paving, with Economic Development contributing \$100,000 and the County paying the difference, second DeRiso. Discussion included: cost \$90,000 to pave, \$57,000 for RR crossing and \$63,000 for dirt work; Meyer will check to see if the ditch was taken out of the bid; Boilesen said it was not taken out. Sevenker called for a vote on the motion. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: VanSlyke. Absent: Cullers.

On recommendation of Road Supt. Meyer, Easement 15-394 for Mark Hackel was approved on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Cullers.

Meyer's General Report included: completed seeding at industrial site, cleaning drainage ditches and putting in culverts, will start cutting trees, hand patch paved roads after harvest; NRD has Interlocal Agreement prepared for the County to maintain the road to Davis Creek, copies sent to County Attorney Hanson, Road Dept. and Clerk; hired Will Kamphause to fill vacancy, Meyer said he is very trainable, a hard worker, lives in town and will be a great employee,



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there were 7 or 8 applicants, he will start at the end of the month. Meyer will talk to Vlach about the change in the estimate. Low bid from Diamond Engineering for concrete work was not formally accepted, will be on next agenda.

Meeting was recessed at 10:15 a.m. and reconvened at 10:30 a.m. with all members present.

Treasurer Suminski presented the Month End Fund Balance Report: PILT (Payment In Lieu of Taxes) is reimbursement paid by the Federal Government for land taken for Davis Creek, it goes back to the area from which it was taken, usually one payment in June, this year received second payment; General Fund \$221,722.67, only \$39,936.79 collected this month, claims are usually close to \$400,000, trying to get statements out, may need to use Inheritance Tax Funds; Road allocation was \$62,241, Visitors Promotion and Improvement are at \$6063 and \$11,979, Relief \$35,194, Inheritance Tax \$1,196,687.78. Bond payment due Nov. 15. Suminski reviewed the Distress Warrant Summary, noting there are 32 Warrants, Sheriff sends out a letter and comes back in August to see what has been collected. Board approved Suminski's request to close the Courthouse at noon on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve, as there is very little business on those days, on motion of Baker, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Cullers.

County Attorney Hanson had no report.

The NACO Annual Conference deadline for changing room reservations is Nov. 10 and for registration Nov. 17. DeRiso and Baker indicated they would not be attending the conference. The Clerk will register Sevenker, Waldmann, Cetak and VanSlyke and check with Cullers.

Announcement of members appointed to the Livestock Matrix Committee was reviewed.

Informational letters from NDEQ and Settje Agri-Services & Engineering, Inc. regarding Jackson Feedlot were reviewed, copies provided to Sheri Goodrich, Planning & Zoning Administrator.

VanSlyke reported they are working on a history of Arcadia Village for the new County Website. Sevenker asked that recurring and one-time events and activities be posted on the calendar.

Following review, Baker moved to approve Claims and Fund Request of \$24,625.43, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: Cullers.

NIRMA letters regarding a property value update, Courthouse reproduction and replacement coverage were reviewed. It would cost \$5000 more for reproduction insurance on the Courthouse instead of replacement. The Board would have to request the change of coverage. Following discussion, no action was taken.

Under Committee Reports, Building & Grounds, Sevenker reported he will check with Overhead Door on Security Doors for the stairs and Baker reported the armor plate has been installed on the Judge's bench.

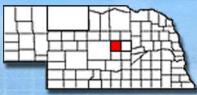
Mail Folder items: American Funds Annual Report for year ended August 31, 2015.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m., to reconvene on November 24, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session. Complete minutes of the November 10 meeting and an agenda for the November 24 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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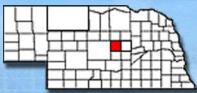
The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, November 24, 2015 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; DeRiso absent (excused). Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. Minutes of November 10, 2015 meeting, included in Board packets, were approved on motion of Baker, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann. Abstain: Cullers (absent Nov. 10) No: none. Absent: DeRiso. Cullers moved to adopt the agenda, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, Cetak. No: none. Absent: DeRiso. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies available on counter. There was no public comment.

Road Secretary Simpson reviewed the larger claims, reported Nov. payroll and claims totaling \$100,577.34, a transfer of \$20,419.80 and receipt of \$59,499.81 in Hwy Allocation. Gravel budget has \$69,115 remaining, Supt. Meyer estimates \$25,000 needed to finish the year.

