

Valley County Board Minutes



VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, December 29, 2015, at 9:00 a.m. in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Deputy Clerk Musil served in place of Clerk Lindsey, who was absent. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; absent, none. Musil verified meeting notice published; agenda posted. Minutes of December 8, 2015 were approved on motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Waldmann 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 on counter. No public comment offered.

Road Secretary Simpson reported December Road Claims: payroll \$41,874.34, accounts payable \$50,520.62; larger claims were truck tires, clear diesel, posts, cross chain hooks, filters, oil, parts, traffic signs, shop tools, tire repair, gravel; \$59,983.78 in Road Fund, Hwy Allocation for December was \$60,700.36; \$48,722 left in gravel budget; used right at 50% of Road Budget. Discussed contracting fuel.

Discussed Easement 14-383 for Donald J. Gasper, who applied for the easement to install a drainage pipe under 809th Road, however, the pipe was never installed. Clerk Lindsey sent a letter asking if he still intended to install the pipe or if he wanted his \$100 deposit refunded, but received no reply. Following discussion, Baker moved to refund the deposit, second Cullers. Following further discussion, it was decided that Mr. Gasper should be informed that he would need to apply for a new Easement should he decide to install a drainage pipe. Yes: Helen, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

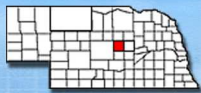
Road Supt. Meyer reported on pricing of used and new motor graders based on information received from Eddie Bomar of NMC. Discussed lease purchase option or outright purchase. It would be beneficial to get into a rotation with the graders to keep them more current. The used machines were traded in by Hall County. Meyer looked at them and talked with Hall County and NMC about the machines and listed various repairs that would be made prior to purchase. Meyer is satisfied with the machines and the pricing, he noted the law allows the county to purchase used machines without bidding if there is a significant savings.

Meyer's General Report included: contracted clear diesel, saving 25 cents per gallon, will save \$14,400 over last year; plowed and salted roads several times last month; Sunday out at 5:00, plowed all gravel roads, some areas had 6-8 inches of snow; starting sign inventory inspection in January, obtained a reflectometer on lease from NIRMA which measures sign reflectivity to determine if they need to be replaced; started cutting trees last week, will continue as time allows; purchased another load of salt due to ice, we picked up to save delivery charge, salt line item will go over budget, but is necessary for safety. Meyer will return for further discussion of motor graders when Bomar arrives.

Weed Supt. Kaminski presented the 2016 Weed Control Plan for the Board's review. Sevenker noted correction needed on local news media contact information. Kaminski said he has made the correction and called Game & Parks for an update, but had to leave a message. The plan presented today is preliminary. They can review, ask questions and make changes. He will bring it back at the first January meeting for their approval.

Jane John presented the Tourism Committee report, noting the photo contest, Nebraska Life Advertising and the newest idea of having information available in kiosks since it is hard to get information on weekends. The cost and placement of kiosks was discussed.

Hospital Report presented by Ashley Woodward included: request for County approval of required forms for Valley County Hospital Home Health and Valley County Hospital At Home Professional Care, Cullers so moved, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Woodward said Nancy Glaubke has been hired as the Hospital Administrator, to begin January



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11, 2016. The annual Love Light Ceremony held Dec. 10, Christmas party Dec. 4, included Long Term Care employees. Nursing Home received skilled nursing facility designation so Medicare will pay for use of the facility for rehab after surgery if the patient qualifies. Woodward reviewed the financial information.

Meeting recessed at 10:25 a.m., reconvened at 10:30 a.m. with all members present.

Ryan Simpson and Scott Philbrick appeared to discuss the Emergency Management position. Simpson noted he continues to hold the position because he cares about the citizens in the county but thinks it almost needs to be a full time position and noted other counties have gone together to hire someone full time. He reviewed what the position requires them to do. They each had to take personal days off to assist with the flooding in North Loup. Sevenker said the Board can't do much until the new budget year with regard to compensation. Simpson suggested putting a line item in their budget to compensate them when they had to take off from their regular work. Sevenker felt the county should check with other counties to see how they deal with the Emergency Management position.

Eddie Bomar of NMC and Road Supt. Meyer appeared to discuss the possible purchase of new or used motor graders. Following discussion, it was decided to carry the decision over to the January 12 meeting, at which time Attorney Hanson can advise as to whether the used machines have to be bid. Bomar agreed to hold the machines until the January 12 meeting.

At 11:15 a.m., the Board of Equalization was convened on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. The Assessor, Treasurer, and Deputy Clerk were present.

Treasurer Suminski presented Motor Vehicle Exemption forms, 5 sent out, 3 returned. This is done annually. Suminski asked the Board to approve the exemptions on condition their signed Form 457 is received. Following discussion, Cetak moved, Cullers seconded, approving Form 457 Motor Vehicle Exemptions for Bethel Baptist Church, Arcadia United Methodist Church, Lee Park Cemetery, Mid-Nebraska Individual Services, Loup Basin RC&D. Baker suggested a deadline be set for return of the applications next year. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Assessor Arnold presented Tax List Correction #3826 for Marvin D. Gydesen per information received from the State Tax Commissioner indicating the allowable exemption for 2013 is 55%, not the 100% they initially received. Following discussion, Cullers moved to approve Tax List Correction #3826, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

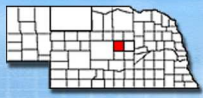
The Board moved back into regular session on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Under the Treasurer's Report, Suminski presented Tax List Corrections #3826 for Marvin D. Gydesen and #3824 for Ronald & Lynne Upah, asking that the approximately \$600 interest on #3826 and approximately \$200 interest on #3824 be waived. Baker moved to approve waiving the interest on Tax List Correction #3826, after further discussion, Baker amended his motion to waive the interest on both Tax List Correction #3826 and #3824, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke.

Suminski reviewed the Month End Fund Report for November: General Fund balance \$99,895.92, \$5000 withdrawn from the Veterans' Aid Fund by the VSO, Inheritance Tax Fund \$1,316,555, principle payment on bonds paid in November and December. Resolution 15-12, designating bank depositories approved on motion of Baker, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

The Levy Comparison sheet prepared by Treasurer Suminski was reviewed.

County Attorney Hanson reported the City Attorney talked to him about the Jerry Hopkins property north of the high school. The City would like to get it cleaned up. Suminski said this property has been on the tax sale certificates, and county has to follow certain rules in order to foreclose. Cullers took information to the



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City earlier regarding this property. Suminski noted there is State Assessment on this property. The County cannot forgive property taxes.

County Attorney Hanson reported: REA wants to move some polls, will be on next agenda; cost to county for person committed to a regional facility; \$15 per day for first 30 days, \$3.00 per day after, if no family; County needs to bid items over \$20,000 unless there is a significant savings. Following discussion, it was decided to publish an intent to purchase 5 days prior to meeting and Attorney Hanson will provide the wording for the topic on the Jan 12 agenda.

As requested by Kayla Hinrichs, the Board approved the appointment of Barb Dorsey to the Central IV Area Extension Board for a 3 year term on motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

VSO Walt Smith was not present for discussion of his request for an assistant and a computer, so no action was taken at this time.

Discussion of the Employee Recognition Dinner will be carried over to the next agenda.

Sevenker talked to Rich Woolen, NRD Forrester, about Courthouse trees that may be dying. Mr. Woolen felt the spruce and pine should be left until spring to check for signs of life and said Nebr. Forrest Service has mini grants available and NRD may be able to help too. Waldmann will visit with Doug Anderson about the trees. Baker said Halsey has bug resistant pines. DeRiso questioned whether seedlings or larger trees should be planted. Cullers suggested drawing up a plan for placement and types of trees.

The Website Update is to be carried over to the next meeting.

Cullers moved to approve signing new signature page for the MOU for Healing Hearts and Families due to the addition of Gosper County, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

December Claims of \$256,189.60 were reviewed and approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso.

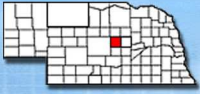
Following discussion of the Annual Property Schedule Review, it was felt that Road Supt. Meyer should go over the insured amounts to make sure they are appropriate for the age and condition of the item.

Committee Reports: DeRiso said Sheri Craft has finished the History of North Loup for the County Website; Sevenker is waiting to hear from Overhead Door; Cullers got information on NACo, the national county organization, and feels it should be on the next agenda to consider joining; received a Thank You from the Chamber for County support; Cullers has annual report from NCF which is available for review.

Mail folder items: none.

Meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m., to reconvene January 12, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session. Complete minutes of the December 29 meeting and an agenda for the January 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.

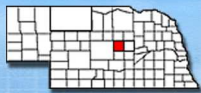
I, the undersigned Deputy County Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the County Board, that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for 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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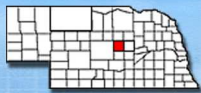
Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session in their Courthouse meeting room on Tuesday, January 26, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; absent, none. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. The Clerk noted the January 12 minutes need to be amended to correct the Fund Request amount, because the \$5000 housing rehab funds are not needed until the rehab work is begun. The January 12, 2016 Fund Request corrected amount is \$37,124.15. The corrected January 12 Minutes were approved on motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Abstain: Waldmann absent Jan. 13. VanSlyke moved to adopt agenda, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. 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 \$60,932.07, payroll \$42,945.23, received highway allocation of \$58,647.45, Motor Vehicle fees of \$13,240.21. Simpson said the Road budget was 62% used at this time last year, 55% used this year.

