



# Valley County Board Minutes



## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 8, 2019 in the Courthouse Boardroom, Supervisor Sevenker acting Chairman. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Sevenker asked the County Clerk to take roll call: Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; absent Baker. County Clerk presided over annual organizational duties calling for nominations for Chairperson and Vice Chairperson: VanSlyke nominated Sevenker for Board Chairperson and Cullers for Vice Chairperson and moved nominations cease, second DeRiso. Baker arrived at 9:02 a.m. Board members feel that Sevenker and Cullers are doing a good job, appreciate what they do, willing to put in time and accept responsibility. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. DeRiso moved to approve minutes of December 26, 2018, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. Agenda adopted on motion of Cullers, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. Chairman Sevenker noted Open Meetings act posted on west wall, public copies available. There was no public comment.

Resolution 19-01, authorizing the County Highway Dept. to erect and maintain signs designating restrictions to County Highways when necessary was approved on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Information from Ace and Black Hills concerning the 2019 Choice gas selection was reviewed, can lock in present rate or wait until the selection period April 12-25, service for old road department shop, Ace included rates, need to call for Black Hills rates. VanSlyke moved to lock in the 3-year fixed rate of \$0.612 per therm offered by Ace, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Road Supt. Meyer's General Report included: pushed snow; still receiving request to open minimum maintenance roads; will maintain roads, some roads soft; snow blower worked great, hour of time using blower equal to 3 hours using blade; will start sign inventory; bridge match recipients announced January 11; will price fuel for contract while low; Jake Brake signs should arrive in a month.

Weed Supt. Kaminski presented and reviewed the 2018 Year End Reports and the 2019 Noxious Weed Plan; lowered acres of leafy spurge and musk thistle; 4 open files are justified, after 3 years of spraying the others should be closed. Baker moved to approve the 2018 Infestation Report and Activity Report, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. The 2019 Board Roster, Budget Form and Noxious Weed Control Plan were approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

The County Clerk and Clerk of District Court monthly fee reports for December were reviewed. The Clerk reported that a transfer from the Inheritance Fund to the General Fund was not necessary in December.

The meeting recessed at 9:50 a.m. and reconvened at 9:55 a.m. with all members present.

County Attorney Clark reported that she will send a stipulation to the Court of Appeals so Brandon Hanson can continue the inheritance tax appeal for the County. Clark stated that it is not necessary to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues, by statute Nebraska is an at will state but courts have determined that there has to be a cause, incidents should be documented. She signed an authorization for cremation of a County resident; no family could be located; County pays up to \$1,800 for burial, HHS pays rest; will look into whether County can be reimbursed from the estate for expenses.

Treasurer Janet Suminski presented the Fund Balance Report for December, noting \$153,239.70 General, \$316,765.36 Road, \$270,005.62 Inheritance, \$100,886.08 Debt Service (bonds), \$2,292.000 total collected. The Semi-Annual Fund Balance report was reviewed and will be published as required.

After reviewing a memo to be sent to all County officials and department heads requesting that spending be limited to salaries and very necessary expenses until County finances have improved, Baker moved that the Board sign the memo, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.



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The Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$27,602.49 were approved on motion of Cullers, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Cetak moved that the 2019 Board committees and representatives appointments remain the same as 2018, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker will sign the Memorandum of Appointment for the County Physician. Waldmann moved to make the County Website, [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us), an official means of publication for meeting notices, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. The Annual County Officers Signatures and Seals Report was not received.

Committee Reports: Sevenker reported that 3 young men cleaned the sidewalks at the Courthouse while Custodian Vanek was gone.

The meeting was recessed at 10:50 a.m. to conduct the quarterly jail inspection and reconvened at 11:10 a.m. with all members present.

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

Deputy Assessor Arnold presented Tax List Correction 3849 for Dishnet Satellite Broadband, the valuation was not entered correctly, should have personal property exemption making the tax due \$0.00. Correction approved on motion of Baker, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

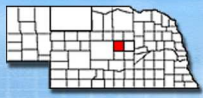
The Board moved back into regular session at 11:12 a.m. on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

At 11:15 the meeting adjourned to reconvene on January 29, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the January 8 meeting and an agenda for the January 29 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes are also available on the County website, [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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Road Secretary Simpson reviewed January road claims including: diesel, loader and grader payments, oil, parts, gravel, black top repair, accounts payable \$144,656.18, payroll \$48,707.38, received highway allocation of \$67,640.73, motor vehicle fees of \$14,582.63. If the Roads Department sells anything, the income goes in the Road Fund.

VanSlyke moved to set February 26, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. to review the 1 & 6 Year Road Plans, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer's General Report included: sold grader blades, repaired trailer, sign inventory in progress, fixing damaged signs, refacing 911 signs, salted roads, pushed snow. The County received \$200,000 from the Bridge Match program for 4 projects, buyback funds will be used to pay remainder of cost, 3 years to complete projects, bids will be taken.

Kristina Foth presented the bi-annual Valley County Tourism report: Agri/Eco Tourism Conference will be in Ord February 26-28, bring 150 guests to community, tours, presentations, local vendors; over 6,700 travel guides distributed; lodging tax increased 21.1%; 194 requests for travel information, will make the electronic version available. The Valley County Tourism Committee would like to acquire a list of licensed lodging facilities to communicate the impact they make with the lodging tax program, written request must be submitted by the County Supervisors. Cullers moved to sign the requested letter, second DeRiso. Carried: Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: Baker. Absent: none.

The renewal licensures for VCHS Home Health and Valley County Hospital at Home Professional Care were signed on a motion by Waldmann, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Hospital CEO Nancy Glaubke presented the Hospital Report: Gala successful; sale of the nursing home is being reviewed by the attorney for Randy Kozeal, would like to close on March 1; all members of the Board of Trustees have completed the certification process, one of 17 hospitals to have all members certified; Carol Schroeder received the Hulda Osborn award from the NE Home Care Association (NHCA), only person receiving award in the state. CFO Ashley Woodward presented the monthly financials: ER down; lab down, lab gross up \$200,000, difference in type of tests; radiology up; nuclear medicine down; Home Health will receive 4% rate change, will help pay for drive time to areas that no longer have services; gross patient revenue down, benefits up, no benefit in refinancing bonds at this time, bond payment made in December.

County Attorney Clark reported she attended the new attorney training, will attend child support training in April, will look into receiving Federal funds for good child support performance, will appoint Attorney Hanson to continue the inheritance tax case through the court system.

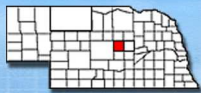
Derrick Gonzalez and James Bethel appeared to seek a compensation plan for unlawful imprisonment for 18 days Gonzalez was in jail before taking case to Federal Court which could take 10 years, all charges have been dropped, law enforcement does not receive proper training, funds are available that could eliminate property taxes, banks use private money to create loans.

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

The report from Veterans Service Officer Walt Smith was reviewed, 391 Veterans came into office for help, computer program Vetraspec helpful.

The Mechanical Sales Preventative Maintenance Agreement cost \$6,312 and saved the County \$5,412.76, provides 2 maintenance checks per year, 10% reduction on parts; system installed in 2005, life span of 15 years; check with headquarters for other service providers. **Corrected at 2-12-19 meeting: installation of the heating and cooling system in the Courthouse was finished in 2007.**

VanSlyke left the meeting at 11:05 a.m.



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At 11:05 a.m. the Board of Equalization was convened on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. The Assessor and Clerk were present. Assessor Waltman presented a Tax Exemption Application on Real and Personal Property for Heartland Youth Ranch, requesting exemption for donated storage shed. Approved on motion of Waldmann, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. The Board moved back into regular session at 11:07 a.m. on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

January Claims and Fund Request were reviewed. Treasurer Suminski joined the discussion, funds are available for January, will have to register claims by time and date received if funds are not available, Board establishes interest rate for unpaid claims, will receive taxes in April. The Fund Request was approved in the amount of \$505,937.07, on motion of Cullers, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. No action was taken on Resolution 19-2 allowing the Co. Treasurer and Co. Clerk to transfer funds from the Inheritance Tax Fund to the General Fund if insufficient collections are made in January.

Wozab Fund Applications will be accepted from February 11 through March 15. The Annual Signatures and Seals Report was signed. Expenses for 2 burials were paid by the County, will ask the County Attorney to review the burial policy, contact other counties to see how much is paid for burial costs, will ask Kara Fischer with Ord Memorial Chapel to address the Board about costs. The 2020 NIRMA Underwriting Questionnaire was reviewed. Financial Interest Forms are due March 1. Pre-registration is open for the NACO Central District Meeting March 21 in Aurora. Jail Standards will inspect the jail on February 27. Berggren Architects has presented a claim for \$7,304.73 to pay Masonry Construction for retainage held for masonry restoration of the Courthouse, funds are not available to continue the restoration.

Cullers asked if scholarships will be awarded from the Wozab Fund, will not offer scholarships. Cullers also reported for Region 3; \$13,885,000 was expended in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, 3,024 individuals were served, 31.5% decrease in mental health commitments, 327 youth served through Mid Plains, 240 Veterans served.

At 11:40 a.m. Waldmann moved to go into closed session to discuss a threat of litigation for the protection of the public interest, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. The closed session concluded at 12:05 p.m. No action was taken.

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m., to reconvene on February 12, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the January 29, 2019 meeting and an agenda for the February 12, 2019 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes are also available on the County Website, [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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Road Supt. Meyer stated that he does not know if DOT provides posts and hardware to install the Jake Brake signs, County has posts and hardware if needed, will contact the local DOT office. The Board decided to post signs east and west of Curt Schauer's driveway, by Ron Rogers's residence and on the Ashton Road, cannot install in frozen ground. The cost of the signs will be paid through the General Fund. Meyer's presented the agreement for the County Bridge Match Program, the State will contribute not more than \$200,000 for 4 bridge projects to be completed by December 31, 2021. Resolution 19-03, authorizing the Signing of the Project Program Agreement was approved on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer's General Report included: enough in Road Fund to pay bills in February without a transfer from the General Fund; will receive an incentive payment of \$9,000; salted roads; sign inventory complete; refacing faded 911 signs; hope to start bridge projects by May 1; working on tree saw and broom in the shop, \$10,000 to \$15,000 saved by doing repairs in house.

Alma Beland, director of the Region 26 Council and Scott Philbrick, County Emergency Manager Co-Coordinator presented the draft of the Valley County Local Emergency Operations Plan (LEOP), revised every 5 years, all information concerning resources available for use during a disaster was updated. Baker moved to sign Resolution 19-2 approving the LEOP, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Free cyber security training sponsored by Emergency Management will be offered February 25 at Trotter Event Center.

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

Treasurer Suminski presented the Fund Balance Report for January, \$23,973.43 General, \$331,127.33 Road, \$308,052.74 Inheritance, \$105,934.40 Debt Serv. (bonds), \$118,775.19 State reimbursement to County for Personal and Real Estate Tax Credits. Suminski will personally pay the pre-registration fee for the NACO Central District Meeting and present a claim to the County at a later date. The Tax Levy Pie Charts and the Delinquent Tax List were reviewed, delinquent list will be published for 3 weeks as required, the tax sale will be March 4.

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

Co. Atty. Clark is involved in a trial in Custer County so was not present for the Board meeting.

