



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 12, 2021 in the District Courtroom, Supervisor Cullers acting Chairman. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Cullers asked the County Clerk to take roll call: Baker, Cullers, DeRiso, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; absent Cetak (excused) and Sevenker (excused). Nominations for Chairperson and Vice Chairperson were called for: VanSlyke moved to retain Sevenker for Board Chairperson and Cullers for Board Vice Chairperson, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Cetak and Sevenker. Clerk verified meeting notice published in the Ord Quiz on December 16, 2020 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. DeRiso moved to approve minutes of December 29, 2020, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Cetak and Sevenker. The agenda was adopted on motion of Waldmann, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Cetak and Sevenker. Cullers noted Open Meetings act posted on east wall, public copies available. There was no public comment.

Baker moved to appoint Jay T. Meyer, License #S-1162 Class A as the employed Highway Superintendent beginning January 12, 2021, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Cetak and Sevenker. Resolution 21-01, authorizing the County Highway Department to erect and maintain signs designating restrictions to County Highways when necessary was approved on motion of Waldmann, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: Cetak and Sevenker. DeRiso moved to deposit payments received from FEMA in the FEMA Relief Fund to be transferred to the General Fund as needed, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: Baker. Absent: Cetak and Sevenker.

Road Superintendent Meyer's General Report included: snowblower back in service; truck repaired; will add extensions to culvert near Trevor Petska; will receive \$62,000 from Bridge Match program, work cost less than estimate, reimbursement less, resolution to approve payment at next meeting.

Weed Superintendent Kaminski presented and reviewed the 2020 Year End Reports and the 2021 Noxious Weed Plan; increased acres of musk thistle, leafy spurge declining. Sevenker arrived at 9:25 a.m. VanSlyke moved to approve the 2020 Infestation Report and Activity Report, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Cetak. The 2021 Board Roster, Budget Form and Noxious Weed Control Plan were approved on motion of Baker, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

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.

In the absence of Treasurer Brott, the Fund Balance Report for December was reviewed, \$238,566.60 General, \$111,107.02 Road, \$130,082.49 Inheritance, \$55,868.96 Debt Service (bonds), \$2,489.526 total collected. The 2020 levy comparison was reviewed. Pledge Security for First National Bank was released. Pie charts showing 2020 tax levy distributions were reviewed. The Semi-Annual Fund Balance report was reviewed and published as required.

County Attorney Haberstick will have an opinion concerning the use of the Courthouse lawn at the next meeting. The Marvin Wilson Trust property described as N50' of L15 and L16 Sunrise Addition has been referred for tax foreclosure, property has no value to the County, will ask adjacent landowners if they are interested in property.

The meeting recessed at 10:00 a.m. and reconvened at 10:25 a.m. with Cetak absent.

The Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$30,444.06 were approved on motion of DeRiso, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

VanSlyke moved that the 2021 Board committees and representatives appointments remain the same as 2020 with the addition of CNEDD representative John DeRiso and Steffan Baker alternate, second Sevenker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Cetak. VanSlyke moved to sign the Memorandum of Appointment for the County Physician, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: Cetak. The Annual County Officers Signatures and Seals Report was signed. The County Audit was handed out, will act on at next meeting.

Sevenker moved to designate the County website as a method to provide notice of Board meetings, second Baker. Carried: Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Cetak. Waldmann



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made the motion to offer 80 hours of paid sick for COVID-19-related reasons to any employee who has not used this benefit, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Cetak. The retirement of Larry Dix from NACO and MIPS was noted. The Sheriff's Quarterly Report was reviewed, estimates will be obtained for replacement of jail windows.

At 11:00 a.m. the Public Hearing was opened to allow residents the opportunity to speak for or against the lease of the County owned real estate with Aaron Jacobs, James Knapp, Cole Baker and Jeremy Shoemaker in attendance. Sevenker stated that water costs are \$61 per acre. Knapp said that the pump and pipe on the East County Farm belong to him, he appreciated renting the properties for many years. The Hearing was closed at 11:15 a.m. with no objections to renting the properties.

Jeremy Shoemaker opened the bidding on the Mortensen Farm containing 46.94 irrigated acres at \$9,000, Cole Baker bid \$10,000; after a series of bids between Shoemaker and Baker, Baker declined to raise Shoemaker's bid of \$15,250. Sevenker moved to accept Shoemaker's bid of \$15,250, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

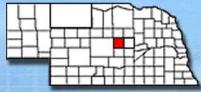
Cole Baker for Baker Ag started bidding on the East Farm at \$22,050, there were no other bids. Baker moved to accept the bid of Baker Ag, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

The Board adjourned to the jail for the quarterly inspection.

At 11:35 a.m. the meeting adjourned to reconvene on January 26, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the January 12 meeting and an agenda for the January 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.

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Road Secretary Simpson reviewed January road claims including: diesel, loader and grader payments, oil, parts, gravel, accounts payable \$160,515.81, payroll \$47,256.67, highway allocation \$79,168.87, motor vehicle fees \$16,719.47, gravel budget over. Baker arrived at 9:10 a.m.

Bridge Match projects were completed for less than estimated, receive less from State, allowed contingency amount, will receive \$77,942, resolution needed to receive funds. Waldmann moved to approve Resolution 21-3 certifying proper completion of project, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Road Superintendent Meyer's General Report included: pushed snow; salted roads; working on trailer and truck; found new source of salt at Neligh, less corrosive; truck upset during storm, hoist pin broken, will check on insurance.

Attorney Haberstick could not attend meeting. DeRiso reported that owner of Marvin Wilson property believed the land referred for foreclosure was part of his property, continued to next meeting.

January Claims and Fund Request were reviewed. The Fund Request was approved in the amount of \$523,833.50 on the motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. VanSlyke moved to approve Resolution 21-2 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 January, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Baker moved to accept Wozab Fund Applications from February 8 through March 15, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. The applications will be advertised February 3, 10, and 17, the meeting to award the Wozab funds will be at the end of March, \$31,720.59 is available to be awarded.

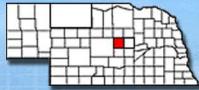
Hospital CFO Ashley Woodward presented the Hospital Report and monthly financials: number of people utilizing test Nebraska has decreased; administering second round of COVID vaccine to employees, over 50% elected to receive vaccine; Dr. Katie Ward will be replacing Dr. Schneider August 22; Drive-thru for meals for Gala was held, online silent auctions; unknown if some COVID funds can be kept; volume down, hopefully specialty clinic schedules will be back to normal by end of January; CT scans down; MRIs up; Home Health busy; revenue down; interest income minimal; COVID payroll protection funds kept employees employed when specialty clinics and surgeries were limited.

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

After review of the County Audit for FY 19-20, VanSlyke moved to accept the results and ask the auditors to attend a Board meeting to explain the audit, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

The formal notice of the retirement of Walter Smith, Valley County Veterans Service Officer, effective January 29, 2021 was accepted on the motion of Cetak, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

A letter received from Donna and Carl Streeter regarding employees from the Assessor's office on their property to measure the house and garage, accused employees of looking in the windows, employees by house to get accurate measurement. Sevenker reported that County Attorney Haberstick felt a 1977 Attorney General's opinion that the County Assessor has the right to go onto real estate for assessment purposes is valid. Assessor Waltman said in the future, her office will try to contact the owner of a new house before assessment.



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Sevenker will contact Senator Tom Briese to ascertain his opinion on LB310 to reduce the inheritance tax over a several-year period. The NPDES general permit for operations confining cattle for Big E'Z Backgrounding, Inc. and retirement of NACO Executive Director, Larry Dix, were reviewed. LB102 transferring duties of ex officio Clerks of the District Court to the Judicial Branch was discussed, will obtain more information.

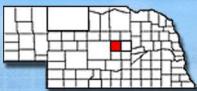
At 11:05 a.m. the Board of Equalization was convened on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. The Clerk was present. The Motor Vehicle Application for Exemption by Qualifying Nonprofit Organization for Heartland Assembly of God was approved on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. The Board moved back into regular session at 11:08 a.m. on motion of VanSlyke, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Sevenker reported that office used by the Sheriff and deputies needs better lighting. Cullers reported for Region 3; spent half of the budget, Cullers resigned from the executive board. Cullers also reported for the Wozab Fund; beginning balance \$1,316,199.34, ending balance \$1,375,773.43,

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m., to reconvene on February 9, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the January 26, 2021 meeting and an agenda for the February 9, 2021 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes are also available on the County Website, www.co.valley.ne.us.

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Road Superintendent Meyer's General Report included: passed around sample of new salt, mixture of vodka, rum and beet juice, reduces corrosion by 80%, leaves brown residue, mix two scoops of ice gravel to one scoop of salt, use less; pushed snow; received \$276,556.13 from FEMA; will receive Federal buy back funds in March; damage to the truck that turned over appears to be minimal.

The Clerk of District Court fee report for January was reviewed, will present County Clerk report at next meeting. The Clerk reported that a transfer from the Inheritance Fund to the General Fund was not necessary in January. Pledge security of \$530,000 from First National Bank was noted.

Treasurer Brott presented the Fund Balance Report for January: \$156,522.76 General, \$118,118.79 Road, \$138,533.02 Inheritance, \$66,058.10 Debt Serv. (bonds), \$102,469.62 State reimbursement to County for Personal and Real Estate Tax Credits. The delinquent tax list will be published for 3 weeks as required; the tax sale will be March 1.

Board agreed to place an ad in the Ord Quiz to congratulate Walt Smith on his years of service and request a card shower of well wishes.

Kristina Foth and Katie Walmsley presented the Tourism Bi-Annual report: to date lodging tax collections for 2020 total \$29,558, over 2019 collections with one month to go; received \$8,250 grant, will use for advertising; looking into registering downtown district of Ord as historic district, building not subject to restrictions if designated, will talk to owners, need background of each building, Valley County Historical Society expressed interest in helping with project, owner can apply for tax credit on income tax. Valley County Economic Development will hold a strategic planning session to identify needs and priorities of development with interlocal agreement partners, Nebraska Public Power District will facilitate the session, Board representatives Waldmann and Piskorski will attend, VanSlyke agreed to attend to represent the Arcadia area.

The meeting recessed at 10:00 a.m. and reconvened at 10:15 a.m. with Baker leaving at 10:10 a.m.

Randy Tonniges will attend the next meeting to present the audit. Sevenker emailed State Senator Briese concerning LB310 to reduce the inheritance tax, received no response, table until next meeting.

Due to a clerical error, the claims for the first meeting in January were included in the Fund Request approved at the last meeting in January, request \$30,444.06 long, funds still in the bank, amount is enough to pay first meeting claims, no Fund Request needed. Following review, claims in the amount of \$29,993.09 were approved on motion of Cetak, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker.

The NIRMA 21/22 Underwriting Questionnaire and National County Government Month in April were reviewed. Financial Interest forms are due March 1. The Board will meet in the County Boardroom again starting on February 23.

Cullers reported for Region 3, expenditures for 2020 were \$15,093,501, 10,369 individuals served. VanSlyke report for Region 26, two people now on call to meet service needs, worried about fires due to dry conditions.

Cory Steel, Administrative Office of the Courts & Probation, joined the Board by teleconference to discuss consolidation of the Clerk Magistrate and Clerk of the District Court: 5 counties have consolidated; assume duties of court, one court office; look at caseloads for past few years to determine staffing, Valley District Court and County Court caseloads call for full staffing; agreement with State for portion of salary, all benefits provided by State, Valley County portion would be 25% of salary and State 75%, cost to County would be \$14,000 for salary. If LB102 which is a mandate for the State to take over the ex officio offices of District Court passes, the State would fully fund the Court office at no cost to the counties. After the conclusion of the teleconference, the Board visited with Clerk Magistrate Roberta Meschke; judges open to taking on District Court, would like to staff 32 hours a week, hiring assistant clerk,



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would staff according to agreement with the State. Will continue discussion at next meeting after gathering more information.

The Board of Equalization was convened at 11:23 a.m. on motion of Cetak, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker. The Assessor and Clerk were present.

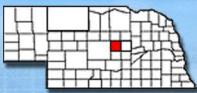
Tax List Correction #3873 for Bradley and Deborah Nagorski and Sharilyn Nagorski due to clerical error was approved on motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Baker.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m., to reconvene on February 23, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the February 9 meeting and an agenda for the February 23 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes are also available on the County website, www.co.valley.ne.us.

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Road Secretary Simpson reviewed February claims, noting the larger expenses; salt, repairs, parts, blades, oil, cold planner payment, diesel; accounts payable \$44,432.40, payroll \$49,445.25, no transfer from General Fund; received highway allocation of \$74,037.31, incentive payment of \$9,000. Road Superintendent Meyer reported the blackslicer salt is made from vodka and rum by products, use half the rate, more effective, does not cake. Waldmann moved to set the time and date for the public hearing on the One and Six Road Plans to March 30 at 9:15 a.m., second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer's General Report included: receive \$67,524.23 from the State for Bridge Match instead of \$77,942 as previous mentioned; moved snow; doing repairs in shop; submitting estimate for damage on truck to insurance, refacing 911 signs; repairing equipment; burn waste oil to heat shop, saves money.

The County Clerk fee report for January was reviewed, Cullers noted a discrepancy on the report, report was corrected.

Ashley Allen, Secretary for County Sheriff, stated that United Healthcare is difficult to work with; some employees not receiving benefits; long wait to talk to anyone at United Healthcare; refused MRI requested by physician for Sheriff Hurlburt. Dan Duran, Benefit Management, joined the meeting by telephone; doctor must file the appeal; will help with issues. Allen will check to see if doctor filed the appeal.

Baker left the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

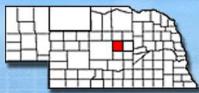
CEO Nancy Glaubke and CFO Ashley Woodward presented the monthly Hospital Report. Glaubke reported that light force laser therapy has provided relief to some patients; chemical analyzer went down, hard drive crashed, look at replacing; Bob Riley, PA, will retire next year; reviewing strategic plan. Woodward presented the financial information: starting budget process; census down; labs up; CT scans, MRI, nuclear medicine up; Home Health up; gross patient revenue down; benefits down; received \$12,500 from government for purchase of respirator; considering paying down a bond; COVID numbers are down.

Randy Tonniges reviewed the 2019-2020 audit report, not financially possible to train two people to cover a position; important to review budget at June meeting, amend budget if necessary; did not see any issue with budget.

Jessica, Healing Hearts and Families, reported adding four counties; more numbers in Valley County, County Attorney uses services a lot; most kids finish program. Cullers moved to sign the Memorandum of Understanding for 2021 Community-Based Juvenile Services Aid, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker.

A recess was called at 10:45 a.m., meeting reconvened at 10:55 a.m. with Baker absent.