As noted in the ad placed in the Quiz regarding the Board's intent to make a special purchase of a used motor grader at a significant savings and waive the bidding requirements, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. 23-3109 (3), discussion was held regarding said purchase. Meyer and Kolar found the used machine they want, noting needed repairs which CAT agreed to fix, at a cost of \$120,000. Meyer will trade in the 1995 John Deere, trade in value \$11,500. Further discussion included: might sell '95 JD for more; 2 other machines to trade, '92 140G Cat \$40,150 and '69 14E \$5000; want to buy three new machines; CAT has program to buy or lease and gives parts credit of \$13,000 on each machine; lease through CAT would be 4% interest, CAT finance outright purchase \$2.49% interest, NACO financing around 2%; Meyer proposes to remove \$20,000 grader blades from his budget to pay for a machine and buy blades with the CAT parts credit; all have 5 year/5000 hour warranty; they put on about 800 hours per year; have 11 machines now; both CAT and John Deere have state bid; Meyer said Road budget could afford payments, paying \$42,000 yearly now, 2 more payments and it is paid off, budgets \$75,000 for upgrades which could be put toward new machine. Baker moved to purchase the 2006 12H CAT grader at \$120,000 and trade in the '95 John Deere 770 for \$11,500, leaving a balance of \$108,500 to be paid from Inheritance Tax Fund, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. It was agreed that it would be best to purchase 2 new graders through the state bid at \$232,500 each. Meyer will figure out how much his budget can pay and the Board will decide whether to finance or pay from Inheritance Tax. Meyer will get firm quotes on financing and the Road budget amounts available and check with NACO on interest rates. Cullers noted that \$473,000 of the Inheritance Tax fund has already been spoken for. This will be continued to the next meeting agenda. Meyer will talk to Attorney Hanson on legalities and will notify CAT of the Board's motion.

Baker moved to set February 23, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. to review the 1 & 6 Year Plan, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer's General Report included: State is proposing a change to minimum design standards on rebuilt roads, to be implemented later this year, not major changes for us; working on sign repair/replace, they fill out sheets on each sign; plowed and treated paved roads Jan. 9, yesterday and this morning, graveled Jan. 21 and 22; the Oak Creek bill is for the design of a 3 span bridge north of North Loup, after the RR tracks, which needs to be scheduled for replacement, need to apply for the corps permit, and a phone line will need to be moved, can use Federal Buy Back funds and see what the gas tax increase brings, can let bids once sufficient funds are available; also need to start design process for a bridge north on Haskell Creek Ave. which needs to be scheduled for replacement, likes to stretch out projects over couple of years to minimize the impact; cutting trees on Haskell Creek, working north to County line; couple weeks ago began cutting trees south of North Loup near a residence, could not use tree shredder there, a resident was concerned about the cutting, trees were a safety hazard hanging over the road, so they rented a man-lift and cut the trees and piled them in the Village of North Loup's tree pile; working on 1 & 6 Year Plan; 315 plow truck in for repair; Ron from LVRPP told Meyer he appreciated the County Board's support and said they think they can work it out to put the line on the west side of the road for the Wadas'; VanSlyke noted he has noticed a big bump in a bridge he hauls hay over, Meyer said there is a lot of heaving going on now, he will look at it. Sevenker noted the Miller and Associates bill is still on the



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agenda. The bill was received a year ago, some of the work listed was done in 2013 and 2014, they did not contact Meyer before surveying as they agreed to when they were appointed, and some of the set-backs they should have completed are being done by the current County Surveyor. The motor grader purchase is to be continued to the next meeting agenda.

Hospital CEO Nancy Glaubke and CFO Ashley Woodward presented the Hospital Report. Woodward reviewed the statistics and financial information: ADC down some, Operating room visits down some, Radiology tests up, MRI's down, overall up 5%; out-patient up, podiatry and oncology available, hospice use is up; actual revenue is up 2% over budget for the month, down .4% for the year, LTC no longer in the Gross numbers now; salaries and benefits down a bit, other operating expense over budget by 2.8%; Balance Sheet made bond payment in December, total liabilities down, income is related to meaningful use audit, Medicare is starting the audit in May. Glaubke said a grant was received for two Lukesh machines, which are automatic CPR machines, ambulance and ER happy to have them; Dr. Bengston does EMT training each year for EMT's in the area; new surgeon is Dr. Seip, specialty clinic has grown a lot, as has the walk in clinic; Home Health and Hospice cover a large area, Brenda Landsman is starting as on OT; imaging dept. promoting mammograms; employee retention is important, gold star award given out, staff action committee contracted with a Barrista that comes up from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, no charge to employees; annual gala sponsored by foundation, made \$34,00 to go toward patient lifts for acute care; watching experience ratio mod for Workmen's Comp to keep under 1, at .94 now.

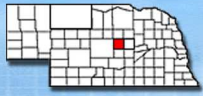
Meeting recessed at 10:15 a.m. and reconvened at 10:25 a.m. with all members present.

Planning & Zoning Admin., Sheri Goodrich, presented information regarding the GIS contract for a zoning tab to be added to the Assessor's program. This would provide the public and Planning & Zoning with the ability to put an overlay on top of a specific parcel of land and see the location of roads, buildings, etc. in relation to a proposed structure; this would speed up the permit process; there is a \$3500 set up fee and a \$3500 yearly fee, which would be prorated the first year based on the month it is operational; she could maintain tabs of overlays for feedlots, cell towers or anything else that is mapped; the villages are included, but Ord City has their own zoning; Goodrich would try to include the City zoning maps if possible; Assessor sends ownership changes, zoning would send road and property changes. Cullers moved to approve the Planning and Zoning GIS website contract and authorize Planning & Zoning Admin. Goodrich to sign the contract, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Goodrich noted that the Planning Commission is meeting Feb. 11 to consider approval of the updated Zoning Regulations. They have held the required public hearing. The County Board also needs to hold a public hearing on the updated regulations and act on them. Some of the changes include: ROW setbacks changed from 83' to 60' from road center; written pivot regulations have been added to require the pad be 10' from ROW and a 1' stop bar, existing pivots would be grandfathered in; redefined home based business, now allows house to be used as business without living in it; adult entertainment regulations have been established. She will monitor updates on the Website to be sure they are correct and current; new regulations will be posted on the County website.

Veterans' Service Officer, Walt Smith, appeared to request an office in the Courthouse with a desk, file cabinet, computer and an assistant. He noted the auditors were in and all is fine. His comments included: continues to get more and more business, worked with a couple of suicide attempts, helps with grocery needs, benefits are less, tries to find alternatives for them; VA is asking that he get a computer, printer and an assistant. Cullers asked if he kept track of numbers, Smith said he did not. He said he brought 4.1 million dollars into the county in veterans' benefits. Discussion was held on finding a location in the Courthouse for a VSO Office, and getting a computer hooked up. Smith will check with the VA on paying for a computer. He would start an assistant at \$10.00 per hour. This will be continued on the next meeting agenda.

The Board of Equalization was convened at 11:15 a.m. on motion of Waldmann, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Assessor and Clerk were present.

Assessor Arnold presented Tax List Correction #38127 for Ronnie C. Hulinsky. The letter of notification from the State Tax Commissioner dated Dec. 2, 2015 was attached. The State indicates the 2013 exemption is denied because their records indicate the 2012 household income exceeded the statutory income limit, and says they have 30 days to appeal the denial. Arnold said the State does not send her the Correction Notice until the 30 day protest period has



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elapsed. Following discussion, VanSlyke moved to approve Tax List Correction #3827 for Ronnie C. Hulinsky, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

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

County Attorney Hanson had no report.

Discussion of the Miller and Associates bill dated Feb. 16, 2015 from their time as County Surveyor included: some of the charges are a year old; as noted in the County Board Minutes of 1-11-11, Ridgeway agreed to notify the county prior to surveying, that was not done, tying out and retying work for state project not completed timely, original billing amount was \$16,534, in response to letter from County Attorney they lowered their request to \$15,789. Following discussion, Baker moved to offer Miller and Associates \$10,000 to settle the matter, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. County Attorney Hanson will write a letter offering the settlement.

Discussion on leasing the East County Farm, Mortensen Site Farm and lots that are being farmed or maintained included: better to bid in Sept. rather than March, last year Mortensen Site Farm was leased for 1 year, East County Farm for 3 years, would like to offer 2 year contract on the Mortensen Site Farm to get them back on the same schedule, legal descriptions on some of the leases need to be corrected.

Following discussion of the Employee Recognition dinner, Waldmann agreed to check on dates the room used last year at the fairgrounds would be available in Feb. and March.

January Claims and Fund Request were reviewed and approved in the amount of \$296,720.54, on motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Baker moved to accept Wozab Fund applications from Feb. 8 through March 14, and consider the applications at the Wozab Foundation Fund Board of Directors meeting on March 28, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. The amount available to award is \$31,995.56. Baker moved to discontinue the Wozab Scholarship Award, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Following discussion of joining the National Association of Counties, Baker moved to not join NACo, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: Cullers, Sevenker. Absent: none.

Following discussion, Waldmann moved to offer \$500 to the individual who comes up with the best design for a county flag, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Following further discussion, VanSlyke moved that the flag design contest is open to Valley County residents only and the design is due by June 14, 2016, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

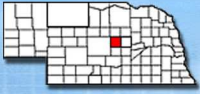
Cullers reported Wozab Fund began at \$1,238,024.44 and ended at 1,245,760.36 for the quarter.

Cullers reported for Region 3, from their January 22 meeting and the annual report: behavioral health is large and getting larger in our country; FY June 30, 2015 \$12,962,187 was expended for providers, network administration, computer system; top priority is youth. The Legislative overview for the regional governing board: 10 bills, 3 of them opposed by Beth Baxter; Senator Schumacher wants to do away with the Regions; EPC option for hearing or release based on evaluation, requires hearing 24 hours prior to being taken to EPC; 6 million dollar annual cost to counties, Region 3 has the highest number of EPC's; mini grants awarded to 17 communities; April 29 is next meeting.

Mail folder items available for review: none.

Meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m., to reconvene on February 9, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the January 26, 2016 meeting and an agenda for the February 9, 2016 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.

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Road Supt. Meyer was present for discussion of the possible purchase of motor graders. Following discussion, Baker moved to purchase one motor grader with Inheritance Tax funds and finance the other motor grader, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. The loader will be discussed at a later date.