The date for the Board to meet as the Wozab Fund Advisory Committee was set for March 25 at 7:00 p.m., the fund has \$34,287.40 available to grant.

The Valley County Burial Policy and responses of other Counties to a survey of burial policies was discussed, would like to change policy to pay for cremation only and eliminate the reference to the State Anatomical Board, will ask the County Attorney to review and discuss further at the next Board meeting.

The Mechanical Sales Preventative Maintenance Agreement will not be renewed at this time. Board members were reminded of the Central District meeting for County Officials in Aurora on March 21.

Following review, the Fund Request and Claims in the amount of \$27,602.49 were approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

The Public Defender contract expiring on April 1, 2019 will be reviewed by the County Attorney and discussed at the next Board meeting. Waldmann made the motion to allow the Big Give to post a sign on the Courthouse lawn, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.



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Cullers reported that the Wozab Fund financial statement showed a loss of \$41,861.26.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m., to reconvene on February 26, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the February 12 meeting and an agenda for the February 26 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes are also available on the County website, [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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Road Supt. Meyer's General Report included: pushed snow; salt is holding up, no applications for motor grader operator; signed proposal for Bridge Match Program was returned, engineer will be sending plans for bridge replacement to State for approval; patching holes; cannot cut trees April 1 to July 15 because of migrating birds. VanSlyke said he received a complaint on how the Roads Dept. is maintaining and opening the minimum maintenance roads, Meyer said the landowner that complained lashed out at the motor grader operator, should talk to Meyer instead, reason the last operator quit and why there are no applications, no money in budget, Sevenker said mail routes and bus routes should be priority, only 10 operators and 10 machines for 500 miles of roads, some owners push snow onto the road while cleaning out driveways, people are frustrated with weather, let the Supervisor for the area know if there is a problem and will contact the person.

Weed Supt. Kaminski could not be present for discussion on renewal of his contract and the annual resolution authorizing himself, the County Board and County Attorney to act as the Weed Control Authority. VanSlyke moved to approve the contract and Resolution 19-6, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

The County Clerk and Clerk of the District Court February Fee Reports were reviewed. The Clerk reported that a transfer from the Inheritance Fund to the General Fund was not necessary in February.

Sheriff Hurlburt reported that all Sheriff's vehicles will be required to have computers by January 1, 2020 to write tickets and run criminal history checks; Sheriff's vehicle is exempt; will cost \$5,000 per vehicle; applied for grant but did not receive, still in cycle to receive grant; may get an extension if write less than 300 tickets per year, County Attorney will look into using money in STOP program and for other available grants.

Rev. Stefanie Hayes from Ord United Methodist Church and Rev. Scott Hausrath from North Loup Seventh Day Baptist Church appeared to ask for the use of the Courthouse steps on May 2 at 5:15 p.m. for the World Day of Prayer service and blessing of government officials. Cullers moved to approve the request, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

Meeting recessed at 10:00 a.m. and reconvened at 10:08 a.m. with Cetak absent.

County Atty. Clark reported about the County Burial Policy; required to contact the State Anatomical Board if a body is not claimed, does not have to be in the policy; \$1,800 reasonable amount to pay for cremation; recommended additions to the policy, will only pay for pauper burial, will not supplement other burials, cremation only if it does not violate religious beliefs; will contact local funeral home. DeRiso asked who gets any property of the deceased, State gets property if there is no family, a property owner does not qualify for pauper burial. NIRMA recommended that the County does nothing about Derek Gonzalez's appearance before the Board, forward any claim to NIRMA for review. Clark will look into grants for law enforcement training. DeRiso asked what happens when child support is owed; handled by Child Support Enforcement Officer, driver's license can be taken, permits denied, take tax refund, file case in court, file a lien against property.

The following informational items were reviewed: Central District Meeting March 21 in Aurora, Wozab meeting 7:00 p.m. March 25 to review applications, NIRMA regional seminars to address effective personnel management and employment practices.

Appearing to discuss the Notice of Intent to Approve Application for Construction and Operating Permit for Shack Ranch by DEQ were Dale and Letitia Naprstek; Carol Miller; Kendall Bonenberger, consultant for Shack Ranch; Kelly Magiera; Sheri Goodrich and Kayla Clark; standard notification; Valley County Planning and Zoning application for permit was approved; 6,000 number in notice includes feedlot and backgrounding; if no crop is grown, feedlot will be shut down; DEQ monitors number of hours of pumping, have to report wind speeds, reviewed yearly, only pump when



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appropriate and necessary, someone there watching when pumping, violation of County regulations and DEQ if no one is there. Baker left at 10:50 a.m.

Following review, the Fund Request and Claims in the amount of \$31,150.29 were approved on motion of Cullers, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Cetak and Baker.

The resignation of Ardon W. McDermott from the Airport Authority Board due to health was reviewed. VanSlyke moved to approve the appointment of Luke Kovarik to replace McDermott on the Board, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Cetak and Baker.

Sevenker reported for the Building and Grounds Committee, Custodian Vanek will be gone for several days, snow may have to be moved. Bricks in sidewalks in front of Anderson Pharmacy will be replaced with concrete because brick is heaving, experiment to see if solution to problem. Treasurer Suminski will hang picture that belonged to Wozabs in her office.

Mail Folder item: NIRMA 2018 Annual Report.

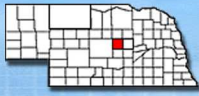
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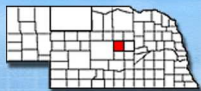


## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' AGENDA TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2019 - 9:00 A.M.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Verify Notice of Meeting
4. Act on Minutes of February 12, 2019 Meeting
5. Act on Agenda
6. Open Meetings Act Posted on West Wall of Boardroom, public copies available
7. Public Comment
8. Reports
  - A. Road – Jay Meyer, Supt.
    1. Sandy Simpson, Road Secretary - Road Claims & Balances
    2. **9:30 a.m. Public Hearing – One Year and Six Year Road Plans**
      - a. Review/Discuss/Public Input
      - b. Act on Plans
    3. General Report
  - B. Weed Supt. – Darrell Kaminski
    1. Spring Conference
  - C. Hospital Report
  - D. Sheriff - Casey Hurlburt
    1. Quarterly Report
  - E. County Attorney – Kayla Clark
    1. General Report
9. Old Business
  - A. NE Central District Meeting March 21, Aurora Leadership Center, Aurora
  - B. Burial Policy
  - C. Public Defender Contract – Expires April 1, 2019
  - D. Mechanical Sales – Preventative Maintenance Inspection
10. **11:00 a.m. BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**
  - A. Real & Personal Property Tax Exemption – Heartland Youth Ranch
  - B. Notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemption – Kenneth & Barbara Collins
11. New Business
  - A. Review/Act on Claims & Fund Request
    1. Act on Resolution #19-05 - Transfer funds from Inheritance to General if needed
  - B. Jared Reimers for Congressman Adrian Smith – Mobile Office Courthouse Lobby
  - C. Act on County Audit for FY 17-18
13. Committee Reports
14. Mail Folder: Central District Director Diana Hurlburt Letter
15. Next Regular Meeting on March 12, 2019
16. Adjourn

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BY: Paula Musil, County Clerk



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## MINUTES OF VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SITTING AS WOZAB FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Wozab Fund Advisory Committee met on Monday, March 25, 2019 at 7:05 p.m. in the Valley County Courthouse Boardroom to consider the Wozab Fund applications. Roll call: present Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann. Clerk verified publication of meeting notice and posting agenda. Agenda was adopted on motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted that the Open Meetings Act is posted and public copies available. No public comment offered.

Les Long of Nebraska Community Foundation reviewed all applications for compliance with IRS regulations and a spreadsheet with his comments was provided.

Each application was reviewed and discussed until an amount to be awarded was agreed on by all Board members. The Committee's recommendations will be acted on by the Valley County Board of Supervisors at their meeting on Tuesday, March 26, 2019.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m., to convene as the Valley County Board of Supervisors in regular session on March 26, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. and as Board of Equalization at 11:00 a.m. Complete minutes of the March 25 meeting and an agenda for the March 26 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes also available on County website, [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

I, the undersigned County Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the County Board sitting as the Wozab Fund Advisory Committee, 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 9, 2019 in the Courthouse Boardroom. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present. Clerk verified meeting notice was published and agenda posted. Minutes of the March 26, 2019 meeting and the minutes of the March 25, 2019 Wozab Advisory Board meeting were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. The Agenda for today's meeting was adopted on motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Chairman Sevenker noted the Open Meetings Act is posted and public copies are available. There was no public comment.

On recommendation of Road Superintendent Meyer, Cetak moved to approve Easements 19-427 for Mark Peterson and 19-428 for Agland Electric & Irrigation, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer's General Report included: attended NEMA/FEMA briefing; project manager will be assigned to case; will need to download photos and damages, \$3,200 threshold per site, project manager may or may not combine projects to reach threshold; some roads are federal aid routes, \$5,000 per site threshold, claims through DOT Highway Administration; permanent work categories have been added, includes bridges and roads; not a speedy process; minimum maintenance roads also need to be fixed.

Marc Munford from Ameritas presented preliminary information for highway allocation bonds, \$500,000 amount is just an estimate, normally 10 year financing, can do a 2-3 year call so can be paid if FEMA money is received, investors want a higher interest rate for a shorter term, half cent added to levy; can pass a reimbursement resolution allowing reimbursement to the General Fund for expenses paid from General if passed no longer than 60 days after expense is incurred; Valley County not a high debt county; will try to determine needed funds, will present updated information at next meeting.

County Attorney Clark is still working on the Burial Policy. There will be detention costs for a juvenile case and related parents' cases and court appointed attorney fees.

Trevor Lee with Economic Development presented the requirements to obtain a lot at the Mortensen Industrial Site, \$100,000 minimum tax-assessed value of improvements required, should be increased, Baker believes value should be kept low to give small businesses an opportunity. Lee will find out average value of improvements at site. Updates are needed to the provisions, need standard list of provisions for potential developers.

Meeting was recessed at 10:45 a.m. and reconvened at 11:00 a.m. with all members present.

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

Proposed Agland Values for 2018 & 2019 provided by Assessor Waltman were reviewed, values are down \$120 million; cannot use TIF values for growth.

The Board moved back into regular session at 11:05 a.m. on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Treasurer Suminski presented the Fund Balance Report for March, General Fund \$0.00, Road \$440,757.46, Relief \$54,620.63, Inheritance \$328,633.69, Bond \$114,101.28. Receipts for the month totaled \$997,300. The Tax Increment Finance Report received from the City of Ord was reviewed; for 15 years or until the bond is paid, taxes for improvements are paid to the City or the developer; after 15 years or the bond is paid, all taxes go to the County.

The monthly reports for the Clerk and Clerk of District Court were reviewed. County Clerk Musil also reported that \$37,384.76 was transferred from the Inheritance Fund to the General Fund in March.

It was noted that the NIRMA Employment Practices seminar will be April 18 at the Holiday Inn in Kearney. At least a half mile of fence has flood damage at the East County Farm, County is not eligible for FSA assistance, the renter must apply; will get a replacement estimate and file an insurance claim with NIRMA. A FEMA applicant briefing will be held at NRD on Thursday, April 11. NIRMA provides flood coverage and catastrophic inmate medical insurance. Region 26 will print employee ID badges for all employees at a cost of \$1.50 each.