County Attorney Haberstick stated opinion that a nativity scene close to a government building is open to liability, could look like endorsing one religion over another, perhaps sign stating erected by Ministerial Association would help, will continue research; still looking into Wilson foreclosure, cleaner title if purchased at Sheriff's sale, immediate action not needed; requested that Attorney General's office review evidence in Psota case, perhaps take over. Sevenker has not received reply from Senator Briese concerning LB310 to reduce inheritance tax, continue discussion. Haberstick not in favor of consolidation of County Court and District Court; annual agreement; Cullers called Polk County, clerk said it works well, not significant financial savings. Clerk Musil said no schedule posted for Valley County Court; District Court staffed full-time; have received applications for District Court Clerk; if courts consolidated would not hire another employee for County Clerk. Sevenker asked if LB102 passed could courts be consolidated in one County, Haberstick feels this is possible; NACO opposes LB102. County Court not staffed full-time, public expects District Court to answer questions; County Court hiring assistant; County would not receive child



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support reimbursement for District Court; District Court operation cost would be in County budget. Cullers moved to fill the District Court position in the Clerk's office, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker. Haberstick said would take Blaine County Attorney position if it becomes available, not open at this time, plans to stay in Valley County; frustration with law enforcement, warrant depends on availability of Judge. DeRiso questioned \$1,800 from autopsy costs, County burial was approved, Clerk will check if claim should be taken from different line item.

Cetak moved to set date and time for Wozab meeting as March 30 at 11:30 a.m., second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Baker.

After review the February Claims and Fund Request were approved in the amount of \$249,551.67, on motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Baker. Cullers moved to approve Resolution 21-4 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 January, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Baker.

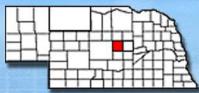
Waldmann moved to accept the offer of a one-year free membership with the Nebraska Chamber of Commerce and Industry, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Baker. The CNHED Regional Land Banking, Region 26 Council minutes and retirement of Pete Eiden, NIRMA Property/Liability Claims Manager were reviewed.

VanSlyke reported two counties leaving Region 26, two other counties may be joining. DeRiso reported audit reviewed at Mid-Plains meeting. Cetak reported Mid-Nebraska having in-person meeting in March.

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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 9, 2021 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 in the Ord Quiz on February 17, 2021 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. The minutes of February 23 were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Cullers moved to adopt the agenda, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted; public copies available. No Public Comment offered.

Road Superintendent Meyer's General Report included: patched oil roads, hope no restrictions required; will treat around bridges; maintaining roads; two employees recertified to use chemicals; sign in shop audits completed; finished sign inventory; insurance totaled out truck that was laid on side, paid \$12,000 for truck, valued at \$21,200 now, buy back for \$5,585, receive check from insurance for \$1,500, full coverage should end the day truck was totaled out and liability should start that day, may make into water truck; state surplus now online, look at website every day before it is inventoried, if online anyone can buy.

VanSlyke made the motion to approve the Employment Contract of Weed Superintendent Kaminski, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Cullers moved to approve Resolution 21-5 authorizing Weed Superintendent Kaminski, the County Board and County Attorney to act as the Weed Control Authority, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

The County Clerk and Clerk of the District Court February Fee Reports were reviewed, County Clerk's report showed an adjustment for overpayment to the Treasurer in January due to a document recorded with a fee that should have been no charge. The Clerk reported that a transfer from the Inheritance Fund to the General Fund was not necessary in February. Pledge security from First National Bank was noted.

Sevenker received a response from a representative of Senator Briese, concerned about impact of LB310 to reduce the inheritance tax, force property tax increase, state needs to replace revenue, currently holding discussions in Revenue Committee. Baker stated that taxes have already been paid, now have to pay another tax. Cullers said estate planning has eliminated the tax in many cases. Sevenker will respond to Briese, not all members of the Board agree on the tax. Further information was received concerning LB102 which transfers duties of the Clerks of the District Court to the State, unknown what Judiciary Committee will do, full time CDCs are willing to aid ex officios with questions.

Meeting recessed at 10:00 a.m. and reconvened at 10:15 a.m. with all members present.

Following review, the Fund Request and Claims in the amount of \$33,747.94 were approved on motion of Cullers, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

The following informational items were reviewed: NACO Central District Meeting March 18 in Aurora; NACO County Budget Workshop May 13 in North Platte and May 14 in Columbus and CNEDD parcel-level broadband data, Cullers will post signs about participating in the broadband speed test. Waldmann moved to nominate Alma Beland for Emergency Management Professional of the Year and Scott Philbrick for Emergency Management Support Professional, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. The FSA Base and Yield Notifications split out the County farms with two operators instead of one as there was in the past, no action needed by the County. Baker made the motion to allow Cullers to post a sign on the Courthouse lawn for the Methodist Women's pick-up lunch on March 25, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

VanSlyke reported for Region 26, only one county considered leaving Region 26 but voted not to leave, Waldmann attend the last meeting for VanSlyke.

Meeting recessed at 10:40 a.m. and reconvened at 10:55 a.m. with all members present.

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



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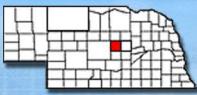
Tax List Correction #3874 for Yum Eatery & Lounge due to property sold was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: None.

The Board moved back into regular session at 11:05 a.m. on motion of DeRiso, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Mail Folder item: NIRMA 2020 Annual Report

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m., to reconvene on March 30, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization with the Wozab Advisory Committee following the regular meeting. Complete minutes of the March 9 meeting and an agenda for the March 30 meetings are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk.

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

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The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 30, 2021 in the Courthouse Boardroom. Roll call: Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; absent Baker. Clerk verified meeting notice published in the Ord Quiz on February 17, 2021 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. The minutes of the March 9 meeting were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker. Cullers moved to adopt the agenda, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted; public copies available on counter. No public comment offered. Baker arrived at 9:05 a.m.

Road Secretary Simpson gave the Road Claims & Balances Report for March: Accounts Payable \$72,548.82, Payroll \$54,284.55, no transfer from General Fund; larger expenses were reviewed: blackslicer salt, skid loader payment, cold planer payment, millings, professional services, diesel, parts, labor, blades, tires; received highway allocation of \$86,885.85.

At 9:15 a.m., the public hearing on the One and Six Year Road Plans was opened. **Following portion of sentence corrected at 4-13-2021 meeting: Meyer reviewed Form 11 Report of Previous Year Projects.** Meyer reviewed Form 11 Report of Precious Year Projects, projects not finished moved to 2021 One-Year Plan; Form 8 Summary of One-Year Plan, unfinished projects from Form 11 with addition of a few projects, summary of projects hope to get done; Form 9 Summary of Six-Year Plan, can move projects from Six Year Plan to One Year Plan. The Board decided to table Resolution 21-6 adopting the One and Six Year Road Plans until April 13 meeting. Hearing was closed by Sevenker at 9:30 a.m. The Affidavit certifying the hearing on the One and Six Year Highway and Street Improvement Plan was signed by the members of the Board.

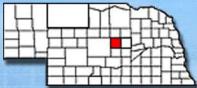
On recommendation of Road Superintendent Meyer, Cetak moved to approve Easement 21-443 for Mike Jackson, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. Meyer's General Report included: maintaining roads; hauling gravel; cleaning ditches; fixing State right-of-way.

Cullers moved to reappoint Jessica Piskorski to the Hospital Board, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. Hospital CEO Nancy Glaubke reported that Thompsons who live east of the Home Health building discovered part of their retaining wall is on Home Health property, Hospital Board approved sale of the small piece of property to the Thompsons, no cost to the Hospital; Doctor's Day is March 30; Twin Rivers COVID hospitalizations are low; Loup Basin allowing anyone 16 and older to receive COVID vaccination; ending contract with Test-Nebraska; strategic plan review is April 21; Jane Meyers is now board-certified in Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing; Second Hand Rose is moving; emergency room remodel in progress. CFO Ashley Woodward presented the financial information: starting budget process; census down; radiology up; Home Health up; ER down; clinic down; gross patient revenue down; salaries down; benefits down; 6.65 million in bonds; cash down due to paying down debt.

Kristina Foth and Katie Walmsley presented the Economic Development Strategic Planning Summary; priorities of the study are childcare quality and capacity, business retention, expansion and transition, agriculture, housing, tourism; 50% of parents do not have childcare, combining resources to provide funding to open daycare; 50 open employment positions in the community, housing is not available for new residents; the other communities in the County also need help, would like to have a presence by holding office hours each month in each community. Baker requested a quarterly Economic Development report instead of a bi-annual report, Foth will present quarterly report in April. VanSlyke moved to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Act Agreement, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Foth will bring the Interlocal Agreement to the next Board meeting to sign.

Meeting recessed at 10:40 a.m. and reconvened at 10:45 a.m. with all members present.

Treasurer Brott presented the Fund Balance Report for February, \$120,134.36 General, \$452,449.61 Road, \$138,533.02 Inheritance, \$68,141.38 Debt Serv. (bonds). Pledge Security for First National Bank was received. The following items regarding the tax sale were presented: the annual Certification closing the tax sale, list of taxes sold at the sale and annual notice of delinquent taxes/assessments. Brott noted that 16 certificates were sold for \$18,722.40,



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tax sale fees of \$333.00 and registration fees of \$175 were collected; any delinquent properties not bought by the tax sale companies will go on County Tax Sale Certificates. Waldmann moved to sign Resolution 21-8 directing the County Treasurer to place Tax Sale Certificates on all delinquent taxes and city assessments for 2019 and prior, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Only one Tax Sale Certificate is due for foreclosure; small strip of land. Resolution 21-9 directing the County Attorney to foreclose on delinquent real estate taxes, assessments, etc., was approved on motion of Cetak, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

County Attorney Haberstick said when she first took office, she appointed all the law enforcement officers to serve as coroners so she does not have to go to every death; may host a virtual meeting on death investigation for prosecutors and law enforcement in the area.

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

Tax List Correction #3875 for Eugene and Jean Ann Hawley due to clerical error was approved on motion of Waldmann, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. The Notices of Hearing on October 13, 2021 for TERC v. Valley Performing Arts Theater, Inc., Valley Rods Unlimited, Karp and Krow, and Seventh Day Baptist Church were noted. Tax List Correction #3876 for James J Lech due to sale of pivot was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

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

No new information on LB310 concerning inheritance tax.

Following review Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$296,669.48 were approved on motion of Cullers, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. No need to pass Resolution 21-07 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 March to meet expenditures as sufficient collections have been made.

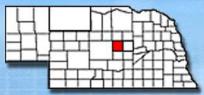
The following informational items were reviewed: the NPDES General Permit for Operations Confining Cattle for Knapp Cattle Co., minutes of the Region 26 Council, Transfer of Phased Construction and Operating Permit for 83 Land & Cattle LLC Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation and clarification by Planning and Zoning Administrator Sheri Goodrich, Extension 2020 annual Report, notice of public hearing on proposal to declare a portion of Village of North Loup blighted and substandard for purposed Community Development Law and City of Ord Tax Increment Finance Report. Valley County will receive \$806,418 from the American Rescue Plan Act, have received \$105,394.74.

Baker made the motion to approve the request of Valley Rods Unlimited Car Club to use the restroom facilities in the Courthouse on June 20, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. during the car show, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Mail Folder items: none.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m., to reconvene on April 13, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the March 30 meeting and an agenda for the April 13 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes are also available on the County Website, www.co.valley.ne.us.

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On recommendation of Road Superintendent Meyer, Baker moved to approve refunding Easement 20-437 for Agland Electric & Irrigation, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Cetak. Resolution 21-06 adopting the One and Six Year Road Plans was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Cetak. Meyer's General Report included: road worker injured off the job, finished work on Ashton Ave, cleaning ditches, will fix culverts on South Ave, will haul gravel, maintaining roads, one road worker will be back on Thursday. DeRiso asked what happens to County road land when it is abandoned. Meyer stated land is usually split between adjoining landowners as stated in resolution adopted when road is abandoned, disagreement between landowners is a civil matter. If the Road Department needs to do work a roadside is mowed, otherwise landowners do the mowing.

In the absence of Weed Superintendent Kaminski, the Board reviewed information on the 2020 Method label, instructions are to use 8oz to 18oz for leafy spurge, should not exceed 8oz for broadleaf or grass, higher amounts will cause damage, restriction remains in effect through 2021.

In absence of Treasurer Brott, the Fund Balance Report for March was reviewed, noting \$178,595.20 General, \$554,049.05 Road, \$138,533.00 Inheritance, \$79,277.54 Debt Service (bonds), \$2,274,288 total collected. Treasurer's office will be open Arbor Day, April 30, 2021 until 4:00 p.m.

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

Grant Geiser, G-3 Contracting, reported that if approved by the Board he will be trading buildings with Joel Kokes; will assume lease at Mortensen Site from Kokes Repair; employs from 15 to 25 workers; uses Visa employees in summer, hard to get. Baker moved to consent to the assignment of the lease for lots 2 and 4 at the Mortensen Site from Kokes Repair to G-3 Contracting, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

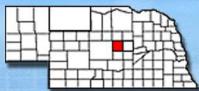
Nancy Glaubke Hospital CEO reported the ambulance was involved in a minor fender bender. Glaubke and Dr. Hilary Miller also presented information concerning the ambulance intercept service; 911 ambulance is operated and staffed by local volunteers, two person crew; Advanced Life Support service is operated and staffed by the Hospital, extra level of skills, one paramedic; paramedics and EMTs are hard to find; the ALS ambulance intercepts the 911 ambulance when extra skills are needed. VanSlyke and Jay Meyer, chairman of Region 26 Board, reported there was a recent issue when the 911 ambulance expected the ALS ambulance to have a two person crew, ambulance had to be left on side of the road since there was no driver, Region 26 worried about liability; Miller said staffing is hard to find, issue has only occurred one time. ALS ambulance cannot respond to private calls, contacts the 911 ambulance.

Meeting recessed at 10:35 a.m. and reconvened at 10:50 a.m. with Cetak absent.

The following informational items were reviewed: NACO County Budget Workshop, NACO Guidance on American Rescue Plan Act, NE Auditor Guidance on American Rescue Plan Act, NACO Board of Equalization Workshop, NACO County Board Workshop, NACO Series Two of COOL Network and NIRMA Board of Directors Vacancy.

Claims and Fund Request of \$32,096.00 were approved on motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

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



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Tax List Correction #3877 for James R. Hansen due to Homestead Exemption change was approved on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

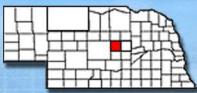
The Board moved back into regular session at 11:05 a.m. on motion of DeRiso, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

Mail Folder items: Wozab Thank You.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m., to reconvene on April 27, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the April 13 meeting and an agenda for the April 27 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes are also available on the County Website, www.co.valley.ne.us.