Meyer's General Report included: plowing and widening roads, by Tuesday night had 1 way passage on all roads, worked part of Saturday, worked late to get Psota out; 220 hours overtime from Tuesday through Saturday, some want pay, some will take comp time, budget extra for overtime; KNLV did good job notifying public of road conditions; city thanked county for use of a county truck; Waldmann commended Meyer on job well done; Meyer noted trees removed on Ashton Road made a problem with drifts; Surveyor Jesse Hurt of Olsson Assoc. sends an email to notify county if he is asked to find a corner.

Veterans' Service Officer Smith was not able to be present, but had indicated that the State is not willing to contribute to the purchase of a computer, desk or paying for an assistant. Sevenker noted that Judge Brodbeck did not think it would work to share the County Courtroom. Discussion included: there is a room on the third floor that would work, it was also noted that the Probation Office has 2 rooms and might be willing to share one if privacy issues could be worked out. Cullers said the Garfield County VSO provides a quarterly report and felt that was a good idea. Cullers will talk to Probation.

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

The Clerk was directed to write a letter of thanks to Miller and Associates regarding their acceptance of the County's offer of \$10,000 to pay off the disputed invoice and notify them that a check in that amount would be approved at the next County Board meeting.

County Attorney Hanson said he reviewed the Mortensen Industrial Site leases and believes they are now correct. Sevenker would like to leave the leases as they are for 2 more years so they would be on the same time schedule as the farm lease, but Attorney Hanson advises that they should be bid. Following discussion, the Clerk was directed to advertise for two weeks that bids will be taken on March 8, 2016 for the following properties: 46.94 irrigated acres of the Mortensen Tract; L1, L2, L3 (6.51 acres) in the 4th Subdivision, L4 (2.21 acres dryland) in the 1st Subdivision. The bids will be good for 2 years and will expire at the same time as the East Farm lease, February 28, 2018. VanSlyke moved to approve sending addendums to Schaaf's Annual Lease and continue the lease on the East Farm and the Mortensen Tract Farm, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Treasurer Suminski presented the Fund Balance Report for January, noting \$335,644.45 General, \$75,467.27 Road, \$36,151.21 Relief, \$1,361,060.58 Inheritance Tax, \$98,849.16 Debt Serv. (bonds). The TIF process is completed for Grandview, they will go back on the tax rolls. The Delinquent Tax List was reviewed and will be published for 3 weeks as required. They are listed by value. Tax sale will be held March 7.

As Suminski requested, Baker moved to waive the interest on Tax List Correction 3827 for Ronnie C. Hulinsky, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Suminski explained that a decimal point error was made in the commission figured from Twin Loups, 10% was used when it should have been 1%. Cullers moved to approve Suminski's request to approve a claim to the General Fund to refund the commission overage to Twin Loups Irrigation Dist., second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.



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Road Supt. Meyer returned to report that a trade in is not allowed on the State Bid, as it is not a competitive bid. If the Board is okay with a trade-in allowance, the purchase can go forward. The Board is okay with it.

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

Following discussion, the Employee Recognition Dinner was set for Saturday, March 19 at the Fairgrounds. Cullers will check on a caterer, Waldmann will book the room.

Following review, the Fund Request and Claims in the amount of \$29,040.27 were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cullers. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

The NIRMA Underwriting Questionnaire for 2016/2017 was reviewed. Waldmann confirmed that the fairgrounds was owned by the Ag Society, which is a Governmental entity. They get tax dollars and hold election of officers.

Jail Standards will inspect the Jail on March 9, 2016. Board members can attend if they want to.

DeRiso said he was asked about the fees Nebr. Community Foundation charges to manage the Wozab Funds for the County. Cullers said the fees are very reasonable and she will bring information on that to the next meeting.

Cullers said Scott Musil is sending her old post cards with pictures of Ord that they hope can be enlarged and displayed in the lower lobby. She asked DeRiso and VanSlyke to get old pictures of Arcadia and North Loup that can be displayed.

Waldmann reported that Hall County Extension Agent is coming to Ord on March 3 for an appointment and would be willing to look at the trees on the Courthouse lawn and give an opinion on them. She would be here about 1:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m., to reconvene on February 23, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session. Complete minutes of the February 9 meeting and an agenda for the February 23 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.

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, February 23, 2016 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. 9 approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Agenda for Feb. 23 adopted on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. Chairman Sevenker noted posting of the Open Meetings Act on the west wall, copies available. No public comment offered.

Road Secretary Simpson reviewed the February claims, noting the larger expenses. Total accounts payable \$24,554.65, payroll \$41,891.76. Highway Allocation of \$53,363.03 and Incentive Payment of \$9,000 were received for February. A fund transfer was not needed. At this time last year 66% of the budget had been spent, this year 58% has been spent. The bill to Oak Ridge Farms is due to the use of a personal credit card to make a purchase for the Road Dept. Discussion was held regarding providing a County Credit Card, and the Clerk was directed to place this topic on the next meeting agenda.

Road Supt. Meyer reported the 12H used machine was delivered on the 10th, is in use, will put in the claim for it in March; the other two machines will be ordered, may take 3-4 months for delivery, might be in next budget year before payment is due; documentation was provided to the Clerk for the state bid on the other 2 machines; need to look at interest rates for financing, Road Fund can absorb payments of around \$50,000 per year; Board can decide which machine to pay for from Inheritance Tax, either the one the 92140G Cat was traded in on or the one without a trade in; will eventually sell the old 69 CAT 14E, following discussion Baker moved to approve taking bids on the 1969 CAT 14E motor grader, bids to be delivered to the County Clerk by 9:00 a.m. on April 12, 2016, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer's General Report included: Jerod working on 303 truck fuel tank, new lift cylinder must be special made, may not get until March; usable, but hoist leaks oil; fixed head gasket on 315 truck; cost \$3000 to fix machine 101, also had to fix tire chains and snow plow shoes, ordered more tire chains; maintaining roads this week until all have been gone over; continue hand patching; paved roads holding up good so far; Sevenker asked about Nebr. Distillers road, Meyer said should begin work when weather clears, he will check with Olsson on permits and with Vlach's; VanSlyke noted roads in his area are in good shape and gravel is coming back good.

At 9:30 a.m., the public hearing on the One and Six Year Road Plans was opened, no one was present to offer comments. Meyer reviewed the listed road projects, noting that Form 11 lists the previous year's work, uncompleted projects go back on the 1 year plan; want to cut hill down on Sargent Road this year and narrow Round Barn Road as it is hard to maintain, also bridge north of Hwy 22 needs replacing with culverts, already designed and corp permit, 6 year plan is a number of bridge projects, rated based on state inspection; One and Six Year Plan shows our need and that funding will be used as intended; Sargent Road is well graveled and will always be on the list due to high traffic; design standards are set by the state, they can withhold funds if we don't do projects; he estimated costs at 8-10 thousand dollars engineering on large projects, 5-7 thousand on smaller projects. Hearing was closed by Chairman Sevenker at 9:45 a.m. Baker moved to approve the Affidavit and Resolution 16-02, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

CEO Glaubke and CFO Woodward reported for VCHS. Glaubke noted that Riley's contract was renewed; an EMT recertification was hosted by VCHS; 3 new hires, no separations; walk-in clinic has been very successful; Board voted to close North Loup Clinic due to leaky roof repair cost of \$3500 and small number of patients, will meet with Village regarding the building; Sevenker received a call from someone interested in purchasing the building; Cullers asked if Loup City and Burwell Clinics were doing well and was told they are; new Dr. coming in August. Woodward reviewed the financial information packet presented: ADC 6.3 which is under YTD, mostly Medicare so not affecting bottom line, ER down, Lab down, diagnostics and outpatient up, podiatry and oncology added, income statement no longer contains LTC.

A recess was called at 10:10 a.m., meeting reconvened at 10:20 a.m.

Each Supervisor received a copy of the audit, which will be on the next meeting agenda for Board action.



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Valley County Planning & Zoning Administrator Sheri Goodrich and consultant Orval Stahr were present to discuss the updated Comprehensive Zoning Plan and Regulations. Discussion included: can provide full copy by email to any Board Member who wants it; all municipalities have a one mile radius; ethanol plant annexed by Ord City, City does not want to take care of the area around the ethanol plant, Ag business does not have the 1 mile restriction if it is a TIF area, North Loup Fire District does not get the taxes, Stahr said there is no legal remedy, they are working with North Loup and Arcadia, they have the option to not exercise the 1 mile radius; Distillers plant road is not in the annexation area; Stahr recommends County apply for livestock friendly designation; new regs are specifically tailored to Valley County, no changes needed to be designated livestock friendly; ne regs allow any new confined or intensive feeding under 2500 animal units would be permitted use, no public hearing required; Ord City is also updating their regs; Stahr said zoning regs should encourage development, not discourage it; will include regs for pivots, also included regs for adult businesses; Baker moved to schedule a public hearing for the updated Planning & Zoning Regulations and Comprehensive Plan on March 29, 2016 at 10:00 a.m., second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

The Board of Equalization was convened at 11:25 a.m. on motion of Cetak, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. The Assessor and Clerk were present. The Form 451 Property Exemption Applications by Qualifying Organizations were heard.

Attorney Curt Sikyta was present for Karp & Krow and GLVA. Jennifer Plate was present for Valley Performing Arts Theater/Golden Husk. Plate noted they had a 501c(3) designation from the IRS. Assessor Arnold asked if any profit was realized and Plate said there was none, all profit goes back into the project. Assessor Arnold recommended approval. Cullers moved to approve the exempt application for Valley Performing Arts Theater, second Waldmann. When asked if they had paid employees, Plate said they split one employee with Valley County Community Foundation. The County Attorney did not have a problem with that. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

Cullers moved to approve exemption applications for Karp & Krow and GLVA, second VanSlyke. Sikyta noted GLVA has an interlocal agreement with Valley County, City of Ord, Ord Chamber, Ord Economic Development. The building is the headquarters for ED, the Community College, almost 100% contributions, realized some money from lot sales in Rolling Hills, contributed \$800,000 to the new pool, no tax payer funds. Karp & Krow charges dues and occasionally rents the facility for \$80, has one or two shoots per year which make \$1800 to \$5000 which goes to the treasury to develop the grounds, donate to Ducks Unlimited and Pheasants Forever, sponsor gun classes, hunter education, bow and rifle fishing clinics for kids. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

Following discussion, VanSlyke moved to approve the Vets' Grounds at 100%, the Veterans Memorial Building at 50%, and the remaining applicants as recommended by the Assessor, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

The Preliminary Agland Values for 2015 & 2016 provided by Assessor Arnold were reviewed. Arnold noted that irrigated and dry values were not raised, but there were a lot of sales of grass. New costs and depreciation studies will be used, sales studies on residential will be implemented. If a garage has living quarters in part of it, that part is valued by the square foot.