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Claims and Fund Request of \$23,366.33 was approved on the motion of DeRiso, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Information concerning the potential availability of disaster assistance from the Natural Resources Conservation Service was noted. The irrigation assessment from North Loup River Public Power & Irrigation District will be paid by Knapp. Also noted was the Draft 2019 Central Sandhills Community Wildfire Protection Plan. Notification of the application to the EPA for a Construction and Operating Permit for Lean Line Pork, Inc. was discussed, application will be reviewed by County Zoning Administrator Goodrich to determine if County zoning permits are required.

Cullers shared a letter for the State Auditor's to ask if any statutes prohibit the County from obtaining a Flood Bond and to determine if the levy can be increased to pay the Bond.

The Board adjourned to the jail for the quarterly inspection.

Mail Folder items: none.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m., to reconvene on April 30, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the April 9 meeting and an agenda for the April 30 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes are also available on the County Website, [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 30, 2019 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; absent Baker (excused). Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. The minutes of April 9, 2019 meeting were approved on the motion of DeRiso, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Baker. The Agenda was adopted on the motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Baker. Sevenker noted posting of Open Meetings Act on west wall, public copies available. No public comment.

The Claims and Fund Request were reviewed, claims for the Jail should not be coded in the Sheriff's budget, County Attorney claims for sheriff's fees are service fees. DeRiso moved to approve the Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$269,308.30, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Road Secretary Simpson reported April Claims & Balances: accounts payable \$45,343.77, payroll \$44,416.90; received \$69,065.75 highway allocation and \$17,629.30 Motor Vehicle Fees; \$6,028.61 was transferred from the General Fund; larger claims were culvert, diesel, crushed concrete, de-ice gravel, waste rock, parts; Buyback account is at \$357,025.40, which must be used for roads and bridges; budget at 70.5%.

On recommendation of Road Superintendent Meyer, Cetak moved to approve Easement 19-429 for Leslie Sikyta, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker. Bids will be taken for the replacement of a bridge north of North Loup and one east of North Loup using funds from the Bridge Match Program. Bids are also being taken for bridge materials and culvert materials for 5 sites, two for the bridge match program, 2 by Arcadia and 1 on pit road. The bridge and culvert bid opening date and time was set for May 28 at 10:00 a.m., on motion of VanSlyke, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Meyer's General Report included: the FEMA scoping meeting with the Program Manager will be May 7, damage report must include all damages; need environmental clearance to move dirt on Federal Aid Roads; maintaining roads; fixing flood damage, have received offers of dirt, dirt very wet; spray roads; using temporary employees.

Weed Superintendent Kaminski and State Inspector Dave Boshalt were present with the 2018 Reports and Requirements, will close 3-4 open files, closed if infestation controlled for 3 years, more people spraying, leafy spurge continues to be a problem.

VCHS CEO Glaubke and CFO Woodward presented their monthly report. Glaubke offered thanks for the Wozab funds, Carol Schroeder received the rural practitioner award, no information concerning the purchase of the nursing home. Woodward will discuss the refinancing of Series 2014 Bonds with the Board in May, in the best interest to refinance; reviewed the financials: acute down, swing bed up, radiology up, hospice up, revenue below budget, salaries below budget, benefits down, supplies down, net income \$197,332, cash on hand to cover 321 days; working on budget.

Baker arrived at 10:10 a.m.

Kristina Foth with Valley County Tourism reported that the Tourism Committee will be expanded from 5 members to 7 members, Jane John's term on the Board will end in May. Baker moved to expand the Tourism Committee to 7 members, reappoint Jane John to the Committee and appoint Tylr Naprstek and Caleb Pollard to the Committee, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Trevor Lee, Economic Development, reported that the average valuation of improvements at the Mortensen Industrial Site is \$204,659; need to have all requirements for leasing a lot in one document that can be handed to a potential renter, improvements with a minimum of \$100,000 assessed value and have at least 1 full time employee, will ask County Attorney to draft a list.

Meeting recessed at 10:35 a.m. and reconvened at 10:45 a.m. with all members present.

Sheriff Hurlburt presented the Arcadia Law Enforcement Agreement approved by the Arcadia Village Board for renewal as of May 1, the agreement will be for 4 years ending on April 30, 2023 with an annual fee of \$32,500.



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VanSlyke made the motion to approve the agreement, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Attorney Brandon Hanson related that the inheritance tax appeal is scheduled for argument to the NE Court of Appeals on May 15 in North Platte, will represent the County at a minimal cost.

Marc Munford, Ameritas, discussed a resolution to allow the County to be reimbursed for expenditures for repairing flood damage to the roads from the proceeds of debt obligations up to \$1,500,000; a Highway Allocation GANs (Grant Anticipation Notes) was presented as an alternate form of funding rather than a Bond, note is issued and County only pays interest while waiting for FEMA funds, use the FEMA grant to pay down the note, refinance to a bond for any remaining amount, if no grant is received will refinance to a Bond. Waldmann moved to approve Resolution 19-09 to reimburse capital expenditures from the proceeds of tax-exempt or tax-favored debt obligations, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

County Attorney Clark presented a draft of the County Burial Policy; revisions discussed were to offer cremation only, request an itemized statement from the funeral home, Board will decide upon application if payment is made; will present revisions at next Board meeting. Clark will be out of the country from June 9-16, will appoint Glenn Clark as the Deputy County Attorney for that time; will work on revising the County Personnel Policy; DNA tests costing \$3,000 will be needed in the prosecution of a case.

Planning and Zoning Administrator Goodrich informed the Board that the construction of a lagoon for Lean Line Pork will require a County zoning permit, will obtain a letter of opinion from an engineer regarding the potential impact to neighboring properties before granting the permit; property has an active mapped flood plain through the premise; the NE Department of Environmental Quality deems project is necessary for compliance issues related to potential and past discharges; Goodrich will respond to NDEQ with her review and findings.

DeRiso will discuss replacement of fences on the East County Farm and debris cleanup with the renter James Knapp. It was noted that the County Board of Equalization Workshop will be June 5 and the County Board Workshop will be June 5-7 at the Holiday Inn in Kearney.

Baker made the motion to allow the Valley Rods Unlimited Car Club to use the Courthouse restroom facilities on Father's Day June 16 for the 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Father's Day Auto Show, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Since by statute the deadline for political subdivisions subject to county levy to submit preliminary levy requests is August 1 and the Assessor does not certify valuations to the Clerk until August 20, the County budget process will not be moved up a month this year. The County can apply to host one or more flood Recovery Serviceship UNL students to assist with flood recovery. NACO is partnering with D.A. Davidson to assemble a financing program to assist NE counties with financing of road and bridge repairs.

Cullers moved to cast a vote for Alma Beland for election to the NE Regional Interoperability Network Board of Directors, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

NEMA/FEMA is hosting a conference call on Thursday, May 2 for local officials regarding the FEMA Public Assistance program. A letter was received from NACO concerning the NACO Group Health Insurance pool. NACO will host County Budget Workshops in North Platte on June 26 and York on June 27, Cullers will attend. The NE Masonry Alliance and History Nebraska will host workshops on May 6-7 and May 8-9 at the Wayne County Courthouse to provide re-pointing training, Custodian Vanek will attend.

Sevenker mentioned the need to have the cameras installed at the entrances of the Courthouse. Cullers reported on the NIRMA seminar on Personnel Management & Employment Practices that she attended.

Mail Folder items: Wozab Thank You Notes

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m., to reconvene on Tuesday, May 14 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the April 30 meeting and an agenda for the May 14 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes are also available on the County Website, [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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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, May 14, 2019 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, Waldmann present; Baker and VanSlyke absent. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. The April 30 minutes were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker and VanSlyke. Agenda adopted on motion of Waldmann, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Baker and VanSlyke. Chairman Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies available on counter. No public comment. Baker arrived at 9:05 a.m.

Road Supt. Meyer presented the Agreement for Professional Services for Oak Creek Engineering to provide services for a project on 486<sup>th</sup> Ave. Cullers moved to approve the agreement for the re-alignment of 486<sup>th</sup> Ave and bridge removal south of 805<sup>th</sup> Road, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

Meyer's General Report included: blading roads, starting to group motor graders to get the roads done; fixing soft spots; one road still washed out; NMC is working on a grader, no time for County shop to do repairs; Ulrich's will haul gravel; Lammers Construction working by Arcadia; the FEMA project manager met with the County, only entity that manager is serving that had the damage report ready, have 18 months to fix damage, have not heard when project manager will be back to allow damages to be entered in the portal.

Marc Munford is no longer with Ameritas, have not heard what will happen with bond, will need \$200,000, Sevenker will contact Ameritas.

Meeting recessed at 9:55 a.m., reconvened at 10:10 a.m. with VanSlyke absent.

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

Ord School Supt. Dr. Heather Nebesniak, School Board member Dawn Skibinski and District Business Manager Cathy Carson gave a presentation concerning the use of tax resources by school district, receive no equalization state aid, receive transportation, option, and poverty state aid; schools must hold a levy hearing to raise the levy; 80% of budget is personnel; growing funds instead of asking for funds from taxpayers; schools required to education from age 0 to age 21.

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

The dates to hear Property Valuation protests were set as requested, June 25 (11:00 a.m.), July 8 (7:00 p.m.) and July 9 (11:00 a.m.) on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. Notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemption for Dommie Michalski due to not occupying home from January 1 to August 15, was approved on motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. No order proposing an adjustment of the value for a class or subclass of real property in Valley County was entered by the NE Tax Equalization and Review Commission.

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

Sheriff Hurlburt presented the North Loup Law Enforcement Agreement approved by the North Loup Village Board for renewal as of July 1, the agreement will be for 4 years ending on July 1, 2023 with an annual fee of \$32,500. Baker made the motion to approve the agreement, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

County Attorney Clark will report on the Burial Policy, Personnel Policy and requirements for the Mortensen Development Site lots at the next meeting.

Treasurer Suminski presented the Fund Balance Report for April, noting balance of \$731,783.00 General, \$443,720.45 Road, \$328,820.68 Inheritance, \$145,477.44 Bond; total collected for the month \$5,980,000. Everyone with delinquent 2018 taxes gets a notice. The Treasurer and Assessor have been having software problems for several months, the Terra Scan server has been outdated for 1 ½ years, Bill Johson with Terra Scan has been assisting the





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Assessor for several weeks without pay, will pay for the work he has already done, pay for updated server in next budget year.

DeRiso spoke to James Knapp concerning the fences washed away in the flood at the East County Farm, will present estimate for replacement of the fences to the Board, Knapp will contact FSA about debris removal.

It was noted that the NACO Board of Equalization and County Board Workshops will be June 5, 6 and 7 at the Holiday Inn in Kearney. The NACO Budget Workshop will be June 26 or 27 in North Platte or York.

Following review, Cullers moved to approve the claims and fund request in the amount of \$28,085.09, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

Kevin Sheldon, chair of the Veterans Service Committee, will ask Larry Proskocil if he would like to be reappointed to a 5 year term on the Veterans Service Committee.

Sherri Goodrich, Planning and Zoning Administrator, is reviewing the DEQ application by JNR Farms, Inc. for a Construction and Operating Permit for a concentrated animal feeding operation.

Baker reported on the Health Board meeting, new State law requires a permit if anyone is selling food products, concerned that no one will know about the law but fines will be levied. Sevenker said that bids are being taken to replace the panic buttons in the County offices, cameras will be installed at the entrances of the Courthouse by the end of the month.