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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The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 27, 2021 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 in the Ord Quiz on March 17, 2021 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. The minutes of April 13, 2021 meeting were approved on the motion of DeRiso, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. Abstain: Cetak (absent April 13). No: none. Absent: none. The Agenda was adopted on the motion of Cullers, second VanSlyke. 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 reported April Claims & Balances: accounts payable \$84,504.23, payroll \$49,385.01; received \$73,902.73 highway allocation and \$19,490.56 Motor Vehicle Fees; no transfer from the General Fund; larger claims were reviewed: culverts, diesel, gravel, parts, cold planer payment, bareground chemical; Buyback account is at \$147,080.88, which must be used for roads and bridges; gravel budget over by \$80,000; \$594,860 left in budget for two months.

Meyer's General Report included: poured concrete; cleaning ditches; installing culverts, will replace culvert and take down guardrail on Sargent Ord Road; will mix asphalt.

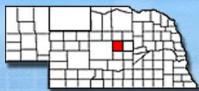
The Nebraska Firearms Association had not recognized that Resolution #20-10 Affirming the Right to Bear Arms was passed on March 31, 2020; Zoom meeting singled out Valley County as taking no action supporting the second amendment; Sevenker contacted the head of the Association, did not know the County had passed the resolution, copy of resolution sent to Association, color on map changed to green; County Attorney Haberstick prepared a press release stating Resolution #20-10 was passed, publish in Ord Quiz and distribute to KNLV and Villages. Cullers moved to approve the press release, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Haberstick reported that juvenile cases are increasing, require attorneys for all parties, increased costs; will host a seminar on death investigation at Justice Center in Broken Bow for attorneys and law enforcement; when children are in foster care for 15 out of 22 months a hearing can be held to terminate parental rights, additional costs for preparation for hearing held in County.

Planning and Zoning Administrator Goodrich discussed a letter received from the Village of North Loup withdrawing from membership in the Area Planning Commission effective 60 days from the date of the letter, Interlocal Cooperation Agreement provided the services, all assessments have been paid, Goodrich was not informed of the meeting.

Kristina Foth presented the Valley County Economic Development Quarterly Report; COVID pandemic did not impact lodging tax collection, first Destination Development Fund grant for \$6,000 awarded to the Valley County Historical Society for Museum roof replacement, assisting new childcare providers with start-up and current providers with expansion plans to increase capacity, North Loup River Water Trail Task Force working to increase public access of river at Veteran's Grounds and Anderson Island.

CEO Nancy Glaubke and CFO Ashley Woodward presented the monthly hospital report. Glaubke reported all-day strategic planning session was held; Mike Eytcheson was employee of the quarter; recruiting to fill Bob Reilly's position after his retirement in April 2022; will conduct a tabletop disaster drill for burn victims; State is conducting a review of the Hospice Program; Second Hand Rose moved to new location, has given \$448,000 to the Hospital, high schools students helped with the move. Woodward presented the financial information: volume down, labs up, cardiopulmonary up, physical therapy up, revenue down, benefits down, cash up. Baker moved to approve Resolution 21-10 calling \$1,980,000 of general obligation refunding bonds and redemption prior to maturity, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Leslie Sikyta joined the discussion of the 30 x 30 program, Presidential Executive Order 14008 calls for conservation of at least 30% of the lands and waters in the United States, not much information available, if land given for conservation what happens to the property taxes. Cullers read the section of the Order that states power of procurement can be used to obtain land, questioned what that means. Sikyta said committee was looking for a knowledgeable speaker in July, Davis Creek area may be Federal land. County Attorney Haberstick will research the subject and report to the Board.



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Meeting recessed at 10:55 a.m. and reconvened at 11:05 a.m. with all members present.

U.S. Treasury has released new guidance on the certification process for State and local fiscal recovery funds, Valley County completed the necessary steps.

Following review, the Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$307,601.43 were approved on motion of Cullers, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. VanSlyke moved to approve Resolution 21-11 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 April, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

Information received from Jay Spearman of Piper Sandler concerning limited tax obligation refunding bonds was reviewed, will contact Spearman for clarification.

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

Tax List Correction #3878 for Big EZ Backgrounding Inc due to sale of tractor at auction was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. Tax List Correction #3879 for Misko's Sports Store due to sale of business was approved on motion of Waldmann, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Assessor Waltman was advised that the assessor has no role at the TERC hearings in October; Board should be represented at hearing; if exemption is reversed by TERC, do not get exemption for intervening year.

The Board moved back into regular session at 11:30 a.m. on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

The following informational items were reviewed: NACO County Budget Workshop, NACO Board of Equalization Workshop agenda, NACO County Board Workshop, Region 26 Council minutes, LB 83e Open Meetings Act. The annual evaluation of the Valley County Jail found the facility to be in full compliance with Minimum Jail Standards.

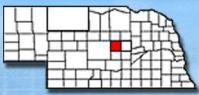
Cullers reported on the Wozab Fund, beginning quarterly balance \$1,375,773.43, ending balance \$1,376,125.37, affiliation fees raised from \$150 per quarter to \$300 per quarter, support fees changed from 1.15 % to 1.25% on the first \$1 million, last adjustment in 2014. Cullers also reported for Region 3; budget the same; high unemployment due to fear of COVID and lack of jobs, jobs available in Valley County; discussing follow up after release from Lincoln Regional Center.

Mail Folder items: Recommendation for Veteran Service Representative, Wozab Thank You Notes, Central NE Community Action Partnership Annual Report 2020.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m., to reconvene on Tuesday, May 11 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the April 27 meeting and an agenda for the May 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.

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

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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 11, 2021 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 in the Ord Quiz on April 21, 2021 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. The April 27 minutes were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Agenda adopted on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Chairman Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies available on counter. No public comment.

On recommendation of Road Superintendent Meyer, VanSlyke moved to approve Easement 21-444 for Janice Brown, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer's General Report included: finished installing culvert on Sargent Ord Road; spraying weeds; will start work on culvert by Darrell Cox; will mix asphalt; road crew fully staffed for first time in 18 months; new signs required for minimum maintenance roads, concerned with public safety, insurance premium based on risk.

Weed Superintendent Kaminski reviewed the Nebraska Department of Agriculture Reports and Requirements; no uncontrolled noxious weeds found, 11 open files, all required reports and documentation in order, infestation did not add up correctly, control plan complete; 50 points off for each open file; burning controls cedar but not spurge. Cullers moved to sign the Reports and Requirements Summary, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Kristina Foth, Valley County Economic Development, presented the Interlocal Agreement Review; growth of local tax base, 81% growth in 2018-2019 from 2004-2005 in Ord; growth in employment; 1 % of 7.5¢ Ord sales tax rate goes to economic development; will be in North Loup and Arcadia one day a month.

Sheriff Hurlburt presented the quarterly report for January, February, March and April. Hurlburt explained that GALLS supplies police uniforms and equipment, sold Dodge pickup for \$21,000 and purchased 2018 Dodge car for \$17,100, set-up for K9 unit, will receive free a fully trained drug dog, handler will have a contract; more meth in Nebraska, dog is a deterrent to drug dealers; there is no place in Nebraska for those needing mental health help.

Meeting recessed at 10:30 a.m., reconvened at 10:35 a.m. with all members present.

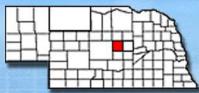
Aaron Gothier from Liberty National requested to meet with employees to present accidental death coverage for a one year term and a discount card for vision, hearing, chiropractic services and prescription drugs at no cost to employee and no cost to employer; also offers other life insurance which would be a payroll deduction. The Board requested additional information.

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

The dates to hear Property Valuation protests were set as requested, June 29 (11:00 a.m.), July 12 (7:00 p.m.), July 13 (11:00 a.m.) and July 20 (7:00 p.m.), on motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Tax List Correction #3880 for G3 Contracting Inc due to clerical error by accountant and assessor was approved on motion of Baker, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. The Notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemption for Dean Gross due to death prior to August 15 deadline was approved on the motion of Waldmann, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

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

Treasurer Brott presented the Fund Balance Report for April, noting \$1,098,551.98 General, \$513,738.63 Road, \$143,400.91 Inheritance, \$124,347.09 Debt Service (bonds), \$5,041,338 total collected. Additional Pledge Security to cover taxes collected was obtained from Federal Home Loan Banks and Federal National Mtg Assn. Brott will be



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opening a new account for funds received from the American Rescue Plan Act for Local Coronavirus Fiscal Recovery, has to be in an interest bearing account, if funds are not used will have to be returned along with interest.

The monthly report for the Clerk of District Court was reviewed, will review the Clerk report at the next meeting.

The following informational items were reviewed: NACO Board of Equalization Workshop, NACO County Board Workshop agenda and NDEE Notice of Application for Major Modification for Shoemaker Farms, Inc. Animal Feeding Operation. Cullers will present information at the next meeting about refunding the County Bonds.

Following review, VanSlyke moved to approve the claims and fund request in the amount of \$29,843.09, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

VanSlyke will speak to Doug Griess about reappointment to the Veterans Service Committee. Region 26 Council minutes were reviewed, VanSlyke checking on reason for increase of assessment from \$59,000 to \$68,000.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m., to reconvene on May 25, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the May 11 meeting and an agenda for the May 25 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes are also available on the County Website, www.co.valley.ne.us.

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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 25, 2021 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 in the Ord Quiz on April 21, 2021 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. DeRiso moved to approve minutes of May 11 meeting, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Cetak. Agenda adopted on motion of VanSlyke, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Cetak. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted, public copies available on counter. No public comment.

May Road Claims and Balances Report by Road Secretary Simpson included: Accounts Payable \$93,401.45, Payroll \$51,809.46, received \$77,997.94 highway allocation; no transfer from the General Fund; larger expenses include culverts, diesel, parts, labor, sand, gravel, rock, cold planer payment. \$448,125 has been spent on gravel.

On recommendation of Road Superintendent Meyer, Baker moved to approve Easements 21-445 for Steve Karmann and 21-446 for Wagon-R Farms, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Cetak. Gravel bid date and time was set for June 29 at 9:30 a.m., on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

Meyer's General Report included: repairing truck; spraying roadsides; will install culverts; hard to get tires, purchased some to store until needed, price is going up.

County Attorney Haberstick reported the press release stating Resolution #20-10 affirming the right to bear arms was passed on March 31, 2020 was send to the Ord Quiz, has not been published; 30 x 30 program should perhaps be addressed by the Planning Commission. Sevenker announced the Valley County GOP is hosting a meeting about the 30 x 30 program and health standards with guest speakers on June 3 at the Fairgrounds. Haberstick presented her letter of resignation effective June 30, recommended Brandon Hanson to finish out her term, Custer County requested she return to her position as Deputy County Attorney full time or lose her job. Waldmann moved to accept the resignation of Haberstick, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: Cetak. Board will act on the appointment of Hanson June 8.

VCHS CEO Nancy Glaubke presented the monthly report: financials are good, 95% of local residents use the specialty clinic, looking at offering PET scans, still recruiting for Bob Reilly's position, scaled down Health Fair June 22, finishing emergency department remodel, need to know reason for clinic appointment so proper amount of time is scheduled.

Meeting recessed at 10:00 a.m. and reconvened at 10:15 a.m. with Cetak absent. The monthly Clerk report was reviewed. County Weed Superintendent Kaminski sent word he is withdrawing from the planned interview for a position in another County.

The following informational items were reviewed: NACO Board of Equalization Workshop and NACO County Board Workshop. Cullers informed the Board there would be a savings of only \$7,000 to \$8,000 if the County bonds were refunded, the difference between the available companies to work with are the fees charged, will continue researching. Will let the Department Heads decide whether to let the representative for Liberty National talk to their employees. VanSlyke could not reach the current member of the Veterans Service Committee to determine if he would like to continue, will report next meeting.

May Claims and Fund Request were reviewed, Cullers stated that all Planning and Zoning contacts were four hours long, no longer turns in mileage, Sevenker, Cullers and Baker will talk to Goodrich about keeping track of length of contacts and mileage; will pay Loup Basin RC & D dues; Region 3 claim was for 4th quarter assessment; Buller Designs replaced 20 sprinkler heads. VanSlyke moved to approve the May claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$335,349.33, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

The annual dues for the National Association of Counties are \$450, all elected officials and staff are covered. Cullers moved to join NACo, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Cetak. VanSlyke will join the virtual Lower Loup NRD Hazard Mitigation Plan meeting on June 10 at



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6:00 p.m. The name of the 30 x 30 Program has been changed to the America the Beautiful Initiative. The Veterans Service Committee has recommended Dale Beethe to fill the position as Veterans Service Officer starting July 1, will need budget of at least \$26,000, will ask representative of Committee and Beethe to attend June 8 meeting. Review of the plat for the Mortensen Industrial Site 2nd Subdivision shows the lot numbers had been switched on a map used to determine the legal description for the Assignment of Lease between Joel Kokes and G3 Contracting, County Attorney Haberstick will prepare a Corrected Assignment.

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

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. Haberstick received a Confession of Judgment from TERC to be signed by the Valley County Board of Equalization consenting to a judgment which acknowledges the property tax exemption for Seventh Day Baptist Church was improperly granted and should be reversed. Assessor Waltman stated a representative from the Church had informed her the Church will not seek an exemption for the property and will pay the taxes. DeRiso moved to have Haberstick sign the Confession of Judgment, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

At 11:15 a.m., the Board moved back into regular session on motion of Baker, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Cetak.

Waldmann left the meeting at 11:15 a.m. DeRiso reported Mid-Plains seems to have more financial stability than before. Cullers reported Custodian Vanek told her about a product that would clean the hard water ring out of toilets, older toilets could be replaced and the new would stay clean.

Mail folder items: Central NE Community Action Partnership Recap.

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m., to reconvene on June 8, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the May 25 meeting and an agenda for the June 8 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes are also available on the County Website, www.co.valley.ne.us.

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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 8, 2021 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 in the Ord Quiz on May 19, 2021 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. DeRiso said Sheri Goodrich felt the May minutes represented she always claimed four hours for Planning and Zoning contacts, minutes state the May claims were reviewed, discussion was for May only. Minutes of the May 25, 2021 meeting were approved on motion of Cullers, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. Abstain: Cetak (absent May 25). No: none. Absent: none. Cetak moved to adopt the agenda, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on 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 20-438 for Roger Hornickel, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Kevin Sheldon, chairman of the Veterans Service Committee, was present to discuss the Veterans Service Officer appointment; new service officer will need to be certified; attend trainings; pass the Service Officer test; join various organizations; purchase an updated laptop, new programs and electronic signature pad; proposed \$26,000 to \$30,000 budget; Valley County low on the salary; will not have to purchase equipment in the following budget year; increase days in the office if needed. Baker made a motion to appoint Dale Beethe as the Veterans Service Officer beginning July 1, 2021, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer continued the Road report; 2019 Flooding Disaster DR4420 has been amended to increase the Federal share to 90% from 75%, State and County share 5% each. Meyer's General Report included: trying new crack seal mastic, rented machine to apply; culverts delivered for Hackel Feedlot project; mixing asphalt; will attend highway superintendent's meetings for continuing education; no transfers from the General Fund since January, by law the County has to pay half of the second half of the allocations to continue to receive the funds, will have to transfer \$123,859.70 from General Fund to Road Fund.