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

County Attorney Hanson reported that he is reviewing leases to make sure they are correct; there is a jurisdiction question regarding a death that occurred on Sunday, fixing up Premier Pump and Petska.

Sevenker reminded everyone that the lease of County Real Estate has been advertised for March 8 at 11:00 a.m. It was noted that the Central District Meeting is March 17 at the Borders Inn in Grand Island.

Discussion of the Employee Recognition Dinner included: will be held on March 19 in the Fairgrounds meeting room, Roy Farrens will cater the meal at a cost of \$13.00 per person, plus cost of dinnerware. Baker moved to accept the food bid from Roy Farrens, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Clerk will send out notice to all employees inviting them and their families and



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provide a count of those attending to Mr. Farrens a week prior to the event. Social hour to begin at 5:00 p.m., meal served at 6:00 p.m.

The Board was reminded that the Hall County Extension agent will look at the trees on the Courthouse lawn on March 3, 2016, and they are welcome to be present for the inspection.

Jail inspection will take place on March 9.

Following review, the March Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$230,970.67 were approved on motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Financial interest forms are required to be completed and returned to the Nebr. Accountability and Disclosure office by April 1, 2016.

Chairman Sevenker reported for Building & Grounds that Judge Noakes asked Custodian Vanek about power issues in the bench area. Local Electrician Jim Augustyn checked out the wiring in the bench area and found it to be okay. He said it was rewired on its own circuit a couple of years ago. Augustyn looked at lighting in the Courtroom, Boardroom and other areas with regard to replacing the florescent lighting with LED lights. He will put together pricing information on new lighting.

At the request of Supervisor DeRiso, Cullers presented a fee schedule from Nebraska Community Foundation for the Wozab Fund. DeRiso agreed that the fees are very reasonable.

Cullers reported that she had written a letter to the Revenue Committee, with a copy to NACO, regarding LB936 which would decrease the amount of Inheritance Tax counties currently collect.

DeRiso reported that Mid Plains is in good shape financially, they are looking to add to the 16 foster homes currently available as they have 57 requests they are unable to place.

Cetak reported that Mid Nebraska Individual Services is doing well.

Mail Folder items: none.

Meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m., to reconvene on March 8, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the February 23 meeting and an agenda for the March 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.

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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, March 8, 2016 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 23 meeting minutes approved on motion of Baker, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Waldmann moved to adopt the agenda, second DeRiso. 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, Cullers moved to approve refunding Easement 15-384 for Rolan Sell, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Also on Meyer's recommendation, Waldmann moved to approve Easement 16-395 for Eugene Michalski, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

The County Board reviewed the Nebr. Board of Engineers letter stating that Dennis A. Vodicka and Standard Bridge Company, LLC was ordered by the Board to cease and desist all acts constituting the unlicensed practice of engineering.

Meyer said he talked to Vlach regarding 811th Road project, they have not received Notice to Proceed, Olsson's email indicates they received Vlach's liability insurance information; Railroad preliminary estimate total is \$25,000 higher than Olsson's original estimate. Sevenker suggested Olsson's be invited to the next meeting to discuss the higher estimate.

Meyer's General Report included: letter from NDOR indicates county will receive STP Funds of \$71,728 and Bridge Funds of \$30,464; they are kept in separate accounts, and can be stock piled for large projects; STP funds can be used for streets, roads and bridges; Bridge funds can only be used for bridges; maintaining minimum maintenance roads, still have snow in places; done with hand patching paved roads, holding up well; hauling gravel; some ditches to clean out, small bridge east of Jack's house to be replaced with tubes, ordered culverts for bridge replacement on 475th Ave. at Triple T feed lot, company out of Canada makes a road sloper, fits on side of grader, mounts on wing attachment, acts like a disc, breaks up clods, checking to see if any cost share through LTAP, cost is \$60,000, can retrieve gravel without sod and clumps. Meyer received a text from Olssons saying the railroad estimate is based on 64' and Olssons estimate was based on 47', they will check into why the railroad used the larger number. Sevenker noted the Stowell, Geweke corner is bad, Jay said it was patched this morning. Further discussion on the sloper included: attachment also acts as postless wing, can use on attachment, is hydraulically driven, claims retrieves 25-35% of gravel back, they will bring it and demo it, would cost 40 to 50 thousand for new disk, will look into it more, get references and may go to South Dakota to view.

Supervisor Baker left the meeting at 9:50 a.m. to attend a funeral.

Weed Supt. Kaminski was present for discussion on renewal of his contract and the annual resolution authorizing himself, the County Board and County Attorney to fulfill the duties of the office. Kaminski indicated that he will ask for a raise in his budget for the 16-17 fiscal year, and noted that he was evaluated yesterday by the State. Following discussion, VanSlyke moved to approve the contract and Resolution 16-03, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Baker.

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

The County Attorney had no report, but noted that a second Jury Term will be coming in May.

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

The following informational items were reviewed: Central District Meeting March 17 in Grand Island, Wozab meeting 7:00 p.m. March 28 to review applications, Financial Interest Statements due April 1, Employee Recognition Dinner is March 19, Jail Inspection on March 9.

Following discussion, Cullers moved to approve February Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$25,428.66, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Baker.



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The letter requesting reimbursement of direct costs for the HHS Office for FY 14-15 was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Mayor Goldfish and Paul Markowski were present for Ord City and County Treasurer Suminski and County Attorney Hanson were present to discuss the Jerry Hopkins property. The City wants to clean up several properties and would like to work with the County on a procedure to do so. Suminski said the County has to go through the August Tax Sale Certificate process before the foreclosure process can be started. She noted the City could buy the tax sale certificates and sell them. If City buys, the taxes do not roll over each year. City will pay the back taxes, but not the paving assessments, and they will pay to tear down the house and clean up the property. County can file foreclosure proceedings in August, if no one answers, County can buy it and deed it to the City. City can give Suminski addresses of properties that are coming up and she can notify Attorney Hansen on August 1. Foreclosure wipes out all taxes. The City and County agreed to work together to clean up these properties.

Following discussion, the consideration of a County Credit Card will be carried over to the next meeting in order to get information from the local banks.

Discussion of the County Audit included: Attorney Hanson listed as appointed rather than elected; VSO agrees to discontinue issuing checks for office supplies from Veterans' Aid Fund bank account. The Audit of FY 14-15 was approved on motion of Cullers, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker.

The terms of Hospital Board members Nathan Flessner and Dr. Chuck Blaha expire April 30, 2016. They were appointed in March of 2013 to complete the terms of Dennis Greenland and Kara Fischer. Sevenker noted that both of them are willing to continue to serve, that they have done a good job and should be given the opportunity to serve a full term of 6 years. Following discussion, Waldmann moved to reappoint both men to a full term of 6 years, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Waldmann reported for the Building & Grounds Committee that Elizabeth Killinger, Hall County Extension Educator, looked at the trees on the Courthouse grounds. She felt both pines should be taken out, the tree with ants has fungus growing on it which is an indication of disease. She will draw up a plan with her suggestions for the County to consider.

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

The Form 451 Exemption Application for Heartland Youth Ranch was reviewed. Susan Schauer was present for Heartland Youth Ranch. Assessor Arnold presented a letter from Grace Willnerd, an Attorney with the Dept. of Rev., Property Assessment Division. The letter stated that, in order to be eligible for a permissive exemption, the property must be owned by the organization, not the persons representing the organization. Arnold apologized for not remembering that requirement upon receiving the Exemption Application. Schauer asked if the building would qualify for exemption if they deeded it to the Heartland Youth Ranch. Arnold said it would. Following additional discussion, the Form 451 Exemption Application for Heartland Youth Ranch was denied on motion of Waldmann, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Baker. Van Slyke moved to go out of BOE, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: one. Absent: Baker.

The Public Hearing was opened at 11:10 a.m. regarding the leasing of County owned real estate described as Tract 1: A portion of section 8, range 14, township 19 known as the Mortensen Tract, containing 46.94 irrigated acres. Tract 2: Lots 1, 2, and 3 (6.51 acres) in the 4th Subdivision of the Mortensen Industrial Tract. Tract 3: Lot 4 (2.21 acres dryland) in the 1st Subdivision of the Mortensen Industrial Tract. Marty Petska, Curt Petska, Joel Kokes and Corey Schaaf were present for the hearing and presented a letter outlining their concerns with bidding the property at this time. James Knapp was also present. Discussion included: the letter noted that their understanding was the lots rented at the farm rent rate would be continued until the lots were claimed for economic development; Sevenker agreed that was his understanding too; it was noted that Kokes has a 99 year lease on both lots; Knap said he is okay with whatever the Board decides; Waldmann moved to approve rental of the lots Schaaf and Petska are currently renting at the farm rent rate to continue for 2 more years, on Knapps agreement to a 2 year extension at the same rate



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for the County Farm, VanSlyke seconded the motion. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Baker. Knapp said he only pays for the water he uses, the County pays the rest. He said he has adequate water. The Clerk is to send bills for the rent for last year and this year. The Hearing was closed at 11:30 a.m. There was no bidding on any of the County owned real estate at this time.

Cullers reported: Surveyor Hurt spoke to the Clerk on scanning surveys, more information needed; requested and received permission for Custodian Vanek to paint the jury room and the Judges Office.