Mail Folder items: Wozab Thank You Notes

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p. m., to reconvene on May 28, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the May 14 meeting and an agenda for the May 28 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes are also available on the County Website, [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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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, May 28, 2019 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, Waldmann present; Baker (excused) and VanSlyke absent. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. DeRiso moved to approve minutes of May 14 meeting, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Baker and VanSlyke. VanSlyke arrived at 9:05 a.m. Agenda adopted on motion of Waldmann, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Baker. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted, public copies available on counter. No public comment.

May Road Claims and Balances Report by Secretary Simpson included: Accounts Payable \$109,649.76, Payroll \$40,525.02; larger expenses include culverts, diesel, crushed brick, road work, crushed concrete, gravel, engineering for bridge replacement, chemicals.

Gravel bid date and time was set for June 25 at 9:30 a.m., on motion of Cetak, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker. Sterling and Deborah Ritz requested an explanation of the process for the County to receive funds from FEMA, they need to get trucks in and out for their livelihood, they want to be part of the solution to get the roads fixed. Road Supt. Meyer responded; the County cannot find qualified grader operators, call if they need to get trucks out and Road Department will help, DeRiso said they need to call their congressmen. LB82 continues process of Road reports to the State but eliminates the requirement of the annual filing being sent to the State, copies are retained by the County, signed Resolution will be sent to the State.

Meyer's General Report included: Vlach and Lammers are hauling dirt, fixing trucks, crushed concrete hauled from Grand Island, slides are developing on the sides of the roads, new employee will start in June.

VCHS CEO Nancy Glaubke and CFO Ashley Woodward presented their monthly report. Glaubke presented the monthly hospital report; celebrated National Hospital Week, working on budget. Woodward reported the bond refinancing is on hold until a better interest rate is available, \$1.6 million bond payment will be made after approval at the next Board meeting. Woodward also reviewed financials: acute down; swing bed up; radiology up; hospice up; benefits up, hopefully able to negotiate better insurance rates; contributions are up. Sevenker read Gary Garnick's resignation from Valley County Hospital Board due to relocating to eastern Nebraska, Jessica Piskorski's letter expressing willingness to complete the term was reviewed. Cullers moved to appoint Jessica Piskorski to serve until April 30, 2021 to fill the remainder of the term of Gary Garnick, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Present for the Bridge Structure, Replacement, Removal and Materials Bid Openings were Lance Harter, Oak Creek Engineering; Jay Meyer, Valley County Highway Superintendent; Ryan Manning, Midwest Infrastructure; Kent Shirley, Simon Contractors; Adam Gubbels, Theisen Construction; Tom Bokenkamp, Ace/Eaton Metals; Ambrose Placzek, Midwest Service; Ed Hoevet, Ed Hoevet Excavations. Bids for structure replacement: Simon Contractors \$615,470; Theisen Construction \$472,023; Hoevet Excavation \$447,490; Midwest Infrastructure \$588,622. Material Bid A: Ace/Eaton Metals \$61,035; Midwest Infrastructure \$65,578. Material Bid B: Ace/Eaton Metals \$103,509; Midwest Infrastructure \$117,246. All bids will be reviewed by the engineer and recommendations will be made at the next meeting for formal acceptance.

Jay Spearman, Ameritas, presented information for highway allocation fund bonds to repair flood damage to the County roads, bonds can be paid down after 2 years at no penalty if money is received from FEMA. DeRiso moved to approve the Resolution authorizing the issuance by the County of General Obligation Highway Allocation Fund Pledge Bonds not to exceed \$305,000 to pay the costs of construction and improving roads and related improvements, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Baker.

County Weed Superintendent Kaminski and Angie Kokes were present to discuss noxious weed control on the E½ NW4 25-20-14 belonging to James Schaaf; sent notice, returned non-deliverable, Sheriff served notice, nothing has been sprayed on parcel, have received no payment for forced spray last year; Kokes said main problem is spurge; landowner complained that trees were killed in last year's spray, County Attorney Clark reported that the County has no liability for trees, owner should have sprayed the weeds; notices have been sent for 17 years. Kaminski recommends sending 10 Day Notice, if nothing will force spray. Waldmann moved to give Kaminski the authority to



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issue a 10 Day Notice to control weeds served by the County Sheriff on Schaaf, on 11<sup>th</sup> day County will spray, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Meeting recessed at 11:20 a.m. and reconvened at 11:25 a.m. with Baker absent.

County Attorney Clark presented the Burial Policy; authorize cremation only, Board has final approval of applications approved by HHS, burial expense must contain an itemized invoice. VanSlyke moved to approve the Burial Policy, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Baker. The County Personnel Policy needs to be updated; Board can be involved in department personnel issues if there is the prospect of financial impact on the County, create steps to resolve issues, a committee will be appointed to work on the Personnel Policy at the June 25 meeting. No work has been done on the terms for the leased Mortensen Development Site lots. The agreement with the Lancaster County Youth Services Center for juvenile detention services was reviewed, juvenile was placed at center. Cetak moved to sign the Agreement, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Baker. Clark will be gone from June 9-16, Glenn Clark will handle court and act while she is gone.

No recommendation has been received from the Veterans Service Committee concerning the appointment to the Committee, table to next meeting.

Sheri Goodrich, Planning and Zoning Administrator, presented the review and findings for the DEQ application for Construction and Operating Permit for the JNR Farms, Inc. Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation; NDEQ records for this site date back to 1972, requiring waste controls for compliance to Livestock Waste Control Regulations, applicant requesting expansion from 999 to 2,000 head, not located within currently mapped flood zone, will require a County Zoning Permit prior to start-up, will submit review and findings to NDEQ, no further action until Zoning Permit is received. Goodrich presented the GIS contract renewal, cost going from \$3,500 to \$3,672, choice of three or five year contract to lock in price. VanSlyke made the motion to sign a 5 year contract with GIS for service, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Noted that the NACO Board of Equalization and County Board Workshops will be June 5, 6 and 7 at the Holiday Inn in Kearney. The NACO Budget Workshop will be June 26 or 27 in North Platte or York.

VanSlyke moved to sign the 2019 Central Sandhills Community Wildfire Protection Plan, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Danny Vanek, County Custodian, reported on the masonry workshop he attended; old mortar between bricks should be removed with a hammer and chisel; space between the bricks should be filled with a hot mix of lime, sand and water; cement causes deterioration of bricks.

Following review, Cullers moved to approve the May claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$427,764.99, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Baker.

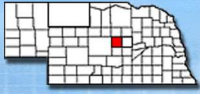
The Jail Standards Board has reviewed the report on the April 19 evaluation and has determined the Jail is in full compliance.

DeRiso reported that Mid Plains Center is doing well financially.

Mail folder items: none.

Meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m., to reconvene on June 11, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the May 28 meeting and an agenda for the June 11 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes are also available on the County Website, [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 11, 2019 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; Baker and Cetak (excused) absent. Baker arrived at 9:02 a.m. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. Minutes of the May 28, 2019 meeting were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Abstain: Baker, was not present for meeting. Absent: Cetak. Cullers moved to adopt the agenda, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Cetak. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on the west wall, public copies available on the counter. No public comment was offered.

On recommendation of Road Superintendent Meyer, Waldmann moved to approve refunding Easement 18-421 for Mitch Vodehnal, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

Meyer presented the recommendations of Lance Harter, Oak Creek Engineering, on bid awards for the bridge project north of North Loup. Waldmann made the motion to sign the Notice of Award for Ed Hoebet Excavating for structure replacement, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: Cetak. DeRiso moved to award material Bid A and Bid B to Ace/Eaton Metals, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

Meyer's General Report included: maintained 7 Mile Road, employee leaving, training new employee, put in shoe fly for bridge by Larry White's, contractors working around Arcadia, hauling gravel, patching roads, mowing, Meyer will attend Highway Superintendent Conference in Valentine, project manager for FEMA here on Friday. NEMA is applying for funds for a new disaster beginning May 16, any damage from March flooding not fixed by May 16 will be included in new disaster, Valley County had no new damage. Will be putting up Jake Brake signs. Oak Creek Engineering will submit a proposal for replacement of the bridge by Larry White's. Estimated numbers for a 2 year call of Series 2019 Highway Allocation Fund Bonds were reviewed.

VCHS CEO Nancy Glaubke and CFO Ashley Woodward presented the Hospice Renewal Licensure Application. Cullers moved to sign the application, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Cetak. Cullers made the motion to approve Resolution 19-11 calling \$1,620,000 of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2014 for Payment and Redemption Prior to Maturity, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

Weed Supt. Kaminski reported that a 10-Day Notice was sent to James Schaaf, landowner is spraying, will inform Angie Kokes.

In the absence of Treasurer Suminski the Fund Balance Report for May was reviewed, balance of \$632,928.08 General, \$427,840.68 Road, \$339,259.03 Inheritance, \$149,819.32 Bond; total collected for the month \$1,342,200. Pledge Security for First National Bank was released. The \$8,181.08 weed assessment for Phyllis Meese was paid. The lease or purchase of a printer were reviewed, go with best value. Purchase of Treasurer and Assessor Software/Internet/T. Scan Server Upgrade SMPC will be in next budget.

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

The meeting recessed at 10:10 a.m., and reconvened at 10:15 a.m. with Cetak absent.

The appointment to the Veterans Service Committee was continued to the next Board meeting. The NACO Budget Workshop will be June 26 in North Platte and June 27 in York

The Claims and Fund Request for \$26,079.20 were reviewed and approved on motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

The Sheriff's office appreciates physicians that come to the jail to treat prisoners, not a duty of the County Physician.

The NIRMA billing statement for 2019-20 in the amount of \$93,254, a 7.12% increase of \$6,202, was reviewed, biggest increase was to Workers' Compensation. Becky Richter is serving as the NIRMA point-person for Valley County. The Annual NACO Conference will be December 11-13 in Kearney. The Board signed a letter thanking Gary Garnick for his years of service on the Hospital Board. Baker will speak to the Olsen family about maintaining the Vinton Cemetery, hard to access.



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Baker moved to sign the County Disaster Declaration from flooding of rain on May 16, 2019, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Cetak. The Lincoln Financial renewal of life and disability benefits was reviewed, monthly premium will increase by \$99.31. Baker moved to sign the Region 3 Behavioral Health Services FY 2019/2020 County Match Request in the amount of \$10,720.76, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

Cullers reported that Custodian Vanek will purchase a buffer; a large limb fell from a decayed tree on the Courthouse lawn, Sevenker will speak to Rich Woolen about the tree, a bid for removal will be obtained. DeRiso will talk to James Knapp concerning the fence on the East County Farm. VanSlyke reported that the Region 26 billing will increase, 4% increase of usage.

The Board of Equalization convened at 11:05 a.m. on motion of Waldmann, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Cetak. Deb Waits from the Assessor's office and the Clerk were present.

Waits presented the Assessor Certification of Complete revision of the 2019 Real Property Assessment Roll. Notices of Valuation Change for County property were reviewed.

The Board moved out of Board of Equalization at 11:15 a.m. on the motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m., to reconvene on June 25, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the June 11 meeting and an agenda for the June 25 meeting is available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes of the June 11 meeting are also available on the County website ([www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us)).