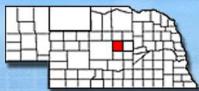
County Attorney Haberstick is attending coroner training. Sevenker said a local attorney felt the soon to be vacant position of County Attorney should be advertised, statute states that if a vacancy occurs the County Board may appoint a qualified attorney. Haberstick told Sevenker that an interim attorney could be appointed while the position was advertised and interviews are held, then appoint permanent Attorney. Sheriff Hurlburt joined the discussion, need County Attorney as soon as vacancy occurs, do not know what County is getting if attorney hired from another County. Waldmann moved to approve Resolution 21-12 appointing Brandon Hanson as County Attorney to begin duties July 1, 2021 to fulfill the remainder of the elected term ending January 2023, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Cullers made the motion to sign the Revised Assignment of Lease between Joel Kokes and G3 Contracting, Inc. to correct the legal description, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

The meeting recessed at 10:00 a.m., and reconvened at 10:10 a.m. with all members present.

Treasurer Brott presented the Fund Balance Report for May, balance of \$1,127,917.32 General, \$446,705.56 Road, \$171,657.06 Inheritance, \$130,243.05 Bond; total collected for the month \$1,778,597. Subsequent real property taxes and interest were sold to 4 tax sale companies in the amount of \$12,662.72, tax sale companies purchase delinquent taxes in March, issued Tax Sale Certificate as taxes become delinquent, can purchase additional taxes added to original certificate, mature in 3 years after date of issuance, company can then pursue legal foreclosure. Pledge Security for First National Bank was issued and released.

The Clerk of the District Court fee report was reviewed, will review Clerk report at next meeting.

Cullers presented a Refunding Analysis of 2016 Limited Tax Bonds prepared by Jay Spearman from Piper|Sandler, total savings of \$8,182.70. Waldmann moved to refund the 2016 Limited Tax Bonds with Piper|Sandler, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.



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The following informational items were reviewed: U.S. Treasury Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds frequently asked questions and NACO clarification of ARPA Eligible Expenses.

VanSlyke reported Doug Griess is willing to continue serving on the Veterans Service Committee. VanSlyke moved to re-appointed Doug Griess to the Veterans Service Committee beginning July 1, 2021 for a term of 5 years, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

The NIRMA billing statement for 2021-22 in the amount of \$105,435, 4.16% increase of \$4,208, was reviewed, must be paid by June 30. The Claims and Fund Request for \$138,581.97 were reviewed and approved on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

Janna Olson, Assistant Director of the Golden Husk, contacted Sevenker asking to use the Courthouse lawn for a patriotic concert on Friday, July 2. Cullers moved to approve use of the lawn, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

The Region 3 Governing Board voted to not increase the overall amount of tax match requested from all twenty-two counties, but to re-apportion the tax match annually based on population, no increase/decrease for Valley County. Cullers made the motion to approve Region 3 Behavioral Health Services FY 2021/2022 County Match Request, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Sevenker, Cullers and Baker met with Sheri Goodrich, Planning and Zoning Administrator, to discuss length of contacts and tracking mileage; Goodrich had not noticed all contacts in May were four hours, requested a monthly wage, would only request mileage if attending a meeting, more reimbursement for telephone usage; last year's salary will be divided by twelve to determine monthly salary. Cullers reported Custodian Vanek will obtain an estimate of cost of a water softener for the Courthouse. Cullers also reported Nebraska Community Foundation determined that Second Hand Rose qualifies to receive Wozab Funds. Cullers was contacted by an individual who had a Bible that belonged to John and Alice Wozab, not sure where it was obtained, sent Bible to Cullers, will give to Valley County Museum or Library. Baker reported the Loup Basin Health Department will use COVID funds received to expand the facility. VanSlyke said Valley County's Region 26 assessment will increase 20% to over \$70,000.

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

Waltman presented the Assessor Certification of Complete Revision of the 2021 Real Property Assessment Roll, sales were high so valuations had to be increased to be in line with State Requirements. The notices of Valuation Change for County property were reviewed.

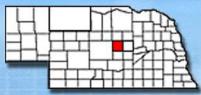
Baker moved to approve Tax List Corrections 3881 for Bradley Nagorski due to sale of property, 3882 for Airport Motel and 3883 for Roy's Place due to sale of businesses, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Cullers moved to grant an extension for filing Homestead Exemption to Ruth Duda since her husband's estate is not finalized, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m., to reconvene on June 29, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the June 8 meeting and an agenda for the June 29 meeting is available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes of the June 8 meeting are also available on the County website (www.co.valley.ne.us).

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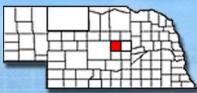


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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

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Road Secretary Simpson's June Road Claims Report included: Payroll \$52,329.62, Accounts Payable \$219,202.47, Highway Allocation \$93,444.93, transfer from General Fund \$123,857.70, transfer necessary since by law the County has to pay half of the second half of the highway allocations of \$242,718.82 to continue to receive the funds; larger expenses included diesel, culverts, gravel, grass seed, parts, crack sealant, rock. On recommendation of Road Superintendent Meyer, Waldmann moved to approve Easement 21-447 for Nebraska Central Telephone, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Meyer's General Report included: finishing overlay of Haskell Creek Road, cost of overlaying is \$50,000 per mile; mixing asphalt; replaced washed out culvert on minimum maintenance road, caused by irrigation water flow; renting machine to apply sealant in cracks and potholes, would like to purchase machine, cost \$72,000.

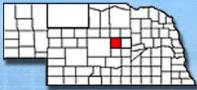
Gravel Bids were opened and read by Superintendent Meyer at 9:30 a.m. in the order in which they were received. Bids were received from Jeffres Sand and Gravel Inc. and Ulrich Gravel Inc. Wes Ulrich and Lynn Bundy were present. Jeffres' bid included: (bids per cubic yard) Class A Road Gravel \$12.55, 47B Windrow Gravel \$12.55, Armor Coat Gravel \$12.55, Sand \$6.75, De-Icing Gravel \$12.55, 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 \$12.00, cubic yard mile truck charge \$.39, Mud Rock \$21.75, Sand \$5.75, Ice/Salt Gravel \$12.00, 47B Gravel \$12.00, Armor Coat Gravel \$12.00, Shaker Rock \$18.00, Waste Rock \$15.00, White rock \$42.00, haul rates min. \$3.00. Following discussion, Cetak moved to accept the gravel bids from Ulrich and Jeffres, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Weed Superintendent Kaminski reported sending a notice earlier in the year to Koll, still not sprayed. Waldmann moved to send two 10-day notices to Koll, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Hospital CEO Nancy Glaubke and CFO Ashley Woodward presented the monthly Hospital report. Waldmann moved to sign the Home Health and Private Duty renewal Licensure Applications, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker. Glaubke reported the annual meeting was held, Carl Streeter elected chairman of Hospital Board, Roger Lansman vice-chairman, Michelle Zanger secretary, Nathan Flessner treasurer; ER is almost finished; replacing equipment; Second Hand Rose will hold a ribbon cutting for new location; Good Samaritan hosting open house; Hospital golf tournament coming up; Oakland Hospital closed. Woodward reviewed FY 2022 Financial Budget: recognizing COVID funds, electronic medical records, large portion of budget. Woodward also reviewed financials: census down, cardio down, Heritage down, CT scans up, nuke med up, labs up, gross revenue down, salaries and benefits down, revenue gain, bonds below \$5 million.

Jay Spearman, Piper/Sandler presented the Refunding Analysis of 2016 Limited Tax Bonds; too late to include November 2021 bond payment in refunding, refunding 2016 series will save the County almost \$8,000, will close in late July, first payment of interest only in May 2022, update the Board on interest rate July 13. Baker arrived at 10:16 a.m. Cullers made the motion to call the County Building Refunding Bonds Series 2016, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: Baker (not present for the entire presentation). Absent: none. VanSlyke moved to issue County Building Refunding Bonds Series 2021, second Cullers. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. Absent: none.

Kristina Foth and Katie Walmsley, Tourism and Economic Development, introduced the two interns for the summer. Foth presented the Lodging Tax budget draft for FY 21/22; new travel guide available; nonprofit or public entities can apply for grant funds from Destination Development Fund for tourism development; entities apply for grant funds from Traveler Attraction Fund for marketing and promotion; business coaches will work with businesses



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about challenges of pandemic or responses to pandemic; E3 Grant for development of ecosystems; increasing accessibility to water trail through Phase 1 grants for a dock, parking, signage and toilet at the Vets Grounds; Phase 2 will be storage shed at the Vets Grounds and lighting and possible improvements for Anderson island; working on developing non-profit childcare for about 100 kids, looking at sites to develop, foundations are interested in developing such projects, childcare needed for area economic growth.

Meeting recessed at 10:57 a.m. and reconvened at 11:02 a.m. with all members present.

At 11:03 a.m., the Board of Equalization was convened on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. The Assessor, Clerk and Vaughn Toney were present.

Property Valuation Protest #2 from Vaughn Toney on Parcel #880021644, Ord Original Add/102 L4 B40; protested value: Land \$5,815, Buildings \$66,430, Total \$72,245; requested value: Land \$5,815, Buildings \$39,185, Total \$45,000; homeowner's written testimony: Feel like building is valued too high due to extensive work needed to bring up the condition from fair to average condition. Assessor's written testimony: Cullers, Sevenker, Lorry Fleming and Waltman reviewed property on June 9, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.; Vaughn and Kathy there also; Inspected interior and exterior of house; Interior of house has not had any updates recently; Interior water damage from roof leaking; Vaughn attempted to repair but still leaks; Roof pitch and type of gutters causing lot of problem; Roof pitch needs to be completely redone which will be very costly; Owner has replaced a few windows but no other updates to exterior; Water damage caused siding to rot and lot of other deferred maintenance to exterior. Assessor's written recommendation: Change house to fair condition and leave quality at average; House \$22,615, Land \$5815, Total \$28,430. VanSlyke moved to accept the Assessor's recommendation, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

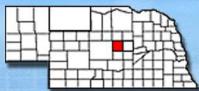
Property Valuation Protest #1 from Linda S. Cone on Parcel #880037168, Noble Twp/1 2.814 acre tract in SW4 18-20-13; protested value: Land \$6,715; requested value: Land \$4,720; owner's written testimony: 1.000 acre listed as irrigated and valuation of \$2995/acre is to be changed to 1.000 acre dry/grassland valued at \$1,000/acre; No FSA filing to correct error. Assessor's written testimony: On June 3, 2021 received phone call from Linda Cone telling me that there are not any irrigated acres on this parcel; After inspecting property found out there is dryland crop on this parcel. Assessor's written recommendation: Changed .93 acres from Irrigated to Dry. Value now \$5,600 on parcel. Following discussion, Waldmann moved to accept the Assessor's recommendation, DeRiso second. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Property Valuation Protest #3 from Emanuel Skala dba Skala Inc. on Parcel #880024248, Ord – Milford's Add/102 L8 B15; protested value: Land \$8,070, Buildings \$57,030, Total \$65,100; requested value: Land \$6,900, Buildings \$43,100, Total \$50,000; homeowner's written testimony: Purchased property 2-19-2021 for \$50,000. Assessor's written testimony: Cullers, Cetak, Fleming and Waltman reviewed property on June 14, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.; Lori Skala and renter were there; Inspected the interior and exterior of house; There have been no updates to interior or windows recently, exterior has new vinyl siding and new roof; There is no structure damage or anything that would cause change to condition of house; Have in Fair quality and Average condition; Did find that square footage of basement not correct; Had 504 square foot and is 959 square foot so has been corrected; Increase to value of house from \$57,030 to \$58,500. Assessor's written recommendation: No change to quality and condition and updated basement square foot; House \$58,500, Land \$8,070, Total \$66,570. Baker thought valuation should be the price paid for the property in February 2021. Following discussion, Cetak moved to accept the Assessor's recommendation, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. Absent: none.

Waldmann moved to approve Tax List Correction 3884 for Marjorie Clements due to Dept. of Revenue adjustment of 2018 Homestead Exemption due to income, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Waldmann moved to approve Tax List Correction 3885 for Orscheln Farm & Home #103 due to sale of businesses, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none. Overvalued/Undervalued Report was reviewed.

The Board moved out of Board of Equalization at 11:35 a.m. on motion of Baker, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Planning and Zoning Administrator Goodrich joined the discussion of her Employment Contract, will receive a salary instead of an hourly wage determined through the Budget process. Cullers moved to approve the Contract,



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second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. The North Loup Village Clerk request Goodrich's copy of Manuel of Regulations to give to their new administrator, Village Clerk has a copy, Board felt administrator can make a copy of Village's Manuel.

Baker moved to sign the Assignment of Lease from AWS Well Co. to Brewster Land, LLC for the Mortensen Industrial Site, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

The Treasury Guidance for Fiscal Recovery Fund reporting requirements was reviewed. Cullers said some of the funds could be used for expanded mental health through Region 3. VanSlyke participated in the LLNRD Hazard Mitigation Plan call, updating the mitigation plan will be a challenge, will talk to Region 26 about any help that is available.

Following review, Cullers moved to approve the June claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$573,896.11, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Resolution 21-13 transferring funds due to budget overages was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. The 21/22 budget timeline was reviewed, Budget meeting will be August 9 at 7:00 p.m. Cullers made the motion to renew the Lincoln Financial Group coverage for another 2 year cycle, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

The following informational items were reviewed: 2022 Nebraska State Flood Hazard Mitigation Plan, Region 26 Minutes and Village of North Loup Notice of Public Hearings.

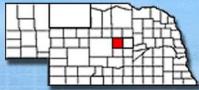
No action was taken on the Loup Basin Public Health Department request for funds received by Valley County from the American Rescue Plan Act for Coronavirus Relief to cover expenses related to the pandemic response if needed. Cullers moved to reappoint Waldmann to the Economic Development Board, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. Abstain: Waldmann. Absent: none.

Committee Reports: Waldmann reported that Kristina Foth declined to continue in the position as director of the Ord Area Chamber of Commerce and Valley County Economic Development. The Wozab Bible will be placed in the Courthouse lobby.