Following discussion on the trees, Sevenker said he will call Leth to remove the dead one and look at the other one.

Mail Folder items: none.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m., to reconvene on March 28, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. as the Wozab Advisory Committee, March 29, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the March 8 meeting and an agenda for the March 28 and March 29 meetings are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk.

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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, March 29, 2016 in the Courthouse Boardroom. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; absent none. Clerk verified meeting notice published; agenda posted. March 8 Minutes approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Cullers moved to adopt the agenda, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldman. DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted posting of Open Meetings Act; public copies available on counter. No public comment offered.

Secretary Simpson gave the Road Claims & Balances Report for March: Accounts Payable \$23,246.08 Payroll \$43,516.47; larger expenses were reviewed; County received Street and Bridge Buyback funds of \$71,728.48 and \$30,464.02 respectively; no transfer was needed; Inheritance Tax paid for the motor grader \$108,500; at this time last year 70% of the budget had been used, this year it is 61% used. Meyer noted that their radiator work is done by Ropers in Kearney, it is not done "in-house"; discussed tree removal by REA with bucket truck and hydraulic saw.

Meyer asked the Board to approve taking bids on a new loader at the May 10, 2016 meeting. He will take care of advertising. The cost estimate is about \$200,000, which he thinks his budget will cover. Baker moved to take bids on new loader at 9:15 a.m. on May 10, 2016, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

Following discussion, on recommendation of Road Supt. Meyer, Baker moved to approve Easement Request #16-396 for Loup Valleys Rural Public Power District, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer's General Report included: REA has come to an agreement with Wadas' to place the poles on the east side of the road as originally planned. A total of \$102,192.50 received this year and 3,539.61 left from last year for a total of 105,732.11 in street and bridge buyback funds has been deposited with the Treasurer's Office and is available for projects; if we get the same amount next year, may look at bridge north of North Loup next year; worked on 481 Ave., southwest of North Loup, springs in area, built road up and cleaned ditches, works better; driveway tube installed a mile away from there; also out west of town on 814 and 815 roads by Vancura and Vavra; on 464 Ave. south of Pat's house, taking banks down, widening road, replaced fence, narrow section of road was a snow trap. Jay, John, Larry Kolar, Bud and neighbors met on Round barn road Friday to share concerns, plan to start rebuilding it next week, 2 mile segment to start, pull shoulders in, clean ditches, get crown in that road to get water to drain properly, carries a lot of traffic. Pushed snow 24th & 25th this month, sold surplus items at Wolf 867.10 net to county treasurer old ford tractor \$650 ran fine, but not used. Sold grader blades, broken sign posts, 6 grader tires @ \$5.00 ea., ordered striping paint, ordered with several counties, Merrick County orders, pick up there, did not go with state bid, saved \$5000 or \$6000 this year, different manufacturer, hope it is as good as Diamond Vogel, gravel reclaimer/sloper, will rent first and buy if we like it otherwise he will come and take it back. Will be well worth it if it actually reclaims 25% to 35% gravel as advertised, agreed to delay payments until next FY or if money left may pay for part of it. Should get it the week of the 11th or 18th. Cullers had a handout from a recent meeting which she gave to Meyer. He said the State wants counties to maintain surface intersections that meet a county road, they are usually paved and in the State ROW. This has been ongoing for several years. NDOR has a policy requiring counties to maintain the turnouts that meet our roads on their ROW.

Jeff Palik of Olsson Assoc. was present to discuss a discrepancy in their cost estimate regarding the relocation of 811th Road. Sevenker said the only justification for the project is to make a safer intersection and get the road back where it belongs, and he noted the County thought the cost would be shared with Economic Development and Nebraska Distillers, but Nebraska Distillers has decided not to participate at all. The cost has gone from an estimated \$100,000 to well over \$300,000 and now the Railroad discrepancy has come up. Palik said they put together an estimate based on their drawings and they underestimated the length of the crossing based on width of concrete ties, skew of road caused them to underestimate, they estimated 48', railroad estimate is 64'. The RR estimate has \$7000 worth of contingency built in, which may not need to be used, he talked to the RR and they said the estimate is a "not to exceed" amount, so there is a high possibility that it may come in under the estimate. He apologized for their error in estimating the crossing length. Palik said the crossing has to be built by the RR. Bob asked about staking for the



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project and Palik said no construction was included in their agreement, they were to get the County through the bidding process and awarding the contract. If County wants Olsson to do staking, a separate agreement would be required. Meyer provided an email from the RR to Olssons in October of 2015 in which the RR asked whether they wanted the RR to do the crossing or if they wanted to hire a contractor. Olssons replied on March 4, 2016 that they would prefer to have the RR do the crossing work. This option was never presented to the County. Vlach is ready to go to work, within the next 30 days or less. They would like to have it staked. Further discussion included if there is a need for relocating the road, safety issues with the road, sloping that may cause water to drain on Knapp's property. Sevenker felt the issue should be carried over to the next meeting and Nebr. Distillers and other involved parties be invited to attend to discuss where to go from here. Palik offered to provide the construction staking for the project at Olsson's expense, which he said would be about \$3000. Meyer will contact Vlach and tell him to hold off until after April 12, 2016. Palik agreed to come back for the April 12 meeting.

CFO Ashley Woodward and CEO Nancy Gaubke presented the monthly Hospital Report. Woodward reviewed the financial information for February: in-patient higher, March looks to be up as well, increase in radiology tests is a key factor in revenue, sleep study as out-patient service now offers home sleep study, out patient is up, specialty Doctors do this and it makes a huge difference, physician clinic up and Home Health, under budget a bit for gross patient revenue, long-term care not included anymore, outpatient and treatment rooms down, salaries below YTD, health insurance is self-funding, overall she is happy with margin YTD, long term bonds decreasing, one will hit 5 years in November and will look at refinancing, work on budget begins in April and May, FY begins July 1. Glaubke noted the article in the Quiz regarding closing the North Loup Clinic as of March 28 and the omission of the heading identifying the Clinic, which was an error, a correction was posted on the website and on facebook and the ad will be republished with the correct heading; Nebr. Hospital Association certifies Board Members and our Board Members received prestigious award for their continuing education efforts over and above the requirements, other events include Gold Star Awards, National Doctors Day tomorrow, new Doctor to join staff in July or August, Congressman Smith stopped to visit facility, starting to plan for annual health fair in June, Dr. McGowan gave presentation on heart health which was well attended, Becky Ries has agreed to take over the Sterling Project for senior citizens, participated in the Big Give, planning for disaster drill for community in conjunction with Region 26, which includes computer viruses, they have 3 ipads that are not connected to the network that can be used to access the internet to provide information for providers without endangering the network, have tested for meaningful use phase two and everything has been accepted, donation from Clarence Davenport family provided some nice decorative items for the courtyard, focusing on Burwell and North Loup Clinics as 2 primary outreach clinics, Hospital Board meets the third Wednesday of the month, when asked by Sevenker if he received any calls regarding the closing of the North Loup Clinic, DeRiso said no, Sevenker asked Glaubke to verify that the North Loup Clinic had 50 some visits in a year's time, but there were only 7 patients to be notified of the closing, DeRiso noted there is no pharmacy in North Loup and the hospital does provide transportation to Ord.

Meeting recessed at 10:30 a.m. and reconvened at 10:45 a.m. with all members present.

Treasurer Suminski presented the Fund Balance Report, noting Planning & Zoning fees received from the Villages and TIF is completed for Grandview, so taxes will be collected and distributed; Pledge Security with First National Bank in and out; the Treasurer's Office will be open on Arbor Day from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., the employees will take a comp day. The following items regarding the tax sale were presented: the annual Certification closing the tax sale, list of taxes sold at tax sale, annual notice of delinquent taxes/assessments and a Resolution of Forclosures. Suminski noted that 45 certificates were sold and that private sales can still be made, sold \$80,398.78 which is a bit higher than usual, tax sale fees of \$900 were collected and a registration fee of \$25 per company. Nothing under \$400 sold; Misc. Receipts folder available for review. Resolution 16-04, directing the County Attorney to foreclose on delinquent real estate taxes, assessments, etc., was approved on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Suminski presented information on credit cards through local banks. Following discussion, it was decided to invite the banks to make a presentation on the credit cards they offer. Suminski will invite them to appear at the April 12 Board meeting at 10:30 a.m.

The Clerk noted that she failed to publish the public hearing for Planning and Zoning and asked the Board to approve rescheduling it. Cullers moved to advertise the public hearing for adoption of the new Planning & Zoning regs



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and Comprehensive Plan for 10:30 a.m. on April 26, 2016, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

The Board reviewed the letter and informative brochures received from Elizabeth Killinger regarding the trees on the Courthouse lawn. Sevenker said the NRD offers cost share on trees and mini grants may be available. Waldmann said Crystal Ramm, the Ord Learning Center Manager for CCC, has offered to purchase a tree for the Courthouse lawn through a CCC anniversary celebration program. The linden tree with ants and fungi is in bad shape and needs to come out. Baker moved to take out the linden tree that has carpenter ants, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Waldmann will contact NRD regarding getting a tree.

The Wozab distributions selected Monday night by the County Board sitting as the Wozab Advisory Board were reviewed. Cullers moved to approve the Wozab grant distributions as selected by the Advisory Board, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. Abstain due to absence from Advisory Board meeting: Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

Following discussion, Cetak moved and DeRiso seconded approval of signing the required documents for asset conversion from US Bank to Matrix, including the Trustee change re: HRA-US Bank Agreement of Resignation Letter, Letter to US Bank to Terminate Services, Admin. Services Agreement Amendment & Matrix Trust Co. Trust Agreement. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

County Attorney Hanson reported that he has new leases for Corey Schaaf, James Knapp and Seed Solutions in an effort to have all lease renewals on the same date. He also noted that Jury Trials are scheduled for May. The Board felt the farm leases should be bid in the fall.

Following review, Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$321,197.68 for March were approved on motion of Cetak, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers.