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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 25, 2019 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. Minutes of June 11 meeting were approved on motion of Cullers, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. VanSlyke moved to adopt the agenda, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies available on counter. No public comment.

Road Secretary Simpson's June Road Claims Report included: Payroll \$45,960.68, Accounts Payable \$124,243.09, Highway Allocation \$76,367.44; larger expenses included culverts, diesel, gravel, rock, parts, crushed concrete, snow plows, chain saws, sanders, repairs. \$312,052 left in budget, 86% of budget spent.

Meyer's General Report included: purchased a concrete saw, 4 chain saws, weed eaters and snow plows from the State, thrown away by State, spent very little, very little wrong with items; repairing roads; finished shoe fly; mowing; road crew starting at 6:00 a.m., working 9 hour days, working on weekends; patching Sargent Ord Road; will overlay Sargent Ord and Fort roads, damage list in FEMA portal.

Gravel Bids were opened and read by Supt. Meyer at 9:30 a.m. in the order in which they were received. Bids were received from Jeffres Sand and Gravel Inc. and Ulrich Gravel Inc. Lee Jeffres and Scott Ulrich were present. Jeffres' bid included: (bids per cubic yard) Class A Road Gravel \$10.40, 47B Windrow Gravel \$10.40, Armor Coat Gravel \$10.40, Sand \$5.00, De-Icing Gravel \$10.50, haul rates are \$85.00 per hour for straight truck and \$130 per hour for truck & pup, semi, belly dump, grain trailer. Ulrich's bid included: (bids per cubic yard) Gravel at pit \$10.25, cubic yard mile truck charge \$.32, Mud Rock \$20.25, Sand \$4.25, Ice/Salt Gravel \$10.05, 47B Gravel \$10.05, Armor Coat Gravel \$10.25, Shaker Rock \$16.75, Waste Rock \$13.00, haul rates min. \$2.75. Following discussion, Baker moved to accept the gravel bids from Ulrich and Jeffres, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Hospital CEO Nancy Glaubke and CFO Ashley Woodward presented the monthly Hospital report. Glaubke reported many were attending the Health Fair; survey reported no deficiencies; 63% response to employee engagement survey; Carl Streeter elected chairman of Hospital Board, Roger Lansman vice-chairman, Michelle Zangger secretary, Nathan Flessner treasurer; budget was approved, increase of health insurance costs, replacing radiology equipment, call light system no longer supported, purchase new system. Woodward reviewed financials: CT scan up, MRI up, nuclear medicine down, Heritage down, hospice up, home health down, gross patient revenue up, benefits up. Hospice increase due to length of time services are used, volunteers are important.

Caleb Polard presented the Valley County Tourism's Bi-Annual Report; publishing and distributing travel guide, investigating whether Airbnb's are collecting lodging tax, lodging tax collections have increased significantly. 2019-2020 Strategic Planning includes improving the website content, using video and social media; not going away from print but using a different way including postcards; develop access to rivers; promote the night sky; many people in cities are looking for a weekend getaway. The 2019-2020 budget was reviewed. Trevor Lee's request to post a banner on the Courthouse lawn for the July 25-26 Sidewalk Sales was approved on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Lee requested Board approval of a Section 128A Phase I Environmental Assessment by DEQ at the undeveloped area of the Mortensen Industrial Site for Economic Development renewal, property records search to check historical use of land. Cullers moved to approve the assessment, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

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

County Attorney Clark could not attend the meeting, agenda items continued to next meeting.

Cetak made a motion to reappoint Larry Proskocil to the Veterans Service Committee for a 5 year term beginning July 1, 2019, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. The County paid for the fencing materials for the East County Farm, adjoining landowners will pay labor costs. Sevenker signed the Bond Purchase Agreement for Series 2019 Highway Allocation Fund Bonds, Jay Spearman will attend the next meeting with other documents to sign.



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Following review, Baker moved to approve the June claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$537,959.06, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

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

Property Valuation Protest #1 from State Bank of Scotia on Parcel #880024444, Milford's Add Ord/L8 B19, protested value: Land \$6,620, Buildings \$55,235, Total \$61,855; requested value: Land \$6,620, Buildings \$35,000, Total \$41,620; homeowner's written testimony: Home and Property condition is poor; Bank acquired in foreclosure sale and have been trying to sell for over five months; Even parties that do rentals are not interested because of condition and current RE taxes. Assessor's written testimony: Bob, Chrissie & Linda reviewed the property on June 17, 2019 at 9:00 AM; The basement walls are bowed in places from moisture, too damp for storage, stairs to basement are steep and uneven; The main level has very uneven floors in every room, the bathroom has water damage on the floor; The kitchen has not had any updates for a while, there is water damage on the ceiling and floor in the living room from the upstairs bathroom; On the second floor the ceiling and walls have settlement cracks, but no other structure damage on that floor; The electrical wiring may have some issues; The foundation looks ok; There is no insulation in the house and the windows are in poor condition, The house has much needed repair. Assessor's written recommendation: adjust the condition from average plus to fair plus which will change the depreciation from 55% to 72%; This will lower the value on the house, basement and garage; The land value will stay at \$6,620, house \$34,370 for total of \$40,990. Following discussion, Baker moved to accept the Assessor's recommendation, Cetak second. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Land Use changes for Daryl & Laura Miller, Marcus & Rebecca Gorecki, Eugene & Jean Hawley, Paul & Rhonda Bredthauer and SGS Rentals were approved on motion of Baker, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Tax List Correction 3851 for Jimmy and Helen Hulinsky, parcel transferred to Helen's name on June 22, 2018, did not qualify for homestead exemption, approved on motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemption for Helen Hulinsky due to not owning home, was approved on motion of Cetak, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Tax List Correction 3852 for Shopko Stores Operating Co., sold business, approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

The Board moved out of Board of Equalization at 11:20 a.m. on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

A memo will be sent to office heads thanking them for their conservative spending and requesting that spending be limited until a new budget is adopted in September. The Budget time-line was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. The District 8 Probation FY 19-20 budget was reviewed, Cullers will request a caseload break down. The invitation to a White House tour and meeting on July 25 was noted.

Committee Reports: Sevenker showed pictures of the tree that was removed from the Courthouse lawn, Leth Tree Service reduced the cost to remove the tree from \$1,300 to \$1,000, Leth will donate a replacement tree. Cullers reported for Region 3, Beth Baxter received a 3% wage increase, reviewed grievance policy, waiting for State to finish budget.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m., to reconvene as Board of Equalization on July 8 at 7:00 p.m. if necessary to hear property valuation protests, and on July 9, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the June 25 meeting and an agenda for the July 9 meeting is available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes of the June 25 meeting are also available on the County website ([www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us)).

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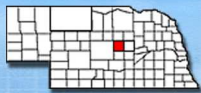
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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session in their Courthouse meeting room on Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken with Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, VanSlyke, Waldmann present, Sevenker absent (excused). Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. June 25 minutes approved on motion of DeRiso, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Sevenker. Agenda adopted on motion of Waldmann, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Sevenker. Cullers noted Open Meetings Act posted, public copies on counter. There was no public comment.

Road Superintendent Meyer reported the FEMA inspectors will be here July 16 to inspect the bridge by Larry White's and other road damage; shoefly for White bridge partially washed out, passable again, would like to go through mitigation with FEMA to improve the bridge, will need bigger bridge to meet standards, use \$300,000 bond money to build; working on flood damage.

Kristina Foth, Ord Chamber, outlined the National Night Out on August 6 sponsored by the Ord Police Department and the Ord Area Chamber of Commerce; annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live, downtown block party. Baker moved to approve Foth's request for the use of the Courthouse lawn and sidewalks for activities, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: Sevenker.

The closing documents for the Highway Allocation Fund Bonds as presented by Jay Spearman, Ameritas, were signed; \$305,000 will be wired, interest rate of 1.88%, call in two years is possible.

Treasurer Suminski presented the Fund Balance Report for June, balance of \$320,801.90 General, \$433,892.84 Road, \$446,025.39 Inheritance, \$151,360.72 Bond; total collected for the month \$702,950. The Semi-Annual Fund Report which will be printed in the Quiz and the FY Balance of all funds were reviewed. Pledge Security for Federal Home Loan Bank and Pledge Security Releases for Federal Home Loan Bank and Federal Farm Credit Bank were noted.

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

The invitation to the White House Conference on July 25 was noted. The District 8 Probation amended budget for FY 2019-2020 was reviewed, no change for Valley County.

Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$24,991.94 were approved on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Sevenker. Resolution 19-12 transferring funds due to budget overage was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Sevenker.

Baker moved to sign the memo for County officials and department heads concerning spending, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Sevenker.

VanSlyke noted that Region 26 has decided to use a five year usage format to determine county assessments, Valley County assessment will be \$54,875, lower than last year.

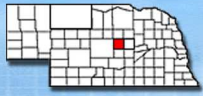
Shelisa Stam representing County Court presented a proposal for on-site shredding, two 65 gallon carts, service 3 times a years for \$300. Waldmann made the motion to approve the use of a shredder by County Court, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Sevenker. Valley County will be included in the Chief Justice's Summer Tour on August 13.

The meeting was recessed at 10:45 a.m. and reconvened at 10:55 a.m. with Sevenker absent.

Committee Reports: Cullers reported on the Budget Workshop; Interlocal agreements and improvements to roads or bridges are capital expenses.

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

Protest #2, Steffan Baker, Parcel #880037117, Ord North Highway Add/102 1.868 acres in E2 NE4 NE4 20-19-14; protested value: Land \$12,825, Buildings \$0, Total \$12,825; requested value: Land \$8,000, buildings \$0, Total \$8,000; Steffan Baker was present; written testimony included: Valuation increased \$3,830 from 2018 to 2019, I purchased the property for \$8,000, \$995 less than the 2018 valuation, This is the fair market value of this property. Assessor's written



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testimony: When Baeders owned this parcel, the land was valued at \$14,590; When the split of the parcel took place, due to the time of year, the value could not change; \$14,590 on the land had to be split between Baker & DCI, LLC; Baker value was set at \$8,995 and DCI value was set at \$5,595; When the valuation notices were sent out for 2018, neither Baker or DCI owned these properties, so they did not have a true value for the previous number on the 2019 valuation notice; Since the parcel was split out, there was a survey done and we discovered that our information on the square foot of the land has been incorrect for quite some time; This was corrected for the 2019 tax year; Baker purchased 81,357 sq. ft. taken times .16 per sq. ft. equals \$12,825 for the new value for 2019; There have not been enough vacant land sales to justify the revision of land values; Everyone in the neighborhood 1204 is being treated equally. Baker said the only way to access the property was through his property, should be zoned commercial like all other properties in the area, area is a swamp, should use fair market value. Assessor's written recommendation: No change for this protest. Cetak moved to set value at \$8,995, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke. No: none. Abstain: Baker. Absent: Sevenker.