Meeting adjourned at 12:35 a.m., to reconvene as Board of Equalization on July 12 at 7:00 p.m. if necessary, to hear property valuation protests, and on July 13, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the June 29 meeting and an agenda for the July 13 meeting is available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes of the June 29 meeting are also available on the County website (www.co.valley.ne.us).

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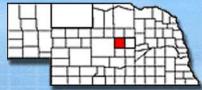


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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' AGENDA Tuesday, July 13, 2021 – 9:00 a.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Verify Notice of Meeting
4. Act on minutes of June 29, 2021 meeting
5. Adopt/Amend Agenda
6. Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies available on counter
7. Public Comment
8. Reports
 - A. Road Supt. - Jay Meyer
 1. General Report
 - B. Weed Superintendent – Darrell Kaminski
 1. Update 10-Day Notice
 - C. Treasurer – Peggy Brott
 1. Month End Fund Report
 2. Semi-Annual Fund Report Printed in Quiz – FY Balance of All Funds
 3. Misc. Receipts Folder
 - D. Planning & Zoning Administrator – Sheri Goodrich
 1. Contract for Services – Marvin Planning Consultants
 - E. County Clerk - Paula Musil
 1. June Fee Reports: County Clerk & Clerk of District Court
 - F. Veterans Service Officer
 1. Department of Veterans' Affairs Letter
 - G. County Attorney – Brandon Hanson
 1. General Report
9. Old Business
 - A. Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds
 - B. LLNRD Hazard Mitigation Plan
 - C. Refunding Series 2016 Bonds – Series 2021 Refunding Bonds Updated Information
10. **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION 11:00 A.M.**
 - A. Property Valuation Protest Hearings
 - #4 Duane L Jacobs/Carolyn Sue Jacobs
 - #5 Carolyn Sue & Duane Jacobs & LaRue K & Harold Dean Marshal
 - #6 Cristena Birkel
 - #7 Byron Stevens
 - #8 Dean Miska – Cancelled By Protester
 - #9 Dean Miska
 - #10 Dean Miska
 - B. Overvalued/Undervalued Report
 - C. Notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemption – Donald E. Christen
 - D. Notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemption – Kenneth L. & Barbara Dorsey
 - E. Notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemption – Rosemary Nelson
 - F. Notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemption – James R. Hansen
 - G. Notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemption – Misty Ryman
11. New Business



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- A. Review/Act on Claims & Fund Request
- B. Probation District Eight Budget
- C. NIRMA Employment Practices Seminars
- D. 2021 NACO Annual Conference – December 8-10, Kearney – Registration & Rooms
- E. Region 26 – Minutes
- F. Region 26 Budget

12. Quarterly Jail Inspection

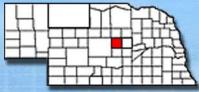
13. Committee/County Rep. Reports

14. Mail Folder:

15. Next regular meeting July 27, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

16. Adjourn

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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 27, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Waldmann present; Sevenker (excused) and VanSlyke (excused) absent. Clerk verified meeting notice published in the Ord Quiz on June 16, 2021 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. July 13 Board minutes and July 12 Board of Equalization minutes approved on motion of Waldmann, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Sevenker and VanSlyke. Agenda adopted on motion of DeRiso, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Baker. No: none. Absent: Sevenker and VanSlyke. Cullers noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies on counter. No public comment.

County Sheriff Hurlburt reported complaint was received that service fees are billed by both the County Court and the Sheriff's office. Sheriff's Office Manger Ashley Eley presented the new Office policy for payment of service papers and other documents; unless there is a written agreement between Valley County Sheriff's Office and the requesting party, the Sheriff's Office will require a prepayment of \$50 for service; if service occurs or person to be served cannot be located any remaining fees are refunded; if prepaid amount does not cover all service fees, invoice will be sent to requesting party; the amount to be charged for service or other services is set by Nebraska statute.

Road Superintendent Meyer was in Norfolk in preparation for installation of culverts. Road Secretary Simpson presented the Road Claims and Balances Report for July: accounts payable \$253,945.59, payroll \$52,559.91; allocation for August was \$93,585.50, motor vehicle fee \$13,531.13, transfer from General Fund \$143,557.20; larger expenses included motor grader and loader payments, culvert, gravel, HFE 300, diesel, blades, rock.

The final numbers for the refunding of the 2016 bonds were presented, the County will save \$8,353.43 by refunding.

Katie Walmsley with Ord Area Chamber of Commerce requested use of the Courthouse lawn for National Night Out on August 3, many activities are planned. Baker moved to allow use of the Courthouse lawn by the Ord Area Chamber of Commerce, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Cullers, Baker. No: none. Absent: Sevenker, VanSlyke.

July Claims and Fund Request were reviewed, Cullers contacted the Grand Island Independent concerning the claim for \$478.19 for a one year subscription for the County Jail, personal subscription is under \$200 for the same time period, by law a daily newspaper has to be provided, Independent will lower the claim by \$85, will hold the check pending adjustment. The July Claims and Fund Request were approved in the amount of \$613,544.30, on motion of Baker, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Sevenker, VanSlyke.

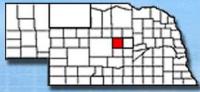
Clerk Musil presented the goal of the Secretary of State Elections Division to have all Counties on a managed network/firewall to improve network security and help mitigate risks to the network, will ask the State for a list of vendors that would provide the service.

County Budget Accountant Chuck Abel presented preliminary budget information for FY21-22 based on the funds requested by the County Officials and department heads and estimated receipts for FY21-22. County cash balance is up due to ARPA and NEMA funds received; if all budget requests were spent General fund would be negative \$1,171,745, need to use ARPA funds in every way possible, possibly for infrastructure, normally the General fund does not spend its entire budget; if levy stays the same cash balance will decrease to \$172,718.

Hospital CEO Nancy Glaubke and CFO Ashley Woodward presented the monthly Hospital report. Glaubke reported Dr. Ward signed contract to start August 1, 2022; Laci Shoemaker named employee of the quarter; no vaccine mandate for the Hospital; there is a mask mandate, Medicare requires masks and screening, if Hospital does not follow the requirements Medicare could stop new admissions; will be providing PET Scans through a mobile unit. Woodward reviewed financials: volume up for the month but down for the year; no group Heritage sessions were allowed during COVID, have started up again; Clinic visits are going up; seeing some COVID cases in the Clinic and ER; paid Medicare COVID payments back; revenue up, benefits up, supplies expense up, interest expense up.

Jared Reimers, District Coordinator, for Congressman Smith stopped by to answer any questions the Board might have; opposed to 30 x 30 Program, Smith on the Tax Policy Committee, no idea how to use COVID funds.

Meeting recessed at 10:45 a.m. and reconvened at 10:50 a.m. with Sevenker and VanSlyke absent.



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Clerk Musil is to contact the University of Nebraska at Omaha about the cost for redistricting. Cullers will speak to Judy Petersen from CNEDD about the cost for their assistance in understanding and managing ARPA funds.

Committee Report: Cetak reported that Mid-Nebraska cannot find employees to fill vacant positions.

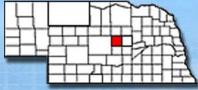
The Board moved into Board of Equalization at 11:00 a.m. on motion of Cetak, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Sevenker, VanSlyke. The Assessor and Clerk were present. The Notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemptions for Pauline Tolfa due to house sold and Edward Larsen due to not meeting Disability Requirements were approved on motion of Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Sevenker, VanSlyke. The 2021 Plan of Assessment was approved on motion of Waldmann, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Baker. No: none. Absent: Sevenker, VanSlyke. The 2021 Cemetery Report was reviewed. The vacating of an alley in blocks 3 and 4 of Woodbury Addition in Ord and the sale of a property by the Village of North Loup were reviewed. Assessor Waltman was directed to send notice of the assessed value to the record owners on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Sevenker, VanSlyke. The Board moved out of Board of Equalization at 11:20 a.m. on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Sevenker, VanSlyke.

Committee Report: Cullers reported the Wozab Fund beginning balance was \$1,376,125.37; income for the period was \$37,731.06; expenses \$31,644.52; ending balance was \$1,382,211.91.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m. to reconvene on August 9, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. for the FY 21-22 budget meeting and August 10, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the July 27 meeting and agendas for August 9 and 10 are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes are also available on the County website, www.co.valley.ne.us.

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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in special session at 7:00 p.m., Monday, August 9, 2021 in their Courthouse meeting room to consider the FY 21-22 budget and subdivision levy authority requests. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; absent Baker. Clerk verified meeting notice published in the Ord Quiz on July 21, 2021 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. Agenda adopted on motion of DeRiso, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Baker. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted; public copies available. No public comment. Baker arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Accountant Chuck Abel reviewed the budget information presented at the July 27 Board meeting; County cash balance is up due to ARPA and NEMA funds received; based on requested funds and estimated receipts the General Fund would be negative \$1,171,745 if all requests were spent, usually do not spend entire budget. Preliminary County valuation is 883,537,412; last year 904,853,037.

Subdivision Levy requests were reviewed. Mike Wells attended to speak for Twin Loups Reclamation, asking the same as last year, Valley County has the highest levy in the district, determines the amount received, Valley County's share \$13,000. Mark Knight stated the Loup Valley Ag Society request has been the same amount for several years. Kristi Hagstrom, Ord Township Library Director reported if the \$120,000 request is approved there will be no need to call a town hall meeting to override the levy. Cullers moved to allow the levy allocation request of \$120,000 for Ord Township, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, Cullers, Waldmann, Cetak. No: VanSlyke, Baker, DeRiso. Absent: none. Subdivision levies will be set and approved at the Board meeting August 10.

Weed Superintendent Darrell Kaminski was present to discuss his budget; asking for salary increase; mileage allowance down. Treasurer Brott kept the amount for a parttime position if needed; largest increase to deputy salary, has to receive 65% of official's salary, request over 65%.

Danny Vanek added to Courthouse Remodeling to replace the windows in the Sheriff's office, Building Repair and Grounds Repair line increased to repair the sidewalk and steps on the west side. Planning and Zoning administrator Sheri Goodrich would like new maps, wants to pay AgPro for the use of their office and computer.

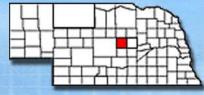
Road Superintendent Meyer was present to discuss the Road budget; increase of \$65,000; increased parts line, taking from one vehicle to put on another so can continue to operate; have been stock piling for special bridge and street projects; cost of gravel has increased; one employee will be retiring. County Attorney Hanson pointed out IVD received \$37,000 in reimburse from the State.

Sheriff Hurlburt and Office Manager Ashley Eley reported due to COVID decrease of spending for groceries, medical and Petty Cash last year; \$6,500 for purchase of drug dog and \$6,000 for kennel, handler has signed a 5 year contract; drugs are increasing in County; officers have to be certified before even driving a vehicle.

County Clerk Musil reported that the Clerk's budget increase was for salaries; Election Commissioner budget increase for publishing costs, added mileage allowance; Register of Deeds Preservation Fund by statute has to be spent for modernization or preservation of the Register of Deeds. The other budget requests were reviewed; Assessor's regular time salary is for two employees, Agricultural Extension Agent budget includes mileage expense for four Counties, Valley County reimbursed by other Counties, clerical increased 5%, Cullers will speak to Kayla Hinrichs; Veterans Service Officer increase for new computers and more training for new Veterans Service Officer; discussed need for two emergency managers, Sevenker will inquire; Clerk Musil will look into Public Defender Costs.

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m., to reconvene on August 10, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the August 9 meeting and the agenda for the August 10 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes are also available on the County website, www.co.valley.ne.us.

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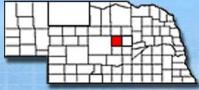


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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session in their Courthouse meeting room on Tuesday, August 10, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present; absent none. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. Minutes of July 27 meeting were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Abstain: Sevenker, not present for meeting. Agenda adopted on motion of Cullers, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted; public copies available on counter. No Public Comment.

On recommendation of Road Superintendent Meyer, VanSlyke moved to approve Easement 21-448 for JNR Farms, Inc Jim and Rita Shoemaker, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

Meyer's general report included: finished overlay on Comstock road; finished culvert by Hackel's; overlaying additional area of Comstock road; if have time will work on Fort Road; traffic paint in short supply, 10 weeks out, will try another company.

Kristi Hagstrom, Director Ord Township Library, presented a report; fully accredited; four staff members; 20,031 items in the collection; Library Programs include Summer Reading Program, Story Time, Homework Hour, Art Classes, Movies, Lego Club, Make Christmas Happen; Events hosted include Annual Book Sale, participate in National Night Out, host Countdown to Christmas, Social Security Workshops, community meeting space; during pandemic offered curbside service, appointments for college student for internet access, meeting location for child visitation appointments, Summer Reading kits, Read at the park or recorded reading of books via You Tube for preschoolers; Library also used for reading newspaper, networking, genealogical researching, job hunting, studying, social interacting.

Treasurer Brott presented the Fund Balance Report for July, balance of \$513,383.68 General, \$336,983.32 Road, \$172,717.96 Inheritance, \$133,960.72 Bond; total collected for the month \$359,888. Brott presented the Annual Distress Warrant Report for FY 2020/2021: Sheriff received 31 Distress Warrants, 18 returned satisfied and 4 paid to the Treasurer's Office, collected \$7,676.80 which was turned over to the Treasurer. The remaining 9 Distress Warrants have been returned not satisfied: David & Stephanie Wood, unable to locate; Nicole Fauss, no response; Warren Glinsman, no response; H3 B3 Construction, unable to locate; Kylan & Jayna Iwanski, unable to locate, paid to Treasurer; Chris Lightford, no response; Raymond Maly, no response; RF Well Service, no response; Schmidt Holdings, no response. Will not strike any Distress Warrants, will keep trying to collect. Misc. Receipt Folder available.

County Clerk Reports for May, June and July and Clerk of the District Court Fee Report for July were reviewed.

County Attorney Hanson report there will be no jury trials in September, continued to January; will start tax foreclosure on Russ Ballou; Sheriff's office has been busy.

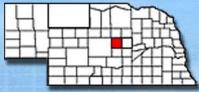
Board decided to put the pallet of bricks removed from the sidewalk area on the north side of the Courthouse on the Silent Auction to tentatively be held in September, will decide date at next meeting.

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

The ARPA interim report is due August 31, 2021 covering spending from date County received Recovery Funds to July 31, 2021. VanSlyke reported Region 26 is trying to determine if COVID funds can be used to pay some of the County assessments, increased wages, Sherman and Valley Counties believe wages should be part of the basis for the assessment, reminder of Region 26 meeting on August 31 on next meeting.