Chairman Sevenker received a lighting proposal from Jim Augustyn of Gene's Electric: \$1170 for the Boardroom, \$725 first floor lobby and \$12,000 for the District Courtroom, for a total of \$13,895. Sevenker said this was informational only. He will talk to Jim about rebates.

Cullers reported for Building and Grounds on historic pictures that Sandy Kruml printed on canvass attached to wooden frames. They are to be displayed in the lower lobby and perhaps throughout the Courthouse depending on available funding. Six pictures cost \$192.29. Cullers wants to pay Sandy \$72 for her work, for a total of \$264.29. The Board approved the pictures. Cullers asked for pictures from the Villages.

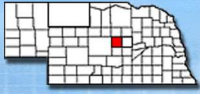
DeRiso spoke to the Governor on KRVN regarding state aid for schools. He said Ord will lose \$600,000.

Cullers attended the Central Nebr. Officials Assoc. meeting and heard Jerry Vap of Nebraska Public Service Commission discuss 911 taxes. Counties get the 911 tax on landlines, there are fewer landlines all the time. There are many more cell phones. These funds are tightly regulated. There is 16 million in the fund in Lincoln. They give a lot of grants. From 2012 to 2015 Veiro received 5 million 427 thousand, Century Link 2 million 181 thousand. She plans to suggest the 911 tax as a topic for the next NACO convention.

Mail Folder items: none.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m., to reconvene on April 12, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the March 29 meeting and an agenda for the April 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.

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, April 12, 2016 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 March 29, 2016 meeting were approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. Minutes of the March 28, 2016 Wozab Advisory Board meeting were approved on motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Abstain: Baker, unable to attend meeting. The Agenda for today's meeting was adopted on motion of Waldmann, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Chairman Sevenker noted the Open Meetings Act is posted and public copies are available. There was no public comment.

1969 Cat Motor Grader, Model 14E, Serial #1ZK1154 was advertised to sell through bidding process. One bid received. Road Supt. Meyer opened and read bid from Rich Ries in amount of \$4,500. Meyer was hoping for \$10,000, could trade it in for \$5000 on a new one. Following discussion, it was decided to put it on an on-line auction. VanSlyke moved to reject the \$4500 bid from Rich Ries, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer's General Report included: a laminated motor grader route sheets for each Supervisor, on the back the operators are identified, each operator was given the same sheet; some snow routes were changed for better efficiency and grader routes may be different; routes average 50-70 miles each; County has 425 miles of gravel, 100 miles of minimum maintenance and 50-60 miles of pavement. Worked on Round Barn Road last week, yesterday and today, should have 4 miles rebuilt by end of the day, hope to be done this week, disked shoulders and pulled them up, re-crowned, packed, and regraded; need moisture, running water truck now, up to Robertson's by end of the day, will continue on south, is working out good so will keep going; maintaining roads this week, hauling gravel, hired Ulrichs to haul gravel on Round Barn Road, doing ditch cleaning and culvert replacement; reclaimer should be here next week, plan to work shoulders on all roads with new machine, it will take a while, will take 2 weeks to do 6-7 miles; lay asphalt by first part of June, couple of bridge projects need to get done, hope retriever will help speed things up.

Meyer said grader blades purchased on last years' bid are warping after a half day's use, 1 to 1 ½ inch crown in blade; called salesman who called manufacturer, some miscommunication between them, emailed pictures, sent blade to Canada, salesman said no one is doing anything about it; turned over to County Attorney, company now wants to do something, they thought it was only 2 blades doing it, but it is all blades, they thought we were putting them on wrong, salesman says might credit back on new blades, Meyer has to send pictures; other counties have had problems too, vendor says can't do anything, not good business when \$16,000 was spent, won't do business with them anymore, not good customer service, 120 used grader blades and all are doing it, thinks maybe it is soft steel, wants money back, will buy Cat blades like we did before, these were cheaper and supposedly met specs, from Midwest Sales and Service out of Schuyler, have bought a lot of stuff from them in the past but not happy with customer service.

Cullers informed Meyers of a culvert coming straight up on the east side of 475 Road north of Chuck Wagoner, a reflector is there but broken off, road is caving off. Meyer will look at it.

Present for discussion of the work on 811th Road were Jeff Palik of Olssons, Gaylord Boilesen and Tom Kruml. Discussion included: RR crossing cost now at \$75,243.85, Vlach bid \$62,601.10, to be completed by May 1 which was accepted, as was Diamond Engineering's bid of \$187,892.25 on concrete; Olsson contract was \$23,600, Railroad application fee \$500; county has to pay \$1000 for Railroad insurance, contractor has to have his own liability insurance; Palik has agreed to do the grading at no cost to the county, there would be additional charges if County wants Olsson's to do any material inspection or observation on any parts of the project; VanSlyke has a total cost of \$350,800, Meyer thought the contractors could be trusted and construction observation or inspection would not be needed, he could oversee most of it; Palik estimated \$75 per concrete test, time and mileage, about \$500 per trip, Meyer felt it would be good insurance if there were any issues down the road; Boilesen and Kruml agreed with Sevenker that it was still important to Nebr. Distillers to have the road completed, still concerns with the rock issue and Sevenker noted his concern with the intersection and more and more truck traffic from the ethanol plant, this project might make it safer; Meyer said we have a set of drawings from the state and the County has a permit good for



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a year and can get an extension if needed, when the state comes back to do their project, they will blend into ours, Palik noted that plans for this project have been reviewed by the state; Sevenker said ED is still willing to contribute \$100,000 to the project and Boilesen and Nebr. Distillers is willing to contribute \$12,500 which would put the County closer to the original estimate; Sevenker noted the bids have already been accepted, DeRiso felt the County should have had the opportunity to get an estimate from a private contractor, not just have the Railroad do the work, Palik said they did not seek bids from private contractors as the bidding process would have cost the County \$30,000, after the last meeting, he did call 2 private contractors for a ballpark estimate, one did not return the call the other estimated \$74,000, but that does not include everything the Railroad does; Waldmann felt Olsson's should contribute something to the cost as their estimate for the RR crossing was 47' when it should have been 64', which made a significant difference in the cost, Palik said he ate the costs to rebid it; a motion was made by Cetak to move forward with the project as per the accepted bids and inform the Railroad to move forward, second Waldmann. VanSlyke said the zoning people indicated Nebr. Distillers agreed that the road was sufficient. Boilesen said they discussed the safety of the intersection. Meyer said Vlach is ready to go on soil compaction if the Board agrees. Sevenker called for the vote on the motion to move forward. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: VanSlyke. Absent: none. Palik will notify the Railroad. Meyer said the compacting testing is what is needed now, Vlach is ready to order culverts, 3 days to move in dirt, he has extra help so should go pretty fast, Meyer asked him to wait until after April 12, within next 10 days he should be moving dirt. Palik will send a unit rate sheet for the cost of testing, trip charges, mileage rate, scope estimate, number of trips and cost not to exceed, could say \$5000 for dirt; the Clerk will email the amount once Palik gives it to Meyer. Waldmann moved to hire Olsson's to do the density testing, not to exceed \$5000, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Railroad wants crossing before concrete, dirt can go before or after. Meyer will make sure it is done in the correct order.

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

Trevor Lee, Economic Development/Ord Area Chamber Executive Director, presented updated 5 year agreement between County, City, Chamber, GLVA. County, City, and Chamber continue to pay \$20,000 per year in support of ED, GLVA provides office space, utilities, and office expenses \$10,000 per year. Cullers moved to approve said updated, 5 year Interlocal Cooperation Act Agreement, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: Baker. Absent: none.

Credit Card presentations were made by Carla Ritterbush of Pathway Bank and Catina Psota, Andy Brown and Rocky Hughes of Great Western Bank. Following the presentations, it was noted that Great Western Bank offers a Visa card, in-house assistance, and will waive the annual fees for a rewards card. Cullers moved to go forward and purchase credit cards from Great Western Bank, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. Supervisor Cullers and Treasurer Suminski will meet to determine the limit for each official.

Treasurer Suminski presented the Month End Fund Balance Report, noting General Fund \$175,354.88, the Road is at \$175,354.88 due to the highway and bridge buyback funds, Relief \$35,378.89, Inheritance \$1,263,702.29, Bond \$103,735.55. Receipts for the month totaled \$970,000. Suminski then presented a letter from Terry Jessen of Scottsbluff who purchased a tax sale property and went through the foreclosure process on it, but did not keep up the taxes. He is now offering to quit claim the property to the County to avoid the foreclosure. The property is in North Loup, so Suminski contacted North Loup Village Clerk, Carrie Hansen, to see if they are interested in acquiring the property. It was decided to wait and see if North Loup wants the property before replying to Mr. Jessen's letter.

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

Clerk noted first May Board meeting is the 10th, which is Primary Election Day and Jury Trials were scheduled that week. Only one jury trial remains on the schedule, so she is not requesting the meeting date be changed. Clerk Lindsey or Deputy Clerk Musil, will take minutes for the May 10th Board meeting.

County Attorney Hanson reported none of 11 jury trials scheduled for May 9th, remain scheduled for that day, some were moved to September.

Claims and Fund Request of \$27,080.06 approved on motion of DeRiso, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

NIRMA/NIRMA II Membership Survey reviewed and completed by Board members.



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Jail Standards Inspection Report provided to each Board member and letter accompanying the Report stated “facility was determined to be in full compliance with the Standards at the time of the inspection”.

Jay Meyer told Sevenker he is Region 26 representative for the Cities and Villages and, at the last Region 26 meeting Roger Goldfish had contacted him and asked for a quote for dispatching for the City of Ord. Sevenker said there is a difference of opinion between the Chief of Police and the Sheriff regarding the dispatching service provided by the County. The current Interlocal Agreement between the County and the City of Ord is at \$13,000 as of last October, with a 4% increase each year. The County provides dispatching services for the City evenings, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The Agreement also calls for a Communications Oversight Committee consisting of Valley County Sheriff, Ord Police Chief, 2 representatives from this Board and 2 from the City Council, the Emergency Management Director and a member-at-large to be appointed by a majority of the Committee and to meet and report annually to the City and County, but this was not done. The Agreement was dated 2012. VanSlyke said Region 26 Director, Alma Beland, is going to figure out what it would cost for Region 26 to provide dispatching services for the City of Ord. The current agreement with the County requires 6 month notice to terminate it. The Board will wait until the City receives the quote from Region 26 and then set up a meeting with the City to work out any differences.