The 811<sup>th</sup> Road Project was discussed. Sevenker said Diamond Engineering bid received but not formally accepted; at last meeting motion passed that County would pay \$187,000 with ED paying \$100,000 toward that portion of the contract, Vlach's bid was formally accepted at \$62,000, we were to pay \$57,000 for RR crossing, plus engineering, so there will be an additional \$87,000 but, had we not gone with this, we would still have had \$20,000 or \$25,000 paving to pay for where it joins the highway. There will be some documents to sign for Vlach Construction. Meyer said Vlach will be changing insurance companies. Olsson's said okay to sign documents, as Vlach cannot proceed until he receives the formal Notice to Proceed. Chances are work will not start until first of the year. Sevenker said Diamond Engineering bid needs to be formally accepted with the understanding that ED will contribute \$100,000 of the \$187,000 cost. Waldmann moved to accept Diamond Engineering bid of \$187,000 on condition that ED pays \$100,000 toward it, second Cetak. VanSlyke said the total cost is \$231,000, design and engineering costs not included. Sevenker called for a vote on the motion: Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: DeRiso. Meyer said the completion date for dirt work is May 1, final payment due for dirt work June 1, paving complete Aug 1, final payment on paving Sept. 1. Meyer said Olsson is involved in coordinating the work. Discussed whether Vlach would adjust his bid to allow for the work done by Nebr. Distillers. Meyer noted the County Road Dept. will incur additional costs to match up the road to the pavement once it is completed.

Refund of Easement 14-383 for Donald J. Gasper was discussed. Meyer said the work noted on the Easement request form has not been done. Following discussion, Baker moved to contact Mr. Gasper to see if he plans to complete the project or wants his deposit refunded, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: DeRiso. The Clerk will write a letter to Mr. Gasper.

Sevenker asked Meyer what happened on the East River Road, Meyer said the Irrigation District repaired a lateral across East River Road, they had an old easement so they put a new lateral in due to leakage, the County flagged it once a Road worker called it to his attention, it will be like that all winter, would be nice to know about this kind of work ahead of time; they have another lateral on the east-west section of that road and they asked about digging it up and Meyer said he would not allow them to dig it up, they would have to bore it, he will not let them dig across a paved road; by the old Kusek place there was a joint project between the County and the Irrig. Dist. to replace a bad bridge with a tube in 2010, the Irrig. District determined the size of the tube and the County put it in, it proved to be too small, so they are now replacing it with a larger tube which will require them to dig up the road, Meyer would like to be notified ahead of time if someone is digging up a county road, Sevenker asked if the Board should contact the Irrigation Dist. and request that they notify the county before they dig up a county road, Meyer said he has a good working relationship with the Irrig. District and they usually do notify him, he is hoping that this instance was just an oversight. Meyer said they have a perpetual easement and he will contact them and request that the county be notified when they have a project that will impact a county road. They pushed snow off oil roads on Veterans' Day, may have to go out on Thanksgiving, hope not; hauling millings from west of Ericson; try to maintain roads before next weather system; finish bridge inspections today, no major problems yet; locked in red diesel for 2016 at \$1.00 less per gallon, saves \$22,000, we burn about 22,000 gallons per year; looking at contracting clear, yesterday's quote would save us \$11,250; 1.74 on red contract from Jan 1 to Dec. 31 of 2016; Co-op is by quarter \$2.24 ; red in motor graders



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clear for trucks, run 40-60 blend now, when colder go to 50-50 blend, will save us \$33,000 if go ahead and contract the clear.

Waldmann reported a complaint about a minimum maintenance road that has been blocked off with a padlocked gate. Discussion included: put ad in paper that minimum maintenance roads must be kept accessible, Meyer suggested contacting the Sheriff, the road in question is near the Flume Road, may have something to do with hunting rights, Meyer will talk to County Attorney Hanson. Sevenker asked if there was any progress on repairing the Greeley/Valley County bridge. Meyer said he is not aware of any. Discussed age of patrols and what can be done to replace the older machines and stay within budget.

Supervisor Baker left the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

Ashley Woodward, Hospital CFO and Interim CEO presented the Hospital report: a copy of the audit was provided to the County, a summary of the audit was provided to the Board members; the Audit Summary and the Nov. report were reviewed. Woodward noted that their auditor said this is the best year so far. The Foundation Gala is December 16. Vascular ultra sound here full time, also a full time tech. Dec. 10 is love light ceremony. State survey in July found 2 deficiencies; came back in November to check and all is good. CEO update: had an interview, but no announcement yet.

Supervisor Baker returned at 10:15 a.m.

Meeting recessed at 10:15 a.m. and reconvened at 10:20 a.m. with all members present.

The County Clerk and Clerk of the District Court monthly reports for October were reviewed.

The County Attorney had no report.