Clerk Musil reported redistricting is required by law; tried to call all the GIS vendors for redistricting; could not reach some and others were not interested in presenting a proposal; UNO proposed to develop digital map files, import 2010 census population data, import 2020 census population data, analyze equality of total population by Supervisor boundaries; prepare 3 suggestions for boundary changes, prepare physical and legal description of boundaries and digital and static map files, estimated project cost \$3,510. Cullers moved to approve UNO Agreement for redistricting, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: Baker. Absent: none.

Ed Knott from Applied Connective discussed email security and managing a firewall; installed and supports phone system; not involved with IT support; State owned equipment has firewall managed by OCIO; need management of firewall for County owned equipment; help Counties set up email domain; Secretary of State wants Counties to register a domain; Microsoft Exchange provides an email platform; charge of \$288.75 monthly for email service and one-



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time fee of \$1,750 to set up service; Secretary of State wants a managed and monitored firewall; charge of \$300 monthly for Ninja system and one-time fee of \$1,200 to set up service. Baker moved to accept both recommendations, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

The Board moved into Board of Equalization at 11:15 a.m. 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.

Baker moved to approve Tax List Corrections 3886, 3887 and 3888 for GreenAmerica Biofuels Ord LLC due to sale of business, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. The Notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemption for Everett Lech due to death was approved on the motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

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

DeRiso moved to approve Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$29,843.09, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

The following informational items were reviewed: NACO Benefit Services and nominations for NACO Secretary/Treasurer.

Resolution 21-16 authorizing the subdivision levy requests was approved on motion of Baker, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

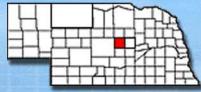
Baker moved to set the budget hearing on September 14, 2021 at 9:00 a.m., Board of Supervisors meeting at 9:15 a.m. and the Special Hearing to Set Final Tax Request at 9:20 a.m., second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Committee Reports: Waldmann reported that Kristina Foth and Katie Walmsley will serve as Co-Directors of Valley County Economic Development and Ord Area Chamber of Commerce; Dan Piskorski will serve as the Treasurer.

The meeting recessed at 11:55 a.m. and reconvene at 1:05 p.m. with Baker absent. Executive Director of Central Nebraska Economic Development District Judy Petersen, Ord City Clerk Sandy Krum, Co-Directors of Valley County Economic Development Kristina Foth and Katie Walmsley, and Melanie Flynn of Loup Valley Childhood initiative and Valley Community Foundation Fund were also present. Petersen stated everyone is trying to figure out how to use the ARPA funds; participated in webinar about childcare, can use funds under capital improvement to update publicly owned existing facility, can use under negative economic impact as back to work incentive, if County can document lost revenue can build a new facility; loan or grant to an existing childcare facility; need to use revenue loss calculator to determine if the County had a loss of revenue; discussion of how everyone can work together to determine how to use the funds; quarterly reports will be due. Peterson agreed to continue to help the County navigate the process of utilizing the funds.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m., to reconvene on August 31, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the August 10, 2021 meeting and an agenda for the August 31 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes are also available on the County website, www.co.valley.ne.us.

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The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in emergency session in their Courthouse meeting room on Thursday, August 26, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., for the purpose of approving the wire transfer of funds for the redemption of a portion of the 2016 bonds. Chairman Sevenker called the meeting to order. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, Waldmann. Absent: VanSlyke. The Clerk verified meeting notice published in the Ord Quiz on August 25, 2021 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. The agenda was adopted on motion of Cullers, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted, public copies on counter. No public comment.

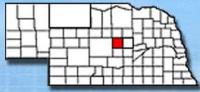
Clerk Musil indicated on the morning of August 30 Piper Sandler will initiate an electronic transfer in the amount of \$267,840 into the County Treasurer's account, the County will send a wire on August 30 to DTCC in the amount of \$266,351.15 for the refunding of the Series 2016 County Building Refunding Bonds, \$1,000 will remain to pay Bond Counsel Fees and the Rounding Amount of \$488.85 will be applied to the next Series 2021 interest payment. Treasurer Brott learned from the State Auditor's office that the Board would have to approve the wire transfer.

Baker made the motion to approve the wire transfer of funds for the redemption of a portion of 2016 Bonds, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

Following portion of sentence corrected at 8-31-2021 meeting: Meeting adjourned at 9:07 a.m. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 a.m., to reconvene on August 31, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the August 26, 2021 meeting and an agenda for the August 31 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes of the August 26, 2021 meeting are also available on the County website, www.co.valley.ne.us.

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The Budget Hearing was opened at 9:00 a.m. Pledge of Allegiance recited, roll call taken: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present. Accountant Chuck Abel was present to review the budget, which must be submitted to the State Auditor by September 20. Abel reviewed Budget Summary documents he prepared regarding valuation and levy information, budgeted receipts and disbursements and projected fund balances and overall balance at the end of 2021. The valuation is 898,280,183. Last year's valuation was 904,853,037, the levy was .33. The County collected \$2,986,015 in taxes last year; if the levy stays the same would collect \$22,000 less in taxes than last year; every penny raise in levy collects \$89,820 more in taxes; if the levy was raised to .34, the County would collect \$3,054,152 in taxes. No member of the public appeared to comment on the budget. Sevenker closed the budget hearing at 9:15 a.m.

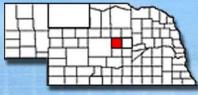
The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session following the Budget Hearing, Tuesday, September 14, 2021 in the Courthouse Boardroom. Roll call taken: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present. Clerk verified meeting notice published in the Ord Quiz on August 18, 2021 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. The minutes of August 30, 2021 were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Waldmann moved to adopt the agenda, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted the Open Meetings Act posted on the west wall, public copies available on the counter. No public comment offered.

VanSlyke moved to approve Resolution 21-18 authorizing an additional 1% increase in the 2021-2022 fiscal year budget, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: Baker. Absent: none. Resolution 21-19 adopting the budget as published with the exception of increasing the levy to .34 was approved on motion of Cullers, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Cullers, Waldmann. No: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. Absent: none. The Hearing to Set the Final Tax Request was opened at 9:45 a.m. No members of the public were present. Resolution 21-20 setting the Final Tax Request was approved on motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. Absent: none. VanSlyke moved to approve Resolution 21-21 authorizing the Treasurer and Clerk to transfer funds from the General Fund to the Road, Planning & Zoning and Weed Funds as needed to meet their obligations, not to exceed the budgeted amount allowed by the Board, since they do not have their own levy, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

Road Superintendent Meyers' General Report included: finished overlaying the Comstock Rd; no overlay of Fort Rd this year, humidity too high; patching Sargent-Ord Rd; will discuss using ARPA funds to replace some bridges with box culverts with Jon Cannon from NACO, price of steel is high, price of concrete is stable; will cut trees; one employee is retiring.

Kristina Foth and Katie Walmsley, Economic Development, joined the report of the meeting held on September 13 between representatives of Ord City, Valley County, Ord Area Chamber of Commerce and GLVA concerning Economic Development; present for Economic Development were Gaylord Boilesen, Dan Vech, Waldmann, Nancy Glaubke, Lindsay Gumb Roberts; VCED staff Foth and Walmsley; Cullers and Sevenker for the County; David Kusek, Jeramy Sedlacek, City Attorney Heather Sikyta for Ord City; Russ Blaha, Curt Sikyta, Tom Kruml present for GLVA; Amber Mentzer and Becky Ries present for Ord Area Chamber of Commerce; letter outlining the response of Economic Development to the concerns of the City was sent and emailed August 26, not on agenda for September 8 City Council meeting; sit down meeting between Ord City and Economic Development Board has been scheduled for September 21.

Diana Hurlburt and Alma Beland joined the meeting to hear Jon Cannon, Executive Director of NACO, present information about the ARPA funds. Cannon stated funds were the first direct allocation from the Federal Government to Counties, Valley County will receive \$807,000; four eligible expenditure categories: 1) Public Health – response to public health emergency; Public Health District could receive money, County's responsibility to determine if money is used correctly and proper accounting is in place; can create a Block Grant, NACO has sample grant application, allocations would come from the County, applicant would have to account to the County for use of the funds; If can prove the ambulance traveled greater miles because of COVID, could use funds to make a payment; If parents stayed at home instead of working because of lack of childcare, County can grant funds to a non-profit to establish a childcare facility; new windows in jail could improve ventilation; can make an intergovernmental transfer to Region 26 to cover Valley



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County's assessment. 2) Negative Economic Impacts – loss of revenue, no loss for Valley County. 3) Infrastructure – necessary investment in water, sewer and broadband; soft water would put less stress on equipment; can be used for replacing bridges with box culverts if can show the result is cleaner water flowing into rivers, show work; Broadband allows people to work from anywhere, provides better service to rural communities, work with local providers, can redesignate the funds if cannot be used for Broadband. 4) Premium pay for essential workers – pay a bonus up to \$25,000 or \$13 per hour to employees for two years, elected officials are not eligible because salaries are set every four years. VanSlyke shared that the Region 26 Board is proposing a legislative bill that would add \$5 to park permits to be split between Emergency Management & 911 Centers, add \$5 fee to camping sites which would go to the Emergency Management & 911 Center serving the area.

County Attorney Hanson agreed to look over the engagement letter from Lutz & Company to provide consulting services as deemed necessary to assist in use of Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, Mark DeDiana from Lutz & Co will attend the September 28 Board meeting to discuss the services available.

Meeting recessed at 11:30 a.m., reconvened at 11:40 a.m. with all members present.

Sheriff Hurlburt presented Quarterly Report listing all expenses for Sheriff's office and jail and income; one officer in hospital due to COVID. Sevenker said two bids received to replace windows in jail, some windows will open: Ord Glass and Paint bid \$13,023.38, Sandhills Glass bid \$13,775 if paid before installation and \$14,500 if paid after installation. Cullers moved to accept the low bid from Ord Glass and Paint, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

The Treasurer's Fund Balance Report for August was reviewed: General \$902,403.66, Road \$320,967.14, Inheritance \$180,277.95, Debt Service \$171,335.86; total collected \$4,377,758. Misc. Receipts folder available for review.

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

The Update from the U.S. Treasury on ARP Recovery Fund Reports, Agenda for Central District meeting in Kearney on September 16, NACO Legislative Conference on October 14 in Holdrege, NIRMA Self Defense for County Officials Conference in Kearney on October 21-22, NIRMA Annual Membership Meeting in Kearney on October 22, nominations for 3 positions on the NIRMA Board of Directors due by September 27 and National Brownfields Training Conference on December 8-11 in Oklahoma, travel stipends offered by NE Department of Environment and Energy were noted.

The TERC hearings for Valley Rods Unlimited, Karp and Krow, Inc. and Valley Performing Arts Theater, Inc. have been continued to a date to be determined, a member of the Valley County Board of Equalization as a party to the case should attend.

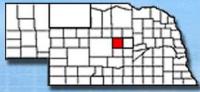
The Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$29,693.09 were approved on motion of Baker, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

The Region 26 minutes were reviewed, VanSlyke said Region 26 is short two dispatchers, still discussing assessment being based on 50% basis and 50% population. Board will not request a health insurance quote from NACO.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m., to reconvene on September 28, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the September 14 meeting and an agenda for the September 28 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk.

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Road Secretary Simpson reviewed the September Road Payroll/Claims: Accounts Payable \$195,417.25, Payroll \$53,678.94, larger expenses include diesel, blades, HFE 300, parts, labor, oil, rental, red rock, gravel, barricades, pavement marking tape; \$157,849.16 transferred from General, Highway Allocation for September is \$90,704.24. In the absence of Road Superintendent Meyer, Simpson reported carbide blades were purchased for all the machines.

The NACO Legislative Conference, NIRMA Self Defense for County Officials Conference and NIRMA Annual Membership Meeting were noted.

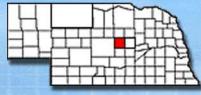
Cullers and VanSlyke reported on the Central District meeting; fifty Nebraska counties have passed resolutions opposing the 30x30 program; information presented about contracts for the CRP land conservation program administered by FSA, easements may be attached, easements may go with the property even if ownership changes, payments are increasing to attract people, owner pays no taxes, counties will lose tax dollars; will contact the local FSA office about speaking to the Board concerning the contracts.

UNO, County vendor for redistricting, has completed digitizing the 2010 Boundaries, importing the 2020 population counts and analyzing the equality of total population across precincts, district boundaries may need minor changes.

Mark DeDiana from Lutz & Company, preferred vendor of NACO, explained services provided to assist counties with compliance procedures for the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds; counties responsible for ensuring funds are used for eligible purposes and no fraud associated with the award; use of funds must fall into one of four categories: response to public health emergency or negative economic impacts, premium pay to essential workers, provision of government services to the extent of reduction in revenue and investments in water, sewer or broadband infrastructure; counties have to give reasons why an expense is acceptable to grant funds; will assist the County in preparation for a Single Audit if needed, Single Audit for counties spending over \$750,000 in a single year, do not spend all funds in a single year; will bill only if the services are used, signing the engagement letter is not an obligation, ARPA funds can be used to pay any fees owed to Lutz. Cullers moved to sign the engagement letter with Lutz & Company, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Hospital CEO Nancy Glaubke presented the Hospice Renewal Licensure Application for signing. Waldmann moved to sign the Hospice Licensure, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. Glaubke stated hospitalizations for COVID are down, Valley County in the top 5 for COVID positive cases in Nebraska, 70% of hospital workers have been vaccinated, nursing and labs are low on employees, limited supplies of COVID tests, doctor covers ER from 8-5 and after 5 on call. Hospital CFO Ashley Woodward said audit went well, will present results in December; reviewed the financial and statistical information: census down, ER up, radiology up, home health down, hospice down, gross patient revenue down, salaries up, benefits down, contract staffing up.

Kristina Foth and Katie Walmsley from Valley County Economic Development reported on the meeting with the Ord City Council; changes to terms were made to a loan from sales tax for a unique situation, loan committee recommends all loans, loans are approved by the City Council, concerns have been addressed, ED Board administers the loan tax money, City Attorney is drafting a contract between the City and the ED Board, will be reviewed by the ED Board, taxes are to be used Countywide. A letter was signed by Sevenker requesting a current list of licensed lodging facilities in Valley County from the Department of Revenue on behalf of the Board and Valley County Tourism Committee, will help determine the reason for significant decrease in lodging tax collections for the months of May 2021



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and June 2021. A local team is exploring the process for the county-wide community to become a Nebraska Creative District, the Creative District Program is run by the NE Arts Council, the community would be able to apply for a \$10,000 Certification grant and for up to \$250,000 Development Grant, Valley County Tourism could act as the local government partner, no financial obligation from any partner. Waldmann made the motion to name Valley County Tourism as government entity for the Creative District Program, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

County Attorney Hanson will research a resolution opposing the 30x30 program, there will be a jury trial in November and two jury trials in December.