Cullers noted she has pictures from Elyria now and asked if there are more to be had from Arcadia. VanSlyke will check into it. She asked the Board what the budget limit is for the pictures, which are to be on display in the Courthouse. The pictures already printed and put on canvass by Sandy Kruml cost \$44 each. No consensus was reached on an amount for the pictures.

Cullers reported that Nebr. Community Foundation records show that \$638,917.69 has been distributed from the Wozab Grant Fund.

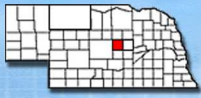
The Board adjourned to the jail for the quarterly inspection.

Mail Folder items available for review: none.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m., to reconvene on April 26, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the April 12 meeting and an agenda for the April 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.

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, November 29, 2016 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Roll call: Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; Baker absent. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. Minutes of November 8, 2016 meeting, included in Board packets, were approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. Absent: Baker. No: none. Cullers moved to adopt the agenda, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker. Baker arrived as 9:05 a.m. 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 \$179,060.92, a transfer of \$97,031.38 and receipt of \$64,902.62 in Hwy Allocation. Gravel budget has \$154,252.48 remaining.

On recommendation of Road Supt. Meyer, Easements 16-405, 16-406, and 16-407 were approved for Loup Valleys Rural Public Power. Will bore under the Comstock road. VanSlyke moved to approve Easements 16-405, 16-406 and 16-407, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

The 811th Road Project was discussed. Meyer said that neither he nor Olsson's had heard anything about the draft agreement from the railroad.

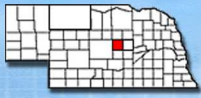
The Nebraska Department of Roads Certification of County Highway Superintendent was discussed, one factor to determine 2016 Incentive Funds whether the County has appointed a licensed superintendent for 12 months. Baker moved to authorize Sevenker to sign the Certification of County Highway Superintendent certifying that Jay Meyer has been appointed, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Signing of the HRRR Project Program Agreement was discussed, County will receive 19 Advance Railroad Warning Sign packages consisting of signs and posts that County will put up on County property at no cost to the County, 3 years to close project. Cullers moved to sign the Signing of the HRRR Project Program Agreement Resolution #16-20, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Bridge 11720P on minimum maintenance road was discussed, Federal Highway Inspector inspected bridge without informing Meyer, contacted Meyer to say bridge needed to be closed immediately, found tractor tracks on bridge after farmer said that no tractors cross the bridge, Meyer closed bridge. Federal inspector cannot close bridge, County did not receive copy of Critical Findings Report as required. Bridge seldom used, can hold weight of tractor, weight limit signs are posted. Meyer inspected bridge in July, no funding to repair, wants to close road. Board will rely on Meyer's knowledge.

Cetak asked if washboards on roads improved after moisture. Meyer said yes. Meyer's General Report included: hauling gravel, maintaining roads, pushed snow drifts, working on snow plows, new tires on graders. Caterpillar will talk to Meyer about sending oil sample to lab when equipment ready for service, kit will be sent with supplies, on demand, do not need to keep filters on hand, 20% savings on filters. Will ask Knapp about County putting up snow fence on property by ethanol plant, all snow fence new.

Hospital CEO Nancy Glaubke and CFO Ashley Woodward presented their monthly report: Glaubke noted that the hospital sponsored a Veteran's Breakfast, Love Lights ceremony on December 1 with donations going to Make Christmas Happen, will use same employee survey as used earlier in year to compare answers, in top 25% for patient accountability and financial issues. Ashley Woodward, CFO provided a copy and summary of the audit to the Board members; cash & investments of \$13.2M in 2016 compared to \$10.7M in 2015, capital assets decreased \$1.2M, net position increased \$1.6M, total operating revenue decreased \$2.1M or 8%, total operating expenses decreased \$2.3M or 9.3%. Woodward presented monthly report for October, operating room up, ENT down, radiology up and outpatient clinic down, gross patient services revenue up. The license renewal application required by HHS for the Home Health Agency was signed by Chairman Sevenker on motion of approval by Cetak, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.



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The damaged fence on the NE side of the Courthouse was discussed: Carl Buller from Buller Designsapes present two estimates; 5' vinyl fence at \$5,331.75 with \$183.00 upcharge for "khaki" color and cedar picket fence at \$5,710.64. Khaki color will blend better with Courthouse. Fence will be a solid fence with two 5' gates and posts set in concrete. Discount from supplier was passed on to County. Cetak made motion to purchase 5' vinyl fence with khaki upcharge, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Advance notice of installation and Road Department will remove old fence and reuse around shops. Cost to county will be \$2,000 after NIRMA takes off \$1,000 deductible and \$1,000 upgrade.

Meeting recessed at 10:35 a.m. and reconvened at 10:40 a.m. with all members present.

Miranda from Healing Hearts & Families reported on counseling and education offered to first time offender ages 11-20 referred by the County Attorney in 6 counties, puts responsibility on client for community service, showing up for meetings, writing letter of apology and classes. County Attorney Hansen stated it is a divergent program so there will be no criminal record, if do not finish program criminal charges are filed. Waldmann made motion to authorize Chairman to sign Memorandum of Understanding for 2017 Community-Based Juvenile Services Aid, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

Don Workman from Maximus outlined services provided to identify indirect costs for time spent on Title IV-D Child Support Enforcement work; including depreciation, budget and audit costs, liability and worker's comp insurance, costs of preparing and processing claims, benefit administration, etc. In the past County could recover indirect costs associated with County having a NDHHS office. Spring 2016 State announced they would no longer pay these costs due to new interpretation of State Statute, Legislature would have to change law to reinstate payments.

Cody Sitz advised the Board he is trying to sell his building at the Mortensen site by private sale. Chairman Sevenker and County Attorney Hansen reviewed the Ground Lease, would be assignment and not sale, purchaser and assignee would need to meet with Board to insure purchaser meets the requirements of 99 year lease taking into consideration nature of business, number of employees and value of taxable property, County must consent to assignment.

At 11:25 a.m., the Board of Equalization convened on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Application for Exemption from Motor Vehicle Taxes by Qualifying Nonprofit Organizations for Heartland Assembly of God church for a passenger van was reviewed. Approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. The Board moved out of Board of Equalization at 11:30 a.m. on motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Dustin Will and Dan Duren of Benefit Management were present to discuss the County's options for health insurance. Quotes from Blue Cross Blue Shield were presented, recommend BCBS MO 58 with deductible \$3500 for single and \$7000 for family, County would buy down deductible to single \$3000 and family \$6000, would offer one plan, continue HRA. 6% increase in premium. Compensation for Benefit Management for services built into rates, no separate fee. Effective January 1, pay Coventry increase in December. Road Superintendent Meyer presented problems road employees having with claims to HRA, no internet, slow compensation. Meetings with employees, officials and former employees with balances in HRA to explain and hopefully streamline process. VanSlyke made motion to approve BCBS MO 58 health plan, Cullers second. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

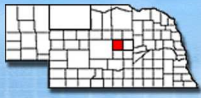
The County Clerk and Clerk of the District Court monthly reports for October were reviewed.

County Attorney Hansen reported injunction in 10th Circuit Court of Appeals in Texas on implication of Overtime Final Rule.

County Government Day will be December 5th, Arcadia and Ord schools participate. Chairman Sevenker will welcome students.

Concern expressed that there is no access to 2nd cemetery in Vinton, Attorney Hansen will find out if the County needs to provide a road.

The Claims and Fund Request information was reviewed. Cullers moved to approve the November Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$471,678.68, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Cullers made motion to approve Resolution #16-19 to transfer



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\$38,103.42 from the Inheritance Tax Fund to the General Fund, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Waldmann made motion to designate the Ord Quiz and Grand Island Independent as official County newspapers for 2017, DeRiso second. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Reviewed NPDES General Permits for Operations Confining Cattle for Hackel Cattle, Jackson Feedlot, Novak Feedlot.

Kathy Sweeney, Valley County Court Clerk Magistrate will swear in newly elected officials, County Clerk and Deputy County Clerk on December 1.

Valley County Veteran's Service Officer Report was reviewed. Check book will be audited every 3 months.

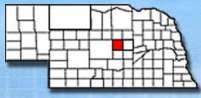
Baker will report on locks for Courthouse next month. Sevenker will talk to custodian Danny Vanek about putting greenery in planters.

Mail Folder: Berggren Architects invitations to luncheon at NACO Convention were passed out, American Funds Annual Report available for review.

Meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m., to reconvene on December 13, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the November 29 meeting and an agenda for the December 13 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the County website www.co.valley.ne.us.

I, the undersigned County Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the County Board, that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that said minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

Paula Musil, Deputy Valley County Clerk



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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, December 13, 2016 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 moved to approve minutes of November 28, included in Board packets, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Waldmann moved to adopt the agenda, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies available. There was no public comment.

Road Supt. Meyer was not present. Concerning the 811th Road project, Chairman Sevenker reported that Road Supt Meyer said he is still waiting for an agreement from the railroad, it should be ready by the end of December. VanSlyke reported that the tiller was used in Arcadia area, pulled gravel and grass on side of road into road, wind blew grass away, moved a lot of gravel back onto the road, removed the ridge on the side so the road will drain.

Treasurer Suminski passed around a sympathy card to be signed for Larry Dix, executive director of NACO on the passing of his wife. Suminski presented the Month End Fund Report: General Fund balance \$10,389.43, Road \$170,634.73, Relief \$51,168.11, Inheritance \$1,057,484.18, total collected \$380,600. \$14,563.00 paid to schools from court fines, paid twice a year. Resolution 16-22, designating depositories the County Treasurer may use, was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. Last year invested \$300,000 with Pathway at 1.2%, put out for bids, Great Western will take \$250,000 at 1.25%, very good rate. Levy comparison, most things down except North Loup City and Central Valley School. The Misc. Receipts Folder is available for review.