The Clerk explained that in October, the Board chose not to renew their membership in the Central Nebr. Economic Development District, however, a claim for the membership dues had been submitted and paid in September. Following discussion, Cullers moved to have the Clerk write a letter to Central Nebr. Economic Development District requesting a refund of the dues that were paid in error, as the County no longer wishes to belong to the District.

The remainder of the dates and times for the NACO Annual conference was noted.

It was moved by Cetak, second Baker that Treasurer Suminski be designated to vote for the NACO Officers if Chairman Sevenker is unavailable. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: DeRiso.

There were no items to come before the Board of Equalization.

The Claims and Fund Request information was reviewed. Cullers moved to approve the November Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$298,056.27, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: DeRiso.

County Government Day will be Dec. 8, beginning at 8:40 a.m. in the District Courtroom. Chairman Sevenker will welcome the students. Clerk is to email a reminder to all Courthouse offices.

No new information on the update of the County Website.

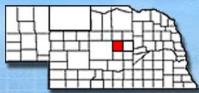
Sevenker reported for Building and Grounds that Overhead Door is hesitant to drill into the marble to install security doors at the first floor stairways to the second floor. Sevenker is checking to see if the doors can be installed on the outside of the stairs to avoid the marble.

The cost of recent work done on the Courthouse HVAC was discussed.

Cullers reported a citizen suggested the County needs to be looking at replacing some of the older trees around the Courthouse. She also asked if, after the first of the year, they could look for some old pictures and make a display in the lobby and noted that she hoped the District Courtroom could be painted and that an old picture might be found showing the original Courtroom. Baker said the Historical Society has pictures and film from 1937 that could be used in the Courthouse lobby.

Mail Folder: none.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m., to reconvene on December 8, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the November 24 meeting and an agenda for the December 8 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).



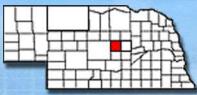
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Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, December 8, 2015 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present. Clerk verified meeting notice published; agenda posted. Baker moved to approve minutes of November 24, included in Board packets, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, Cetak, Sevenker. Abstain: DeRiso, absent Nov. 24. No: none. Absent: none. DeRiso moved to adopt the agenda, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies available. There was no public comment.

Chairman Sevenker noted today is County Government Day. He welcomed Arcadia students in the District Courtroom earlier and they will stop in later. Ord students did not participate.

Road Supt. Meyer had nothing to report on 811<sup>th</sup> Road project. Vlach's can proceed once notice is published after first of the year. No word from Nebr. Distillers on start-up time frame. Truck traffic has increased, this is a dangerous intersection. Should be better after project completed. Discussed drop-off and deep side ditches on 6 mile corner and Highway 70. Sevenker noted compliment on road to Sargent on Thanksgiving Day. When it got slick early in the morning, Jay brought 3 trucks in and treated everything that day. They were also out on Sunday due to misty conditions. State uses deicer in their mix, we don't have brine tanks, but we use ice slicer salt which is very effective. Meyer's General Report included: cleaned snow on gravel roads, maintaining roads this week, hope for freeze; starting yearly vehicle inspection on trucks and will fix what needs it; will cut trees within a couple of weeks, start winter projects now, if regrowth will go back and grind and retreat, haven't had too much regrowth; presented a list of machine hours requested by VanSlyke; Sevenker asked how many hours are high, Jay said 15,000 and above, CAT out does JD in construction sector for number of hours, resale is different too; Hall County traded in old machines on purchase of 6 new motor graders, Meyer will look into cost of Hall County trade-ins, CAT does an appraisal on used machines, the 3 he is looking at appear to be in good shape for their age, need to establish rotation to keep the fleet in good condition; Cullers suggested using Inheritance Tax Funds, VanSlyke felt lease purchase is good option, Meyer will check with County Attorney Hansen on whether County needs to take bids or can negotiate purchase of Hall County trade-in machines. Waldmann moved to authorize Meyer to investigate purchasing the used machines, following discussion, Waldmann rescinded the motion.