Protest #3, Bruce and Dianne Worm, Parcel #880007371, Enterprise Twp/46 P NW4 NW4 (16 rods x 30 rods) 34-18-14; protested value: Land \$18,000, Buildings \$39,530, Total \$57,530; requested value: Land \$18,000, Buildings \$19,500, Total \$37,500. Bruce Worm was present; written testimony: Excessive valuation increase of \$18,990, Buildings +92.46% Overall +49.3%, Home has little value. Assessor's written testimony: Steffan, Tara, and Linda reviewed the property; Bruce was there; The house was protested in 2009 and the Assessor had adjusted the physical depreciation to reflect the value on the protest; At that time we had reviewed the property; The roof had leaked and caused damage to the ceilings inside the house; Now in 2019 there is more water damage to different areas in the house; The house has not had any renovations except the bathroom; The electric and plumbing were updated for that area only; The south side of the house had hail damage, so that area has 4 new windows and vinyl siding; the rest of the house has asbestos siding and old windows; The roof now has new shingles; The southeast corner of the house has foundation issues which is causing water to get in the basement, this is causing some mold problems in the basement; The house is livable and in fair condition according to the "condition rating information." Assessor said the depreciation was lowered in 2009 but never raised back until 2019, crack in foundation, water damage in almost every room, house value at \$26,810. Worm said he lives in the house but house has little value, no value in updating an old house. Assessor written recommendation: Leave the house at the updated value due to others that are comparable in the county, this value is where the house should be. Cetak moved to set the value of the house at \$13,280 for one year, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke. No: Baker. Absent: Sevenker.

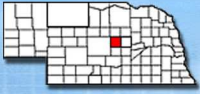
The Overvalued/Undervalued Report was reviewed, the house of William and Valjean Long is a modular, renovated after a fire, son asked that the property receive a higher valuation to help sell it, moved from modular to stick built, value from \$49,715 to \$91,600. The Notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemption for Sheryl Krcilek due to death prior to August 15, 2019 deadline was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Sevenker.

The Board moved out of Board of Equalization at 12:10 p.m. on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Sevenker.

County Attorney Clark went over items to include in the terms for leased Mortensen Development Site lots, \$100,000 assessed value, at least 1 full-time employee, build within 1 year, liability insurance; will compile a list to give to anyone interested in a lot. A committee to revise the personnel policy will consist of department heads or a representative of the department and two Board members. There is another juvenile in detention, looking for a foster home; will attend child support training.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m., to reconvene on July 30, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the July 9 meeting and an agenda for the July 30 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes of the July 9 meeting are also available on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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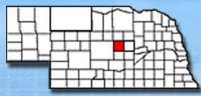


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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session in their Courthouse meeting room on Tuesday, July 30, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; Baker absent (excused). Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. July 9 minutes approved on motion of DeRiso, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cetak, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Abstain: Sevenker, was not present for meeting. Absent: Baker. Agenda adopted on motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Baker. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies on counter. No public comment.

Road Secretary Simpson presented the Road Claims and Balances Report for July: accounts payable \$239,736.49, payroll \$42,387.12, overtime \$5,155.81; allocation for August was \$81,935.77; larger expenses included culverts, motor grader and loader payments, equipment rental, gravel, parts, diesel, concrete, rock.

Grader Blade bid date and time was set for August 27 at 9:30 a.m., on motion of VanSlyke, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Baker. On recommendation of Road Superintendent Meyer, Cetak moved to approve Easement 19-430 for Frontier Communications, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Meyer presented Agreements for Professional Services by Oak Creek Engineering for replacement of Structure #C008804120, White Bridge; structure replacement on 476<sup>th</sup> Ave., north branch of Mira Creek; and structure replacement on 804<sup>th</sup> Rd., South Branch of Mira Creek. DeRiso moved to approve the agreements, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker. Meyer's General Report included: overlaid Fort Road, overlaying Sargent/Ord Road; one of Ulrich's pumps is broken, getting gravel from Jeffres, longer haul; pulling shoulders; replaced bridge that caved in with culvert; will lay millings at Davis Creek. FEMA inspectors were here July 15, will have new project manager, FEMA wants paperwork for shoefly, would like to mitigate to up size White bridge, bond proceeds have been received.

Weed Superintendent Kaminski reported that 5 open cases were closed by the State, 6 still open; several should be closed next year, weeds are being controlled, will probably have one 10 day notice next year.

Hospital CEO Nancy Glaubke presented the monthly Hospital Report; good volumes in clinics, hospice numbers have doubled, labs up, revenue up, expenses up, offer competitive wages, Dr. McClanahan was elected Chief of Staff, attempted break-in at the Burwell clinic, have heard nothing more about sale of the nursing home.

Attorney Brandon Hanson presented the opinion of the Court of Appeals for the inheritance tax appeal, the judge's order was upheld, recommended no further action by the County.

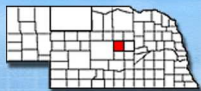
County Attorney Clark presented the names for the committee to review the personnel policy. One criminal case has been taken over by the Feds, the County will not pay any costs in the case; the juvenile case may be taken over by the Feds; there may not be any trials in September; individual in California who was placing threatening calls to Valley County residents has been arrested, do not want to bring him here, the NE Supreme Court Chief Justice will tour the Courthouse on August 13. The request for County burial is for a resident of the County.

Meeting recessed at 10:30 a.m. and reconvened at 10:40 a.m. with Baker absent.

Following discussion of liability concerns, Waldmann moved to allow the Ord Chamber to place a bouncy house on the Courthouse lawn and a water feature on the sidewalk on August 6 for the National Night Out with the understanding the County is not assuming any liability, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Baker. There will be no County employee recognition dinner this year, many employees signed up for the dinner last year did not attend. A silent auction for surplus County property will be held from August 5-9. The Region 26 assessment for Valley County for the 2019-20 fiscal year will be \$54,874.15, assessment based on a 5 year usage, decrease for the County.

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

A Motor Vehicle Exemption Application was presented for Mid-Nebraska Individual Services for a new vehicle. Following review of the application, Cetak moved to approve the application, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Baker. The Notice of Rejection of Homestead



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Exemption for Laverne Jablonski due to death prior to August 15, 2019 deadline was approved on the motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Baker. The 2019 Plan of Assessment was approved on the motion of Waldmann, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker. Tax List Correction 3853 for Barbara Veskerna., sold mobile home, sheds and garage, approved on motion of VanSlyke, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker. The July 24 minutes for the special session to consider the Reports of Destroyed Real Property were approved on the motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Abstain: Sevenker, was not present for meeting. Absent: Baker. The Assessor and Clerk will work on a policy for accepting protests and present it at the next meeting.

The Board moved out of BOE at 11:20 a.m. on motion of Waldmann, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Baker.

County Budget Accountant, Chuck Abel, presented preliminary budget information for FY19-20 based on the funds requested by the County Officials and department heads and estimated receipts for FY19-20. County cash balance is up; if all budget requests were spent General fund would be negative \$121,068, normally the General fund does not spend its entire budget; would need to increase levy from 23.2370 to 26.2370 to collect the same amount of taxes as last fiscal year.

At 12:00 p.m. VanSlyke moved to go into closed session, it being necessary for the protection of the public interest, for the purpose of discussing strategy regarding pending litigation, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Baker. The closed session concluded at 12:16 p.m. No action was taken.

July Claims and Fund Request were reviewed and approved in the amount of \$658,451.81, on motion of DeRiso, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker. Resolution 19-13 allowing the County Treasurer and County Clerk to transfer funds from the Inheritance Tax Fund to the General Fund if insufficient collections are made in July was approved on motion of Waldmann, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker.

The Courthouse will be 100 years old on September 22, 2020, continued the discussion of celebration to mark the event to May 2020. The Extension office has a used copier they will give to any County department wanting it. Sevenker will talk to Danny Vanek about contacting a person who worked on the tuck pointing of the Courthouse for tips on tuck pointing. Further information will be needed before a decision can be made concerning the possibility of the County paying part of employee family coverage. The request to sign a resolution supporting the petition drive by TrueNebraskans to place on the ballot a measure for property tax relief was tabled.

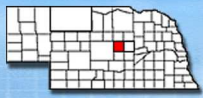
Committee Reports: Cullers reported the Wozab Fund ending balance was \$1,279,841.61, income for the period was \$32,117.08; expenses \$31,591.53; endowment payout available \$31,582.64.

Meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m. to reconvene on August 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. for the FY 19-20 budget meeting and August 13, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the July 30 meeting and an agendas for August 12 and 13 are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes are also available on the County website, [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, August 27, 2019 in the Courthouse Boardroom; Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, and Waldmann present. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. The minutes of the August 12 budget meeting and August 13 regular meeting were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. The agenda was adopted on motion of VanSlyke, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies on counter. No public comment offered.

Sheriff Hurlburt presented a revised Jail budget; losing deputies, can get better pay elsewhere; increase of meth arrests in community, more juvenile detention and suicide attempts; difficulty hiring and retaining jailers, increased pay for jail tenders and expenses for board of prisoners.

Grader Blade Bids were opened at 9:30 a.m. by Road Superintendent Meyer: B's Enterprises Inc. bundles of 10 - \$106.25 each, lots of 100 - \$89.00 each, 400 pieces - \$81.00 each; Barco bundles of 10 - \$132.00 each, lots of 100 - \$108.00 each; Michael Todd bundles of 10 - \$123.00 each, lots of 100 - \$97.43 each, 400 pieces - \$88.08 each; NMC bundles of 10 - \$115.51 each, lots of 100 - \$100.11 each, over 300 - \$86.25 each. VanSlyke moved to accept bids as received and allow Meyer to decide at his discretion which bid to accept, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Road Secretary Simpson presented the Road Claims and Balances Report for August: accounts payable \$209,498.28, payroll \$48,678.71; larger expenses included culverts, diesel, gravel, concrete, crushed concrete, bridge inspection, parts, tires, rock; \$35,395.66 used from bond; \$59,153.26 used from buyback funds; allocation for August was \$82,422.10.

The date and time to accept bids to replace the bridge by Larry White was set for September 10 at 9:15 a.m., on motion of Baker, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Meyer reported a section of Round Barn Road was washed-out with latest rain, other scattered damage in County; will hire help to clean out ditches; FEMA program manager said some site inspection were not done correctly, trying to figure what was done before he took over, will be back September 16; will be ordering beads for striping paint with Custer County to get the State price.

Jim Wray and Dennis Maly did not appear to discuss weed control issues, Wray told Cullers that the northeast corner of the County will be covered with spurge in the spring, no teeth in 10-day notices, waste of money to pay weed superintendent. Weed Superintendent Kaminski reported that the State had closed the file on one parcel because the weeds were controlled, some parcels could not be sprayed because of the rain, some were sprayed late, one land owner will shred the weeds in the spring, fall notices will be sent in September. Kaminski sent an email to the Department of Agriculture about finding a way to require a cover crop and control of weeds on prevent plant areas.

Hospital CEO Nancy Glaubke and CFO Ashley Woodward presented the monthly Hospital report. Glaubke noted that money received from the Wozab Fund and Aksarben was used to purchase an EKG, the audit will be September 16. Woodward reviewed the financial and statistical information: acute days up, ER up, radiology up, out-patient up, revenue up, bad debt up; supplies up; cash dropped because bond payment was made, accounts receivable up.

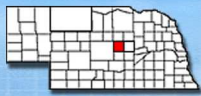
Meeting recessed at 10:30 a.m., reconvened at 10:40 a.m. with all members present.

The Central District meeting will be September 19 in Aurora. Disaster DR-4420 dates have been extended to July 14. The silent auction of surplus County property netted \$316.50. Region III has increased the County Match for Valley County by \$63.19.

The Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$473,334.93 were approved on motion of Cullers, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Baker moved to review and sign office inventories, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

County Attorney Clark reported there will be no jury trials in September; not in favor of mandatory eFiling, 90% of cases filed by hard copy and 10% filed electronically; trying to receive delinquent child support cases earlier from State to receive more reimbursement for enforcement.



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Jay Spearman has resigned from Ameritas, will not affect the County bond.

Budget revisions will be made to the Jail and Region III budgets, Clerk Musil requested an additional \$1,500 in the budget to replace computers; Miscellaneous General was changed, HRA Veba increased \$30,000; if all budget requests are spent the General fund would be negative \$151,068 without additions to Jail, Region III and Clerk budgets. Cullers moved to publish the budget notice using a levy rate of .28, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. The Budget Hearing and Special Hearing to Set Final Tax Request will be September 10 at 10:00 a.m.

Resolution 19-14 authorizing the subdivision levy requests was approved on motion of Baker, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

A model Safety Manual was received from NIRMA, the Safety Committee will revise County Manual. NIRMA Self Defense for County Officials Conference will be October 3-4 at the Holthus Convention Center in York and 2019 Legislative Conference will be October 10 at the McCook Community College in McCook.

Cullers reported that from 2018 to 2019 Region III had an increase of 154 mental health cases and 94 substance abuse cases.

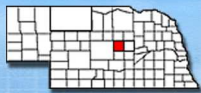
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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 24, 2019 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. Cullers indicated that the minutes of the September 10 meeting should be amended to reflect that Resolution 19-16 was adopting the budget as published with the exception of Hospital O & M expenditures which were increased to \$1,600,000. The corrected September 10 minutes were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Baker. VanSlyke moved to adopt the agenda, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Baker. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies available on counter. There was no public comment. Baker arrived at 9:05 a.m.

County Attorney Clark noted a jury trial is scheduled for January, an autopsy and toxicology have been ordered for an accident, will be gone October 7-12, will attend child support training along with Stacy Gappa.

Road Secretary Simpson reviewed the September Road Payroll/Claims: Accounts Payable \$184,389.64, Payroll \$55,127.94; larger expenses include diesel, gravel, repair, parts, signs, concrete, side dump trailer, rock; \$146,520.48 transferred from General, Buyback funds \$297,872.14, Highway Allocation for September is \$81,117.23, \$10,575 Bond Money used.

Brittany Thompson from the Sheriff's office asked for an increase of the petty cash fund from \$50 to \$100 to cover the cost of postage. Cullers moved to approve Resolution 19-19 increasing the petty cash fund, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

On recommendation of Road Superintendent Meyer, Waldmann moved to approve Easement 19-432 for NE Central Telephone, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Waldmann moved to approve Easements 19-433, 19-434 and 19-435 for the City of Ord and to waive the easement deposits, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Meyer's general report included: painting stripes, still looking for enough beads; damage on road by Ron Kallhoff repaired; working on Burwell Arcadia Road; pulling shoulders; NEMA and FEMA conducted site inspections.

Weed Superintendent Kaminski reported on conducting inspections for phragmites on the rivers, a few spots will have to be sprayed, lots of debris on the rivers.

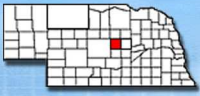
Hospital CEO, Nancy Glaubke, noted a disaster drill was conducted; a new call light system was approved, old system software not supported; Celebrate Being A Woman will be October 8; Jeff Breitreutz's retirement party will be October 22; Cheryl Swett was named employee of the year; will be purchasing one of the rented buildings in Loup City, Supervisors support the purchase. Hospital CFO, Ashley Woodward, reviewed the financial and statistical information: the annual audit will be presented to the Board in November; home health software will be updated; daily census up; lab bottom line good; Heritage up; radiology up, gross patient revenue up; salaries up; benefits in line with the budget; supplies expenses up; net income just below the budget.

Chairman Sevenker opened the Hearing to set Final Tax Request at 10:00 a.m., no public comment. Resolution 19-17, setting the Property Tax Request, was approved on motion of Cullers, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker closed the Final Tax Request Hearing.

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

The NIRMA Self Defense for County Officials Conference, NIRMA Annual Membership Meeting and NACO Legislative Conference were noted. NEMA has granted a six-month extension until March 21, 2020 for all DR-4420-NE categories A and B debris removal and emergency protective measures projects.

September claims and fund request in the amount of \$567,014.72, approved on motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Resolution 19-20 allowing the County Treasurer and County Clerk to transfer funds from the Inheritance Tax Fund to the General Fund if insufficient collections are made in September to meet expenditures was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.



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NET's road trip will be in Ord from September 27 to October 2, the NDEE construction and operating permit for phased construction for the Hackel Cattle Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation, and NE Thriving Index were noted. Waldmann made the motion to approve the request from Ord High School to use the Courthouse steps for a pep rally October 11 at 2:00 p.m., second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. Clerk Musil will find out the cost of membership for the Central NE Economic Development District.

Cullers reported on the round table discussion at the Central District meeting: Counties cannot give employees bonuses, the Legislature would have to change legislation to allow Counties to collect a sales tax if a city sales tax is in place, the Corp of Engineers is concentrating on checking the Missouri river instead of checking other rivers. The Courthouse security system will be discussed at the next meeting. VanSlyke said Region 26 is trying to develop a system to tie together all cell phones statewide in case of a disaster.

Mail Folder: Wozab Thank You

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m., to reconvene on October 8, at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the September 24 meeting and an agenda for the October 8 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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# Valley County Board Minutes



## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 8, 2019 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. The minutes of the September 25 meeting were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Agenda adopted on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall of Boardroom, public copies available on the counter. There was no public comment.

Meyer's General Report included: finishing the Burwell Arcadia Road; road striping finished; fixing one truck in the shop; bought dump truck at an auction; hauling dirt; will start the White bridge next week; bought a used truck to pull the side dump; the FEMA program manager is not returning calls or emails; the State took dirt from the County right-of-way without permission, Hooker Brothers has not paid for the dirt.

At 9:40 a.m. Baker moved to go into closed session for job performance evaluation and discussion to prevent needless injury to the reputation of an individual, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. The closed session concluded at 10:01 a.m. No action was taken.

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

The County Clerk and Clerk of District Court monthly fee reports were reviewed. Clerk Musil reported that a transfer from the Inheritance Fund to the General Fund was not necessary in September.

Treasurer Suminski reviewed the Month End Fund Report collections and balances for September, General balance \$297,899.95, Road \$755,441.39, Relief \$53,857.98, Inheritance \$446,315.02. Total collected \$2,236,613. Misc. Receipts folder available for review.

The NACO Legislative Conference on October 10 was noted. Rooms for the Annual NACO Conference, December 11-13, have been reserved, if not attending rooms need to be dropped by November 27.

Water leaked through the ceiling of the County Courtroom on the second floor, the company that updated the Courthouse plumbing could not determine if the water came from an open sink valve in the restroom off the Jury Room, the handles have been removed from the sink, there are two other sinks in the room, the restroom is used by Probation when drug tests are conducted. Tami Fox, Probation secretary, reported that classes will be conducted on Monday and Wednesday nights for three months.

The fee to join the Central NE Economic Development District from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 would be \$2,233.50, would not be prorated, will readdress joining in May 2020. VanSlyke left the meeting at 10:50 a.m. Terms for leasing Mortensen Development Site Lots were reviewed, will discuss further with County Attorney Clark at next meeting.

Purchase of a used truck for the Roads Department for \$22,700 was included in the Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$51,612.10 which were approved on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

DeRiso moved to purchase a security system for the Courthouse, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

At 11:00 a.m. Baker moved to go into Board of Equalization, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. The Clerk and Assessor were present.

A correction of the Ord SD#5 valuation was noted. Following review of the calculated levies, Cullers moved to adopt Resolution 19-21 approving the levies for FY 19-20 as calculated by the Treasurer, Assessor and Clerk, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. Tax List Correction 3854 for Marvin Scheideler, homestead exemption rejected due to income over the statutory limit, was approved on motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

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



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The Cost Allocation Plan prepared by Don Workman of MAXIMUS for Title IV-D child support was approved on motion of Waldmann, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

Custodian Vanek will lead the Open Discussion “Share and Exchange Ideas About Specific Issues in Your Buildings” at the October 17 NACO Maintenance Exchange Workshop in Wayne. The Extension Office will advertise for an Extension Board vacancy. The request of Kathy Knapp to use the Courthouse steps/lawn for the FCCLA Halloween Parade at 4:00 p.m. on Oct. 31, was approved on motion of Waldmann, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

Cullers reported that Benefit Management will conduct a survey of employees to determine interest in the County partially funding family health insurance coverage after renewal of the County insurance.

The Board adjourned to the jail for the quarterly inspection.

Mail Folder items: none

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m., to reconvene on October 29, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the October 8 meeting and an agenda for the October 29 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete meeting minutes are also available for public inspection on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 29, 2019 in the Courthouse Boardroom. Pledge of Allegiance recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. Minutes of October 8 meeting were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Abstain: VanSlyke (absent for half of meeting). Absent: none. The agenda was adopted on motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies on counter. No public comment.

Road Secretary Simpson presented the October Claims Report including: Accounts Payable \$148,110.55, Payroll \$49,891.48; larger expenses include diesel, tires, paint beads, parts, equipment rental, engineering services, oil, gravel, sand, highway paint; \$93,280.23 transferred from General, \$297,872.14 Buyback funds, Highway Allocation \$83,195.68, Motor Vehicle Fees \$18,391.79 and Bridge Match \$119,568.11. After reviewing the State forms, VanSlyke moved to sign Resolution 19-22 authorizing the County Board Chairman to sign the Certification of Program Compliance Form 2019, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Waldmann moved to sign the Certification of Program Compliance to NE Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Cetak moved to sign the Road and Bridge Contracts Report noting no contract projects costing in excess of \$20,000 were completed this FY, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Addendum-LB904 showing that Valley County does not have a Local Option Sales Tax was signed on the motion of DeRiso, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Cullers made the motion to sign the Certification that design, construction and maintenance of roads, streets and highways and revenue expenditures have met standards of the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Road Superintendent Meyer's General Report included: Burwell Arcadia road done; started White bridge, REA moved powerline; cleaning ditches; hauling dirt; minimum maintenance roads not done, will try to work on this winter; hosting motor grader course for Garfield County, 40 attending; received \$658 for purchase of impact wrenches from NIRMA.

Hospital CEO Nancy Glaubke reported that 275 women attended Celebrate Being a Woman, Jeff Breitreutz retired, Cheryl Swett represented VCHS at the Caring Kind Awards Luncheon, moving forward with purchase of Loup City rehab building, renting Loup City Clinic at a lower rate. CFO Ashley Woodward presented the monthly financials: census in line with budget, lab busy, radiology up, Home Health down, revenue up, salaries down, benefits down, expenses up, bonds at \$11.4 million, hosted the State Economic Development Board.

Waldmann made the motion to allow the Ord Area Chamber of Commerce to use the courthouse sidewalk and lawn for the WinterFest Snowball Drop on November 30 and post a WinterFest banner on the lawn, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. Kristina Foth presented guidelines for Valley County Tourism's Destination Development Fund which is a grant for public or non-profit organizations to develop tourism, pays 25% of capital improvement project costs, applications will be reviewed quarterly by the Tourism Committee. Kelli VanSlyke resigned from the Tourism Committee, trying to find someone from the Arcadia area to fill the position. Any Chamber member can serve on the Chamber Board, eight current members' term will continue in 2020, option to fill eight additional seats.