The bids on surplus County property were reviewed; one tie bid, will request parties involved submit a sealed bid to determine the winning bid. VanSlyke moved to accept the highest bids for surplus County property except for the tie bid, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

September claims and fund request in the amount of \$607,518.45 were approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

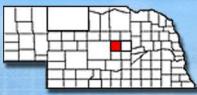
Following sentence corrected at 10-12-21 meeting: **Several Board members received an email from two residents of the County asking for opposition to vaccine mandates and the passport program.** Several Board members received an email from two residents of the County asking for opposition to mask mandates and the passport program; Cullers contacted the senders, senders gave consent to send the email to the State Senators and not the Board members.

Mail Folder: Central NE Community Action Partnership Recap

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m., to reconvene on October 12 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of September 28 meeting and agenda for October 12 meeting available for public inspection in office of County Clerk and on County website www.co.valley.ne.us.

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The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 12, 2021 in the Courthouse Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, Waldmann present; absent VanSlyke (excused). Clerk verified meeting notice published in the Ord Quiz on September 22, 2021 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. Cullers indicated the minutes of the September 28 meeting should be corrected to state "Several Board members received an email from two residents of the County asking for opposition to vaccine mandates" not mask mandates. The corrected minutes of the September 28, 2021 meeting were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. Agenda adopted on motion of Cullers, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall of Boardroom, public copies available on the counter. There was no public comment.

Road Superintendent Meyer's General Report included: finished armor coating; finished concrete patching on Sargent Road; striping done, new company did a good job, more beads were used to make the paint brighter, paint thicker; will be gone for three days for a bridge inspection refresher course; looking for snow plow truck to replace the one that was upset, advertising for open position.

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

Treasurer Brott reviewed the Month End Fund Report collections and balances for September, General balance \$758,027.35, Road \$320,625.01, Relief \$51,018.71, Inheritance \$179,978.67. Total collected \$1,305,470. Four Pledge Security Releases for First National Bank were reviewed. Misc. Receipts folder available for review.

Baker said Coronavirus Fiscal Recovery Funds can be utilized for reimbursement for payments for the ambulance if the ambulance traveled more miles in 2020 than 2019, Sevenker will check with the Hospital to obtain the mileage. The deadline for the first Project and Expenditure Report has been changed from October 31, 2021 to January 31, 2022; application for request for Recovery Funds needs to be drawn up, will check with NACO for example of form.

The NACO Legislative Conference on October 14 in Holdrege, NIRMA Self Defense for County Officials Conference in Kearney on October 21-22, NIRMA Annual Membership Meeting in Kearney on October 22 and the retirement of Deann Haeffner from the Nebraska State Auditor's office were noted.

Kristina Foth presented the Valley County Economic Development Quarterly Report; sales tax year begins October 1, \$684,487 available in savings account, \$1,522,993 re-use funds available, 8 loan inquiries, 2 loans approved; E3 Core Team members will take part in peer learning sessions with five other communities to utilize the e2 Development Framework to develop entrepreneurship to support businesses; in contact with owners of former Orschelns building, prospective buyer and Executive Vice President and General Manager of Orschelns properties about use restrictions tied to the property; in contact with CNEDD and other economic development offices about Good Jobs Challenge Grant for workforce training; researching loan and grant models to address community housing needs; two new Chamber members, distributed 22 Newcomer Packets; determined May and June lodging tax collections were low because some collections were not reported until July; Destination Development Grant awarded \$6,000 to Valley County Historical Society for roof repairs, North Loup River Water Trail Project will receive \$8221 after Phase I of project completed. Katie Walmsley reported on Loup Valley Childhood Initiative; one \$4,000 Start-Up Grant and one \$500 Step Up to Quality Incentive were awarded; created non-profit with purpose of owning and operating childcare center in Ord, working with architecture firm on locations for the center, have eliminated site by elementary school; gathering construction costs.

County Attorney Hanson said 30x30 program seems to be voluntary, aspirational goal set by White House, CRP program is not part of 30x30 program, can pass a resolution stating do not support 30x30 program; individual can service on the Hospital Board as long as there is no business association such as a shareholder or in administration; will continue discussion of 30x30 program and qualifications to serve on the Hospital Board at the next Board meeting.

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

Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$28,642.12 were approved on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

The minutes of the Region 26 Council were reviewed. The Cost Allocation Plan prepared by MAXIMUS for Title IV-D child support was approved on motion of Baker, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, Baker,



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Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. Waldmann will attend the Lower Loup NRD Hazard Mitigation Plan meeting on November 17 in Ord.

Sevenker reported that work has started on the windows in the jail. Waldmann reported that Gaylord Boilson has resigned from the Valley County Economic Development Board, GLVA will appoint a new member.

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

Following review of the calculated levies, Cullers moved to adopt Resolution 21-22 approving the levies for FY 21-22 as calculated by the Treasurer, Assessor and Clerk, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

Baker moved to approve Tax List Correction 3890 for R&D pawn & Antique due to having no personal property, second Cullers. Following discussion of the correction, it was determined the amounts on the form were not correct. Baker withdrew his motion.

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

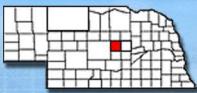
The quarterly jail inspection was conducted prior to the meeting.

Mail Folder items: none

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m., to reconvene on October 26, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the October 12 meeting and an agenda for the October 26 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.

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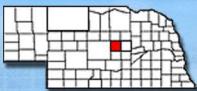
VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 26, 2021 in the Courthouse Boardroom. Pledge of Allegiance recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present. Clerk verified meeting notice published in the Ord Quiz on September 22, 2021 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. Minutes of October 12 meeting were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Abstain: VanSlyke, not present for meeting. The agenda was adopted on motion of VanSlyke, second Baker. 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.

Road Secretary Simpson presented the October Claims Report including: Accounts Payable \$224,986.09, Payroll \$50,200.09; larger expenses include culverts, diesel, parts, HFE 300, HFE 150, rock, gravel, pavement marking; \$184,281.28 transferred from General, Highway Allocation \$87,040.38, Motor Vehicle Fees \$19,803.94. In the absence of Road Superintendent Meyer, Simpson reviewed the State forms. Cetak moved to sign Resolution 21-23 authorizing the County Board Chairman to sign the Certification of Program Compliance Form 2021, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. Waldmann moved to sign the Certification of Program Compliance to NE Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Cullers moved to sign the Road and Bridge Contracts Report noting no contract projects costing in excess of \$20,000 were completed this FY, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Addendum-LB904 showing that Valley County does not have a Local Option Sales Tax was signed on motion of Waldmann, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. 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: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Simpson presented information concerning the lease purchase of two 2008 Mack dump trucks with snow plows, preliminary numbers for 5 year repayment schedule from Piper Sandler for total of \$163,200. Baker moved to approve the purchase of two 2008 Mack dump trucks with snow plows, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. The motion was made by Cullers to finance the purchase with D.A. Davidson, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Hospital CEO Nancy Glaubke reported Nicholas Reed, PA will start in January and Nurse Practitioner Jenna Hilker will start in the spring; elective surgeries resuming; no transfers accepted in Omaha due to COVID numbers; COVID boosters available; hoping weekly testing may be allowed in place of mandated COVID vaccine for employees not wanting vaccine, possibility that Medicare and Medicaid payments can be cut off if mandate not followed, huge impact on rural hospitals. Baker moved to sign the hospital licensure renewal, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. Michelle Zanger's letter of resignation from the Hospital Board effective after the last meeting in December was reviewed, Kristi Hagstrom had expressed interest in serving on the Board. County Attorney Hanson said the only requirements to serve on the Hospital Board are to be a resident of Valley County and of majority age, employee could serve on the Board but not vote if a conflict of interest. Glaubke feels there can be a perception of favoring if an employee is on the Board, an employee present at a meeting can speak at the round table discussion at the end of the meeting. The position will be advertised for two weeks, appointment made at November 30 meeting. Mileage information received from the hospital indicates that the ambulance traveled more miles in 2020 than in 2021, County eligible for reimbursement of two ambulance payments from ARPA funds. CFO Ashley Woodward presented the monthly financials: swingbed down, ER up, OR down, radiology up, Hospice and Home Health down, gross patient revenue up for the year, outpatient services up, salaries up and benefits down, contracted services up, loss for the month. Received two contributions from Second Hand Rose.

Meeting recessed at 10:25 a.m. and reconvened at 10:35 a.m. with all members present.



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County Attorney Hanson presented a proposed resolution addressing the 30x30 program, executive order is an aspirational goal, no oversite agency, no act of Congress, easements are not always lifetime. Discussion followed concerning easements that have to be approved by the County Board, majority of easements are non-governmental, need more information from the State Assessor, Board's only concern is conservation easements, discussion continued to the next meeting. The Opioid Litigation Settlements involve distributions of money on an annual basis to a state fund and direct distributions to certain participating subdivisions, Valley County's settlement will most likely be minimal, will sign at the next meeting.

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

Tax List Correction #3890 for R&D Pawn & Antique due to no personal property, was approved on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Waltman presented a report of levies for 2021 to 2022 for the Board to review, ag land valuations went down 8%. The Stanard Appraisal Services Inc. Maintenance Agreement was approved on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

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

Tami Fox with the State Probation office requested the use of the Courthouse lobby by Probation officer Misty Youngquist for a class from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 7, up to 10 people will attend. Baker made the motion to allow Probation the use of the Courthouse Lobby, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none.

Waldmann will attend the second phase Lower Loup NRD Hazard Mitigation Plan meeting on November 17 in Ord. The speakers for the NACO Annual Conference general and breakout sessions and request to vote for Diana Hurlburt for NACO Executive Board Secretary/Treasurer position were noted. The preliminary graphic developed by UNO of boundary changes for Supervisor's subdistricts was reviewed.

October Claims and Fund Request were reviewed and approved in the amount of \$696,911.35 on motion of Cullers, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

The North Loup River Public Power and Irrigation District is requesting a current FSA map from each water user so the District can provide to the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources an accurate map of where water is being utilized, VanSlyke will request a map. VanSlyke was designated as the alternate to Sevenker to vote for the NACO officers at the NACO Conference.

Baker moved to allow the use of the Courthouse steps and lawn by FCCLA for the Halloween parade on October 29, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. DeRiso made the motion to allow signs for the play-off football game on the Courthouse lawn, second Baker. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none. Baker left at 11:45 a.m. NACO is asking County Boards to contact their U.S. House Representatives to urge them to pass the State, Local, Tribal and Territorial Fiscal Recovery, Infrastructure and Disaster Relief Flexibility Act which would allow counties to allocate up to \$10 million in ARPA Recovery funds for the provision of government services without being required to calculate revenue loss.

Committee Reports: Cullers reported Region 3 will cover the County's expenses not covered by Medicaid for boarding a prisoner in a secure care facility, Region 3 was the target of a ransomware attack. Cullers also reported the Wozab Fund ending balance was \$1,371,764.42, income loss for the period was \$5,076.20; expenses \$5,371.29. VanSlyke reported on the legislative meeting, add \$5 to a camping permit which would go to the emergency management Region in the area. Cetak reported Mid-Nebraska is short of help, will attend a meeting concerning insurance.

Mail Folder items: none

At 12:15 p.m. the meeting adjourned to reconvene on November 9, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the October 26 meeting and an agenda for the November 9 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete minutes are also available on the County website, www.co.valley.ne.us.

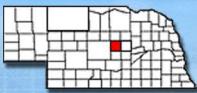


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The terms for a lease-purchase agreement with NACO Leasing Corporation for the purchase of two Mack dump trucks were reviewed, principal amount \$161,224.49, interest rate 1.100%, terms November 23, 2021 through July 15, 2026. Cetak moved to sign Resolution 21-24 Approving, Adopting, Ratifying and Affirming the Execution and Performance of a Lease-Purchase Agreement with NACO Leasing Corporation for Acquisition of two 2008 Mack dump trucks, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Baker and VanSlyke.

Road Superintendent Meyer's General Report included: completed bridge certification training; fuel contract finished for year, will not lock in fuel prices at this time, hope prices will go down; culvert by Cox's done; truck tipped over, trailer not damaged, truck totaled, received \$16,700 from NIRMA, bought back for salvage; fuel delivery driver overflowed the tank, Trotter will pay the County to clean up. The employees of the Road's Department would like the effective date of coverage for AFLAC to be changed from February 1 to January 1 as it is for Principal and Colonial Life, open enrollment would be in December, would be easier to compare coverages, will get paperwork for change of date. Baker arrived at 9:30 a.m.

Katie Walmsley, Deputy Director Ord Area Chamber of Commerce, requested the use of the Courthouse lawn for the WinterFest Snowball Drop November 27 at 10:00 a.m. Baker moved to allow use of the Courthouse lawn, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

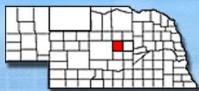
Following review of Resolution 21-25 presented by County Attorney Hanson, Baker made the motion to sign Resolution 21-25 in Opposition to the 30x30 Program (Executive Order 14008), second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. Hanson reported a Conversation Easement Application and applicable deed is filed with the Board for approval by the owner of the real estate, **(Corrected 11/30/19) Hanson reported a Conservation not Conversation Easement Application and applicable deed is filled with the Board for approval by the owner of the real estate**, Easement referred to Planning and Zoning which has 60 days to comment, goes back to Board for approval or denial, then filed with the Register of Deeds for filing in the public record. After discussion of information received from NACO concerning the National Opioid Litigation Settlement, Cullers moved to sign on to the settlement agreement and become eligible for a direct share of the settlement proceeds, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke. Hanson will review the Mental Health Board contract with Adams County, County officer has to transport the person to the hearing every time they appear, sometimes the hearing does not happen, would like to have more control; jury trials December 2-3 and 16-17.

Meeting recessed at 10:00 a.m. and reconvened at 10:15 a.m. with VanSlyke absent.

Treasurer Brott presented the Month End Fund Report: General Fund balance \$417,155.91, Road \$338,788.59, Relief \$50,348.09, Inheritance \$182,760.42, total collected \$626,763. Distress Warrants were delivered to the Sheriff for collection, 36 Warrants for a total of \$12,716.02. The Misc. Receipts Folder was available for review.

Cullers moved to reappointment Barb Dorsey to the Extension Board following the request of Kayla Hinrichs, Extension Educator, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

Dustin Will and Dan Duran from Benefit Management presented information about the current County employee health insurance plan with United HealthCare; dental, vision, critical illness and accident coverage with Principal and life insurance, long-term disability and short-term disability with Lincoln Financial Group. UHC coverage will increase 14.31%, BCBSNE Silver 17.52%, BCBSNE Bronze 10.36%, Medica 8.37% or 8.48%. The motion to go with



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the Medica \$7,050 deductible plan was made by Cullers, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

The Clerk of the District Court monthly fee report was reviewed, the County Clerk report will be presented at the next meeting.