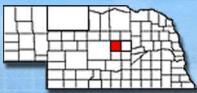
VanSlyke moved to authorize Chairman Sevenker to sign the annual Certification of County Highway Supt., for determining incentive payment, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

Baker moved to designate the Ord Quiz and the Grand Island Independent as official County Newspapers as required by the Nebr. Dept. of Roads, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

Miranda Stoll of Healing Hearts and Families presented a Memorandum of Understanding which they are required to have in order to receive funding. They serve a multi-county area, providing counselling and other assistance to young people who have issues with the law or school truancy, etc. Referrals are received from the County Attorney and schools. They plan to have an on-line program in place next year. Cullers noted the Everlast program is very good. County attorney determines eligibility for diversion and each person is worked with one-on-one. Sevenker noted Mid Plains has a similar program. When asked by Cullers about funding sources for Healing Hearts and Families, Stoll said they receive some funding from the State and Region 3 and she writes for various grants. They serve Blaine, Custer, Greeley, Valley, Sherman, Wheeler, Garfield, and Loup Counties. She also works with the Crime Commission. They turn in a report every year. Cullers moved to authorize Chairman to sign Memorandum of Understanding for Healing Hearts and Families, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker signed the MOU. They will get the Director's signature and send a completed MOU to the County. Stoll will bring brochures. They serve 11-18 year olds. She will update the Board in April.

Board recessed at 10:05 a.m. and reconvened at 10:15 a.m. with all members present.

The Clerk and Clerk of the District Court fee reports for November were reviewed and accepted.



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Arcadia students participating in County Government Day arrived. Sevenker explained Valley County has Supervisors and some Counties have Commissioners. He showed the students maps designating the areas represented by each Supervisor and the Ord City Wards. He noted that the Road Dept. takes about  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the 2 million dollar County budget. Each Supervisor gave a short explanation of the Boards on which they serve as the County's Representative: Region 26, Region 3, Loup Basin Public Health, Mid Plains, Mid-Nebraska Individual Services, Valley County Economic Development, and Sevenker explained the claims process.

Following review, Cullers moved to approve the Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$28,485.12, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Discussion of the County Recognition Dinner will be carried over to the next meeting.

The list of 2016 State and Federal Holidays observed by the County was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

There was no update on the County Website.

Committee Reports: Building & Grounds

Sevenker said Brent Leth asked about dead tree north of the Courthouse. He felt a plan is needed for tree removal and replacement on the Courthouse lawn. Following discussion, it was decided that Sevenker will contact NRD and Waldmann will talk to Doug Anderson. This item is to be on the next meeting agenda.

Sevenker has not heard from Overhead Door about the stairway doors, he will call them.

VanSlyke noted Alma has not heard anything on the tower address yet. Sheri is waiting on paper work. Verizon wants to put a tower on the Cone place. It would be more accessible. They have been using the Region 26 tower, but they don't want Region 26 on their tower.

At 11:00 a.m. the Board of Equalization convened on motion of Cetak, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. The Assessor and Clerk were present.

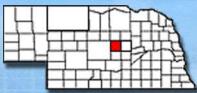
Assessor Arnold presented Tax List Correction #3824 for Ronald & Lynne Upah, due to State denial of exemption for 2013, and Tax List Correction #3825 for North Loup American Legion, Ralph R. Post 285, due to error in not removing value when exemption application filed. Following discussion, Cullers moved to approve Tax List Corrections #3824, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Assessor Arnold noted that the State does not send the letter to her until the appeal time is up. Waldmann moved to approve Tax List Correction #3825, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

Baker moved to go out of Board of Equalization, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

County Attorney Hansen reported jury trials are scheduled for January 4<sup>th</sup> through the 11<sup>th</sup>. He met with Healing Hearts and Families last Wednesday.

Supervisor Waldmann left the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

Region 26 Director Alma Beland presented the LEOP Resolution and the Region 26 Inter-local Agreement Resolution for Board consideration and approval. The LEOP is the Local Emergency Operations Plan for the County and has to be updated every few years. She printed out a few sheets and emailed the entire plan to the Clerk, it is 408 pages. The Chairman and Clerk will receive a copy when it is completed. Alma noted that she is working with Valley County Emergency Manager, Ryan Simpson, but he got a bit tied up this year, so she completed the update. Simpson had planned to meet her at today's meeting, but was unable to get away. Beland said Simpson has reviewed the plan. Currently working with Scott Philbrick, Simpson's assistant, on a Local Emergency Planning Committee which each county is required to have. Philbrick is interested in Chairing that Committee. Following discussion, Beland asked the Board to approve the LEOP Resolution. Supervisor Baker objected to approving something they had not had opportunity to read. Beland said the plan was already past due and there was not time to get a printed copy to everyone. She said the plan was basically the same as the last one except for updating the names of those who are serving in some capacity in case of an emergency. Full plan update required every 5 years, names are to be updated annually. NEMA will not print out a copy for review as it is 900 pages, they used to send out a rough draft. Contains a list of shelters in different towns, equipment resources and locations, list of haz mat in county so it can be kept track of, list of transportation vehicles, number of Hospital beds. Sevenker agreed with Baker that the County was being asked to sign and approve something when they did not know what was in it. Baker said he was not so concerned