VanSlyke moved to adopt the Mortensen Site Lease Terms as presented by County Attorney Clark, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Clark will organize a mock trial for County Government Day on November 26.

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

At 10:55 a.m., the Board of Equalization convened on motion of DeRiso, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. The Assessor, Clerk and Treasurer were present.



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Treasurer Suminski presented a Motor Vehicle Exemption Application from Mid-Nebraska Individual Services. Cullers moved to approve the application, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Assessor Waltman presented Tax List Corrections #3855 for James Lech and #3856 for Ross Cone, items were sold at an auction. Corrections approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Waltman also presented Tax List Correction #3857 for Brooke Worden, moved modular to Loup County which was approved on motion of Cullers, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Waltman presented a report of levies for 2019 to 2020 for the Board to review, all levies increased.

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

Dustin Will from Benefit Management presented information about the County employee health insurance plan; current BlueFreedom Option 66 plan will increase 66.95%, not acceptable, will continue to negotiate, another option would be United Health Care, will survey employees to determine interest in family coverage, continue discussion to next meeting.

Carrie Hurlburt and Mike Bloomfield from Colonial Life explained the available Dental Insurance; can take coverage with them if leave employment with County, coverage to age 75, never any rate increase, pays preventative care 100%, rollover benefit to next year if not used, no waiting period. Also presented Hospital Confinement Indemnity Insurance, covers medicals costs not covered by health insurance.

Received dividend of \$4,138 from NIRMA.

October Claims and Fund Request were reviewed and approved in the amount of \$505,389.68, on motion of Cullers, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

The Department of Environment and Energy Construction and Operating Permit for JNR Farms, Inc; General Permit for Operations Confining Cattle for Triple T Farms and Approval to Operate LWCF for Hackel Cattle were noted.

Sevenker reported that Building and Grounds purchased a 4-wheeler with blade to move snow. Cullers reported for Region 3, NE Strong is providing counseling for people impacted by the flooding, have used 24% of their budget. Cullers also reported that the balance of the Wozab fund is \$1,286,467.03.

Mail Folder items: none

At 12:40 p.m. the meeting adjourned to reconvene on November 12, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the October 29 meeting and an agenda for the November 12 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes are also available on the County website, [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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

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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, November 12, 2019 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present. The Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. DeRiso moved to approve the October 29, 2019 minutes, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. The agenda was adopted on motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted the Open Meetings Act is posted and public copies are available. No public comment.

Extension Educator Kayla Hinrichs presented an Extension Board Application from Natalie Kovarik for a 3 year term on the Central IV Area Extension Board. After reviewing the application Cetak moved to appoint Kovarik; second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Rooms and registrations for the December NACO convention must be canceled by November 27 to avoid fees. A color flier listing the lease terms for a Mortensen Development site designed by Amber Whited was reviewed.

Baker moved to sign Resolution 19-23 authorizing the County Board Chairman to sign the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent Form 2019, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

Road Superintendent Meyer's General Report included: White bridge is partially finished, must maintain a temperature above 50 degrees for 72 hours after concrete is poured, inspects site every two days; maintaining roads; treated paved roads after recent snow; fixing roads; installing culverts; hauling dirt; no resolution with Hooker Brothers concerning dirt taken from County right-of-way without permission; working on minimum maintenance roads; mowing roadsides; will start bridge inspections. A letter will be sent to NDOT concerning the unsafe intersection at Ashton Ave. and Hwy. 11 west of North Loup.

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

DeRiso made the motion to sign the Hospital License Renewal Application, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

Treasurer Suminski presented the Month End Fund Report: General Fund balance \$54,119.94, Road \$776,215.06, Relief \$53,286.59, Inheritance \$461,776.53, total collected \$652,900. Pledge security was released for First National Bank. Distress Warrants were delivered to the Sheriff for collection, 27 Warrants for a total of \$13,440.52. Each County has been asked to raise \$125 for the One Heart Campaign to celebrate the 125<sup>th</sup> NACO conference to be presented to the staff of the Younes Center for their commitment to ensuring the venue is ready for the conference, discussion of the fundraiser was continued to the next Board meeting after concerns were expressed at recipient of money. The Misc. Receipts Folder was available for review.

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

Rates for the Colonial Life Group Medical Bridge were reviewed, will discuss at next meeting. A memo from Dustin Will, Benefit Management, reported continued conversations with Blue Cross about adjusting their offer for County health insurance coverage, no counter offer to original renewal; considering recommendation to move plan to United Healthcare; having conversations with employees currently on County plan that are Medicare eligible about transitioning to Medicare; will survey employees to provide feedback on choice of options if full family coverage was offered; will attend November 26 Board meeting.

The Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$28,235.09 were approved on motion of Cullers, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

The December 31 Board meeting will not be changed to a different date. Cullers will talk to Road Department Secretary Simpson about starting the process for NDOT reimbursement for flood damage. Grant applications awarding \$2.2 million are being accepted by the USDA for recovery from flood damages, eligible applicants include municipalities, public bodies, nonprofit organizations and federally recognized Native American tribes in rural areas with a population of 20,000 or less; Cullers will look into the grant. A letter from NE Attorney General Doug Peterson regarding the status of the national litigation against opioid manufacturers and distributors was reviewed.



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County Attorney Clark reported there will be a mock trial for County Government Day on November 26. Clark received a certified letter from Frontier advising that employees of Valley County damaged a Frontier cable while replacing a culvert.

Cullers made a motion to designate the Ord Quiz and Grand Island Independent as official County newspapers for 2020, Waldmann second. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

VanSlyke moved to appoint Treasurer Suminski to act as the County designee for the election of NACO officers if County Board Chair Sevenker is not available, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Mail Folder items: Re-Cap.

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m., to reconvene on November 26, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the November 12 meeting and an agenda for the November 26 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, December 10, 2019 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present. Absent: Cetak (excused). Clerk verified meeting notice published; agenda posted. DeRiso said the November 26 minutes need to be corrected to reflect that he did not attend the Mid-Plains meeting because the meetings have been changed to 1:00 p.m. and are no longer at night. DeRiso moved to approve the corrected minutes of November 26, 2019 Board meeting, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Cetak. Waldmann moved to adopt the agenda, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Cetak. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies available. There was no public comment.

The letter received from the NDOT in response to the letter sent by the Board about safety concerns for the intersection on the west edge of North Loup where Ashton Ave. joins Hwy. 11, the intersection will not be the finished product, corrections will be made in the spring. Road Superintendent Meyer stated that the lights are too high to provide good light. Meyer's General Report included: deck was poured for the White bridge, digging the pit for the tie backs, County will haul dirt for the approaches, take the shoe fly out, make the bridge passable, finish dirt work in spring; working on road cave in; plowed snow; will do sign inventory; replacing 911 signs, order blanks to face old signs; snowplow damaged wall and door of County shop; done with bridge inspections; maintained Canal Road. The Clerk received a call from FEMA, information for the shoe fly has been submitted, working on information to submit road repairs.

Weed Superintendent Darrell Kaminski presented the 2020 Weed Control Plan for review, will go on the radio to caution landowners to be careful while spraying; Mark Sintek is no longer with NRCS, will find out who is the replacement; weed infestation has decreased, lowered spurge acres, Method is working well.

Brittany from the Sheriff's office presented a proposal to establish an inmate commissary to purchase snacks and personal care items, no outside items would be used by the inmates, funds generated would be used by the Sheriff's office to upgrade windows and exercise equipment, startup funds would come from the budget, open separate checking account, make sure acceptable to auditors. The security system is here, trying to get government rate for sim cards for texting. There are issues with the Sheriff's office remodel, nothing is straight or level, problems with fire doors, inferior work, County Attorney Clark looking into recourse with contractor.

Board recessed at 10:05 a.m. and reconvened at 10:10 a.m. with Cetak absent.

Guy Brock presented a letter he has sent to Ord Mayor Petska informing the City of Ord that a petition initiative will be introduced to the voters of Ord to be placed on the November 2020 ballot requiring the City to contract with Valley County to provide law enforcement services to Ord, would save taxes, would like assistance from the County and City to draft the initiative, the new City administration has made some positive changes. Board needs to know how this would affect the budget for the Sheriff's office, in the past the City did not want the Sheriff in charge of City law enforcement. Baker asked if taxes would be lowered or the savings used for something else, would like all voters of the County to have a vote on the decision.

Jessica reported for Healing Hearts and Families; provides juvenile services; five clients from Valley County in past year; served 111 youth; referrals come from the County Attorney; one-on-one diversion program; non-profit, relies on grants, takes time to receive funds. Cullers moved to sign the 2020 Memorandum of Understanding for community based juvenile services, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

In the absence of Treasurer Suminski the Month End Fund Report was reviewed: General Fund balance \$0.00, Road \$656,221.72, Relief \$52,556.69, Inheritance \$249,184.37, total collected \$600,087. Two pledge securities released for Valley County NEB GO REF BDS and one for Federal Home Loan. The 2019 levy comparison was reviewed. Resolution 19-25, designating depositories the County Treasurer may use, was approved on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Cetak. The Misc. Receipts Folder was available for review.

The County Clerk and Clerk of District Court monthly fee reports were reviewed. The Clerk reported that \$206,479.99 was transferred from the Inheritance Fund to the General Fund in November. The Clerk signed the



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Subaward between the NE Department of Health and Human Services and Valley County for a cooperative arrangement to provide assistance with child support enforcement.

A Memo received from Benefit Management explained that the first month's premium for United Healthcare must be paid in December, no premium owed in January. The Board discussed paying part of the premium for spousal coverage, coverage with children and full family coverage, \$30,000 in budget to subsidize 2020 costs, not sure if the additional funds will be available in future years to subsidize premiums, financial future too uncertain, will revisit next year.

County Attorney Clark felt that consolidation of County and City law enforcement is best handled through an Interlocal agreement, people elect the officials and the officials should make the decision. The DNA evidence collected for the Hansen case could not convict him, the State lab took from April to October to get the results; the judge granted the defense \$2,000 for an expert witness to testify, the prosecution would have to pay the same amount for their expert witness for rebuttal, all paid by County; will find out cost of sending DNA to a private lab for better testing. There will be a trial starting on January 6.

The Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$53,622.35 were approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

The list of 2020 State and Federal Holidays observed by the County was approved on motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

The renewal rates for Principal dental, vision, critical illness and accident coverage were reviewed, only dental rates are changing. Presentation and discussion of the nomination of the Arcadia Township Carnegie Library for the National Register of Historic Places will be at the NE State Historic Preservation Board meeting on January 17 at 1:00 p.m. The property schedules for Location, Mobile Equipment and Vehicles were discussed and reviewed for accuracy by the County department heads to start the 2020 annual insurance renewal process, needed changes were made.

The doors and locks need to be changed so the Assessor's office will have a window in their office door so it can be shut to keep their office warmer, Sevenker will look at the doors. Cullers shared that Law Enforcement Day is January 9 and the Courthouse will be 100 years old in September 2020.

Mail Folder items: Ord Area Chamber of Commerce Thank You.

Meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m., to reconvene on December 31, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the December 10, 2019 meeting and an agenda for the December 31, 2019 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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

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Paula Musil, Valley County Clerk