No report from County Attorney as he was in Valley County District Court.

County received \$4,000 from NIRMA to settle claim on damaged fence at NE corner of Courthouse. Installation of the fence has started, will be finished by weekend, propane tank had to be moved, gas line broken, repaired by Wadas. When old fence removed the old posts were cut off at the ground, may interfere with installation of new fence, will offer more compensation if there is a problem.

Supervisor Baker reported on locks for the Courthouse, locksmith has everything worked out as to what locks go where, will call again Monday.

Cullers reported on meetings with insurance reps from Benefit Management. Road Supt. Meyer was happy with presentation at Roads Department, hands on demonstration, explained what to do. HRA funded by County, people on Medicare receive a fringe benefit in lieu of money placed in HRA, present funds in HRA can be used until gone. Board is happy with services provided by Benefit Management.

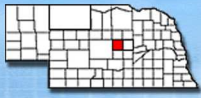
The Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$72,534.03 were approved on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Bond payment of \$47,486.25 will be made on December 15. Resolution #16-21 transferring \$38,103.42 from the General Fund to the Inheritance Tax Fund to reimburse the Inheritance Tax Fund for funds not needed to meet November General Fund expenditures was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

The North Loup River Public Power & Irrigation District Privacy Information Data Release request for permission to copy FSA aerial photo records for County farms was reviewed. NLRPP & I Dist needs to provide the NE Dept. of Natural Resources with an accurate map of where the District's water is being utilized, FSA maps seem to be most consistently maintained maps providing aerial photos and number of acres in production for each field. Approval to sign release was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Request from Kayla Hinrichs, Extension Educator, to reappointment Dr. Randy Grint for an additional 3 year term on Central IV Area Extension Board was reviewed. Motion to approve the reappointment by Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

The list of 2017 State and Federal Holidays observed by the County was approved on motion of Waldmann, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

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



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Discussion was held on having a steak fry at an outdoor location later in the year for the County recognition dinner, tabled until February 14 meeting.

Custodian Danny Vanek reported on adding 3 electrical outlets to the Probation Office for use by the new drug tester. Two bids were received, Gene's Electric \$510 and Aaron Cargill \$703.42. Will check with Marisch Electric in Scotia, if they do not present a bid will go with Gene's Electric. County is required to offer office space to the Probation Office.

The first item for the Committee Reports was a Building & Grounds report by Custodian Vanek. There have been many issues with the heating system on the 3rd floor. Courtroom was very cold for December 7 District Court., two heaters running in the Courtroom at night to warm up Courtroom for District Court on December 13, cannot heat third floor when temperature is below 30 degrees. The County Attorney's office has been cold, jail also cold at night. Wadas was here twice to try and fix, cannot contact Mechanical Sales in Lincoln, Sevenker will call again, will contact others that have the same system if Mechanical Sales will not come here. Cullers will check with Edghill's about purchasing Sun heaters and contact Kylie White about heat shield for east door. Cullers and Vanek also addressed issue of some of the old County pictures displayed in the Courthouse falling. Baker suggested drilling a small hole and using heavy sewing needles to hang the pictures, makes a small hole. Would like to replace the Alan Dale Insurance clock in the lobby with the Wozab clock in the road office that is not used, will contact Sherry Anderson to see if she wants the Alan Dale clock or if she wants it hung somewhere in the Courthouse. Kyle Campise contacted the County about hanging a painting in the Courthouse Lobby, will ask him to attend the next Board meeting with a picture of the painting.

There were no items for the Board of Equalization.

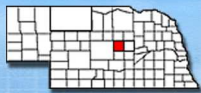
The Board discussed the property schedules for Building & Contents, Inland Marine and Auto Fleet that have been reviewed for accuracy by all the County department heads to start the 2017 annual insurance renewal process, needed changes have been made. A claim has been filed with the Auto Fleet insurance after the County Ambulance hit a deer on the way to the hospital in Kearney, County has \$500 deductible.

Mail Folder items were available for review.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m., to reconvene on December 27, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the December 13, 2016 meeting and an agenda for the December 27, 2016 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the County website 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 on Tuesday, December 27, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; absent, Baker. Clerk verified meeting notice published; agenda posted. Minutes of December 13, 2016 approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Baker. Cullers moved to adopt the agenda, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Baker. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies on counter. No public comment offered.

In absence of Road Secretary Simpson, Road Supt. Meyer reported the December Road Claims: payroll \$41,969.98, vendor \$45,528.30, December allocation \$63,319.17. \$18,500 left in parts budget, little low. Gravel claim \$21,122.84, stockpiling gravel due to planned replacement of bridge that will slow up traffic with stoplights by Coop.

Still waiting for agreement from the railroad for 811th Road project. Meyer's General Report included: maintaining roads, hauling millings from Ericson, conducting required Dept. of Transportation inspections on vehicles, will cut trees after first of year. Starting inspection of County's 1,600 to 1,700 road signs; takes 2 people 1 ½ months; signs last 10 years; buy sheeting to place on metal signs, cuts cost in half. Will need to budget to replace fading 911 signs, lose reflectivity at night. Need to contract fuel; work on 1-6 year plans and set hearing date. Checking for tree and sign damage from high wind.

The County Clerk and Clerk of the District Court fee reports for November were reviewed. VanSlyke had questions about how court appointed attorney fees are handled; attorney has to submit itemized statement of services, the judge holds hearing on claim, decides whether to approve claim.

Annual Report of County Officers Signatures and Seals was tabled until the first meeting in January after the election of 2017 Board Chairman and Vice Chairman.

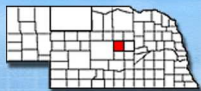
Reviewed the Claims and Balances Report, County paid to house prisoners for other counties; discussed Berggren Architects claim, submitting drawings for jail remodel to the fire marshall. Clerk Musil explained that Court Reporter Kim Stefka was paid for preparing the Bill of Exceptions requested by John Oldson for appeal to NE Supreme Court because Oldson is *in forma pauperis*.

County Attorney Hansen reported that there will be a Jury Trial January 9, 2017, set for five days could be done in four, will be witness fees. The County does not have to provide a road for access to the abandoned cemetery in Vinton, owner cannot deny pedestrian access on Memorial Day or from November 1st to March 1st, County has to maintain. Baker arrived at 9:50 a.m. Sevenker and Clerk will compose letter to landowner to discuss access for maintenance after Sevenker looks at the cemetery. Baker will talk to Kathy Knapp for input, she has family buried there.

Hospital CEO Nancy Glaubke presented the Hospital Report in absence of CFO Ashley Woodward. The report included: operating room is busy; physical therapy and medical clinic visits are up; cash balance is good, will decrease next month due to closing on the Burwell Clinic building and bond payment made; only a few slots open on Monday for providers in the out-patient clinic, Dr. McClanahan is doing some scopes when providers are not available; knee replacements are going well because rehab is available; and 275 people attended the Christmas Party.

Meeting recessed at 10:20 a.m., reconvened at 10:25 a.m. with all members present.

Weed Supt. Darrell Kaminski presented the 2017 Weed Control Plan for review of the Board. He will present all reports at January 10, 2017 Board meeting for approval. He will be monitoring Davis Creek Reservoir for purple loosestrife.



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Chairman Sevenker contacted Mechanical Sales concerning problems with the heating system, can be here on January 3-4, charge \$124/hour and mileage is \$1.20/mile. On third floor heating system goes to standby and blows cold air, heat needed for January 9th Jury Trial. Baker moved and VanSlyke seconded the motion to sign Customer Acceptance for Mechanical Sales to come to Courthouse on January 3, 2017. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Purchase of three Sun Heaters from Edghill's for \$279 each was approved on motion of Waldmann, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, Cetak, Sevenker. No: DeRiso, wants to wait until after Mechanical Sales visit. Absent: none. Rep from Marvin windows will be here the week of December 27-30 to check the windows.

Kyle Campise was not available because of an emergency to show painting that the Ministerial Association would like to hang in the Courthouse, will attend the Board meeting on January 10.

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

Motor Vehicle Exemption Applications were presented for Mid-Nebraska Individual Services, Bethel Baptist Church, Lee Part Cemetery, Ord Assembly of God Church and Loup Basin RC&D. Following review of the applications, Baker moved to approve Motor Vehicle Exemption Applications for above named organizations, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

The Board moved back into regular session at 11:10 a.m. on motion of VanSlyke, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

Further review of the Claims and Balances Report showed that a detailed itemized statement is attached to the claim for weed mileage reimbursement. The December Claims and Fund Requests in the amount of \$263,903.60 were approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

During the Annual Conference Report, Treasurer Suminski joined the discussion of the County credit card. The County needs a credit card policy; two people should review the credit card claims besides the department head presenting the claim, claims are reviewed by department head, Clerk's office and Board; every claim needs itemized statement. Suminski will send out an email asking each department head what their credit card policy is, County will develop a credit card policy. Membership in National NACO at \$450/year was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

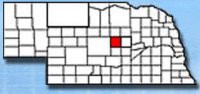
Election of Board officers will be at January 10, 2017 meeting, Clerk will research whether present Board Chairman or Clerk should conduct.

Chairman Sevenker signed the Local Disaster Declaration for the grass fire on December 21 as requested by Region 26 so state or federal assistance can be requested after discussion with Region 26 Board Rep VanSlyke.

Committee/Representative Reports: Baker will report on locks after the first of the year; VanSlyke reported Region 26 will purchase new equipment. New fence on northeast corner of the Courthouse held up well with the high winds as did the planters in front of the Courthouse.

Mail folder items: NACO Newsletter, NE FSA News, Legion Post 38 thank you.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m., to reconvene January 10, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session. Complete minutes of the December 27 meeting and an agenda for the January 10 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.



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