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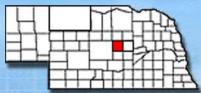


about the listing of resources, but wondered about the authority given to local and state law enforcement in the event of an emergency. Beland said that was not part of the local plan. VanSlyke said this is just a basic plan in case of an emergency, so people in Arcadia would know that the school could be used as a shelter if needed. Beland said it is a template for every county in Nebraska, they are basically the same. VanSlyke questioned the wording in the Resolution where it referred to Valley County, the City of Ord and other cities and villages in Valley County. He asked if the villages should be named. Beland said they were named in the actual plan and their separate Board members and officials. There is a different section for each one. Sevenker asked why they couldn't be named on the Resolution and Beland explained that each one signs their own Resolution. VanSlyke asked if the Resolution could say Valley County, City of Ord, Villages of Arcadia, North Loup and Elyria. Alma said there isn't time to make that change. She noted that grant funds could be denied if they don't meet the deadline. They could stop the grant funds for all 22 counties in the area if one county's plan was late. Cullers asked if "they" was the Public Service Commission. Beland said no, it is NEMA, which is a requirement through FEMA. Baker asked who dropped the ball on getting this done earlier. Beland said the County Emergency Manager just ran out of time. She said she fills in when that happens and there were other counties with the same issue. Discussion was held regarding checking with Simpson to see if he felt he is too busy to do the job and see if Philbrick was interested. Sevenker noted, if the Board had seen the plan earlier, they may have had something to contribute. Beland said, if they see anything they don't like once they get the printed copy, she can make changes annually. This is not set in stone, it is just a plan to go by in case of an emergency. VanSlyke moved to approve Resolution 15-10, approving the 2015 Valley County LEOP, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. Abstain: Baker, until he can read it. No: none. Absent: Waldmann.

Discussion was held on inviting Simpson and Philbrick to the next meeting to determine if Simpson has the time and desire to continue in the position and, if not, if Philbrick is interested in it.

Discussion was held on Resolution 15-11 which would approve full participation in the Region 26 Council and authorize the County Board Chairman to sign an interlocal cooperation agreement to this effect. Beland noted that this agreement is renewed every 5 years, that costs continue to go up and the number of mandated expenditures continues to grow from Public Service Commission. VanSlyke noted the PSC is requiring the purchase of high dollar equipment and is paying a smaller share of the expense. Cullers said she has called to get information on from the Public Service Commission and it is her understanding that the County gets a share of the land line phone surcharge but not the cell phone and that there are more cell phones. Beland said yes and noted that recently the cell phone surcharge was lowered from 50 cents to 45 cents and they are trying to get that back to 50 cents and get some of it coming back to the 911 centers, but have not been successful so far. Following discussion, Baker moved to approve Resolution 15-11, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Waldmann. A motion was made by Cullers, second Baker to approve the new 5 year Interlocal Agreement with Region 26. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Waldmann. Beland will get signatures from all participating counties on the signature page of the agreement and provide a copy to each county. Beland also informed the Board that every county is supposed to have a Local Emergency Planning Committee. We have in the past, but it did not keep going. Region 26 is being asked to get it started again. They are allowing them to put counties together, right now they have Valley and Sherman together; Greeley and Wheeler together and the rest of the counties together. The committee must have a Commissioner and or Supervisor, someone from the Fire Dept., Haz. Mat. people (businesses like Trotters, the Ethanol Plant), and someone from the hospital. They meet quarterly and follow the open meetings statute. This is mandated by the DEQ. Region 26 has a mobile command unit now. Beland and VanSlyke invited everyone to come to Taylor and look at the new facilities. The building was funded 75% from Homeland Security. Each County was responsible for their 911 addressing. Land line calls come up as a dot on the map on their computer, cell phones do not do that but they can locate them pretty close. Discussed possible new Verizon tower. Verizon is currently using Region 26 tower but looking at a better location. If they move their equipment off of the Region 26 tower it will be usable for a long time, however, the new tower will be in a more accessible location. Working on 1<sup>st</sup> Net, a government requirement for nationwide broadband network. Meeting hosted at Region 26. Scott Philbrick is County representative for 1<sup>st</sup> Net. At this time, 1<sup>st</sup> Net is years down the road.

Mail Folder: none.



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Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m., to reconvene on December 29, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the December 8, 2015 meeting and an agenda for the December 29, 2015 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and 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 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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Jenette G. Lindsey, Valley County Clerk