Clerk Musil presented a sample template from NACO of an application for ARPA recovery funds as loans, grants or in-kind assistance for eligible small businesses, nonprofits, households and impacted businesses, will use the application to help determine eligibility.

Waldmann will not be able to attend the November 17 meeting of the second phase of updating the Lower Loup NRD Hazard Mitigation Plan, Sevenker will attend.

The Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$29,543.09 were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: VanSlyke.

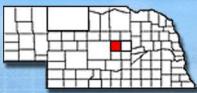
Committee Reports: DeRiso will attend an in-person Mid-Plains meeting, Mid Plains is asking members to rate the CEO; Cetak attended a Mid-Nebraska meeting and meeting concerning insurance for Mid-Nebraska; Waldmann reported Zeb Augustyn was appointed to replace Gaylord Boilesen on the Economic Development Board.

Mail Folder items: None

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m., to reconvene on November 30, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the November 9 meeting and an agenda for the November 30 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the County website www.co.valley.ne.us.

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The Claims and Fund Request information was reviewed. VanSlyke moved to approve the November Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$439,240.02, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Road Secretary Simpson presented the monthly Claims Report including: diesel, pickup, parts, gravel, rock, sand, demurrage; payroll \$50,114.26; claims \$79,020.82; transfer \$4,951.35; Highway Allocation \$81,749.63. Simpson explained demurrage is a penalty for taking too long to unload oil used for asphalt mix. Road Superintendent Meyer said they used to be allowed 2 hours to unload, now allowed 90 minutes, difficult when have to haul to different sites, County has charged demurrage when trucks were late.

VanSlyke moved to sign Resolution 21-26 authorizing the County Board Chairman to sign the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent Form 2021, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker. Cullers moved to sign the Year-End Certification of County Highway Superintendent, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker.

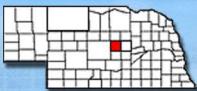
Meyer's General Report included: repaired culvert; road north of old Fairplay school had a blind curve, back sloped the bank, minimum maintenance road had eroded, put vent pipe under road to keep irrigation water off road, added dirt; will pick up two dump trucks in Minnesota, the AFLAC representative will be here.

Hospital CEO Nancy Glaubke reported what appears to be a loss in the October Financial Report was an account issue instead of loss of cash; vaccine mandate was halted for states if a member of the lawsuit filed in Missouri, 70% of hospital employees are vaccinated, new employees have been warned about the mandate; Cullers attended the CNEED meeting, learned Glaubke has taken the initiative to pursue a grant to purchase an ambulance, cost would be \$300,000, most hospitals do not own an ambulance. There were five applications for a replacement for Michelle Zanger who has resigned from the Hospital Board effective after the last meeting in December. The five were Jessalyn Crawford, Dr. Hilary Miller, MD, Charles Zanger, Kristi Hagstrom and Timothy Stethem. Each member of the Board marked ballots which were tabulated by Clerk Musil and Clerk's office employee Whited. DeRiso moved to appoint Charles Zanger to the Hospital Board to serve the remainder of Michelle Zanger's term from January 1, 2022 to April 30, 2023, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Baker. Cullers will send thank you letters to the other applicants.

Healing Hearts and Families has added four additional Counties. County Attorney Hanson explained he refers juveniles for services, repeat offenders go through the Court system. Students who miss 20 or more days of school are referred for services; funded by grants. Cetak made the motion to sign the Memorandum of Understanding, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Meeting recessed at 10:15 a.m. and reconvened at 10:30 a.m. with Baker absent. The County Clerk monthly fee report was reviewed.

The ARPA webinars Usage Series with Esri and NACo, NPERS FAQs about COVID-19 Hazard Pay or Premium Pay, NACo guidance on taxability reporting of payments from Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds and the 2021 NACo Annual Conference Agenda were noted.



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Sevenker reported on attending the Lower Loup NRD District Hazard Mitigation Plan Meeting, Emergency Managers Ryan Simpson and Scott Philbrick attended and filled out questions, meeting lasted 30-40 minutes. Discussion of County official's 2023-2026 salaries was started, 2018 -2022 salaries reviewed, will ask other Officials what they expect for salaries, continue to next meeting.

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

Tax List Correction #3891 for Keith and Shirley Manchester due to homestead exemption change was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Baker. Tax List Correction #3892 for Gloria Knight Trust due to homestead exemption change was approved on motion of Cullers, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker.

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

Cullers made a motion to designate the Ord Quiz and Grand Island Independent as official County newspapers for 2022, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Baker.

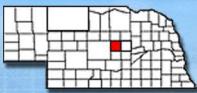
The minutes of the Region 26 Council, the NPDES general permit for operations confining cattle for Jackson Feedlot, LLC, the NPDES general permit for operations confining cattle for Hackel Cattle and the NPDES general permit for operations confining cattle for Triple T Farms were reviewed. Valley County received a membership dividend of \$4,682 from NIRMA.

Committee Reports: Cullers will send a thank you to Michelle Zanger for her years of service on the Hospital Board. Cullers also checked with Great Western Bank concerning the reward's points on the County credit card, will issue a check to the Treasurer for value of points. Cullers reported for CNEDD, \$5,000,000 available to pay rent and mortgages if impacted by COVID-19. DeRiso reported Mid-Plains requested representatives perform a job evaluation for the CEO, did not feel qualified since he sees her 4 times a year, last year CEO received 4% increase and bonus, should receive the same this year, DeRiso only one who voted against the increase. Cullers will research the gazebo which was on the Courthouse lawn, would like to rebuild and dedicate to John Wozab.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m., to reconvene on December 14, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the November 30 meeting and an agenda for the December 14 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the County website www.co.valley.ne.us.

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

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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 14, 2021 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 in the Ord Quiz on November 17, 2021 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. Minutes of the November 30, 2021 meeting were reviewed, Cullers stated if the gazebo was rebuilt, she would want to honor Alice and John Wozab. DeRiso moved to approve the minutes, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Baker. Cullers moved to adopt the agenda, 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 available. There was no public comment.

Weed Superintendent Darrell Kaminski presented the 2022 Weed Control Plan for review, new form, report of what was done and what expect to get done; County has 11 open files; error on infestation report was corrected; will approve at December 28 meeting.

On recommendation of Road Superintendent Meyer, Cetak moved to approve refunding Easement 20-442 for Kevin Nevriv, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Baker. Meyer's General Report included: snow plow trucks work well; will work on curve north of Fairplay school; short on storage, moved blade from Elyria to Ord, will remove the fuel tank, move asphalt equipment to shed in Elyria; NACO meetings not educational; CDL driving tests are no longer given in Ord, after February 7 to obtain or upgrade a CDL must go to driving school for 5-8 weeks in Lincoln, Hastings or North Platte, cost from \$1,000-\$4,000, 50 hours training behind the wheel, looking into process to become an instructor; presentation at NACO meeting on chemical which can be mixed with dirt, becomes hard as rock, cost \$6,300 per mile, try in couple of locations, will send core sample.

The County Clerk and Clerk of District Court monthly fee reports were reviewed. The pros and cons of relinquishing District Court to the State in the future were discussed, would save County money, District Court Clerk position filled, lose local control, combination of County Court and District Court working well in seven Counties, continue discussion to next meeting.

Board recessed at 10:20 a.m. and reconvened at 10:40 a.m. with Baker absent.

Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds can be used for maintenance of roads as well as bridges if Congress passes bills that eliminates loss of revenue necessary to use funds, report due January 31, can be used for childcare, payments for ambulance, replacement of jail windows and tuck pointing of Courthouse.

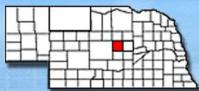
Treasurer Brott presented the Month End Fund Report: General Fund balance \$265,602.67, Road \$313,420.59, Relief \$49,712.36, Inheritance \$185,345.48, total collected \$443,179. Pledge security was released for First National Bank. Resolution 21-26, designating depositories the County Treasurer may use, was approved on motion of Waldmann, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker.

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

Tax List Correction of Correction #3893 for Gloria Knight Trust due to homestead exemption change was approved on motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: Baker.

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

County Attorney Hanson informed the Board it is a courtesy to an employee not a right of an employee to be present in executive session if their employment is discussed, no action can be taken while in executive session; jury trials will most likely be continued to May; criminal cases have the right to trial in venue where crime committed so could not be moved if State takes over District Court, slightly in favor of central control of courts; County Court trial next week will not occur; need mental health board to be full time; if County Attorney position full time would



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eliminate conflict of interest and need for county appointed attorneys; give input in writing concerning officials salaries for 2023-2026.

Assessor Waltman presented a comparison of officials' salaries with counties close in valuation to Valley County, Valley County salaries lower than many. Sevenker feels information on benefits needed. Clerk Musil would like to see increase of salaries for employees. Information from Sheriff Hurlburt was given out to the Board to review, average sheriff making \$75,000, no information concerning number of deputies. Continue discussion of 2023-2026 officials' salaries to next meeting.

Cullers believes employees should get bonuses for working during COVID using Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds received, same amount for all employees. Continue discussion to next meeting.

The Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$28,792.12 were approved on motion of Cullers, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Baker.

The list of 2022 State and Federal Holidays for Nebraska was presented. VanSlyke moved to approve all holidays except Juneteenth, second DeRiso. Not carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: Cullers, Cetak, Sevenker. Absent: Baker. Motion tabled to next meeting.

The renewal rates for Principal dental, vision, critical illness and accident coverage were reviewed, only dental rates are changing, 4.9% increase. NPDES General Permit for Operations Confining Cattle for Novak Feedlot was reviewed. Last year Counties received a free year of NE Chamber membership. Cullers made the motion to not renew NE Chamber membership, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker.

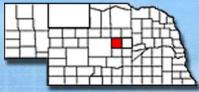
Committee Reports: Waldmann reported Kristina Foth is resigning from the Economic Development Board. VanSlyke said the Emergency Management Regions are requesting \$5,000,000 of available funds, increase of tax on cell phones will not go to the Regions, State will use the funds for broadband.

Mail Folder items: Siktya Christmas Greetings.

Meeting adjourned at 12:25 a.m., to reconvene on December 28, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the December 14, 2021 meeting and an agenda for the December 28, 2021 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the County website www.co.valley.ne.us.

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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on Tuesday, December 28, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. 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 in the Ord Quiz on November 17, 2021 and posted on the County website, agenda posted. The minutes of December 14, 2021 were approved on the motion of VanSlyke, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Abstain: Baker, not present for meeting. VanSlyke moved to adopt the agenda, second Baker. 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. Under public comment Guy Brock stated he will be circulating the Freedom Petition again which would put on the city ballot only the issue of decommissioning the Ord City Police Department and replacing with the Valley County Sheriff's Office; City filed suit in District Court to stop Brock from writing letters to the City, publishing damaging articles and circulating the petition, suit dismissed in Court; Brock's attorney sent a claim for \$2,686 for cost of Brock's defense to the City Council, claim was denied; Brock filed a suit against the City in U.S. District Court for violating his First Amendment rights, a settlement agreement between the City's insurance company and Brock for \$16,000 was reached after the Court denied the qualified immunity claim of the City.

Road Secretary Simpson reported the December Claims including: tires, parts, plasma cutter, fire extinguishers, diesel, gravel, rental; payroll \$50,003.53, accounts payable \$65,737.96, transfer \$16,926.01, allocation \$79,465.11.

Road Superintendent Meyer's General Report included: put up snow fence; finished project by the Fairplay school, corner no longer sharp or blind; blading roads; will start sign audit; received NIRMA Assist grant for \$1,126 to purchase fire extinguishers, Courthouse and Roads Department use different inspectors for fire extinguishers, Roads has 60 extinguishers, may be cheaper to use same inspector, will look into for next meeting; nothing on 1 and 6 year plans that qualify for ARPA.

Weed Superintendent Darrell Kaminski presented the 2022 Weed Control Plan for review with attached reports for each open file listed by Section, Township and Range; adequate control of noxious weeds.

Hospital CFO Ashley Woodward presented the audit report, cash decreased due to COVID funds that were sent back, temporary help increased, long-term debt decreased \$6.9M, purchases going up as age of building goes up. Woodward also presented the monthly financials: ER up; radiology up; Hospice and Home Health down, new provider in the area; clinic down; 200% increase of temporary help; health insurance up; IT contracted services up; bonuses paid to employees, based on number of hours worked during COVID.

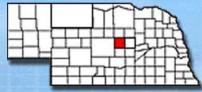
Meeting recessed at 10:05 a.m., reconvened at 10:38 a.m. with Baker leaving at 10:20 a.m.

County Attorney Hanson informed the Board that mandatory electronic court filing will begin January 1, 2022, will present his recommendations concerning official's salaries for 2023-2026 at the next meeting, cases are up, substance abuse has grown worse.

The Board reviewed information sent by Corey Steel, Nebraska State Court Administrator, concerning statutory authority for an agreement to assign ex officio Clerk of the District Court duties to County Court Clerk Magistrate and a template agreement that would be used, will contact Steel to see when he can meet with the Board.

At 11:00 a.m. the Board of Equalization was convened on motion of Waldmann, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Baker. The Clerk, Assessor and Treasurer were present. Motor Vehicle Exemption Applications were presented for Loup Basin RC&D Council, Mid-Nebraska Individual Services, Lee Park Cemetery and Heartland Assembly of God. Following review of the applications, Cullers moved to approve Motor Vehicle Exemption Applications for above named organizations, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Baker. The Board moved back into regular session at 11:05 a.m. on motion of VanSlyke, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: , VanSlyke, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: Baker.

Assessor Waltman and Treasurer Brott were present for the discussion of 2023-2026 officials' salaries. Cullers asked if Waltman could explain the need for a part-time employee in her office, does work other employees do not have time to do. The budget can only increase by 3.5% each year, expenses increase every year, if salaries are increased by the proposed amount the budget will have to be cut in other areas, levy would have to be increased which increases



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taxes. The County's Accountant, Chuck Abel, joined the meeting via telephone, cannot adopt a budget with greater amount of restricted funds than last budget, limitation on restricted funds does not include restricted funds budgeted for capital improvement projects. The discussion of 2023-2026 officials' salaries is continued to the next meeting.

Bonuses for employees except elected officials working during COVID using Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds received were discussed, all employees working during the designated time period would receive a bonus based on the number of hours worked, the time period of November 1, 2020 to October 31, 2021 was considered, continue discussion to the next meeting.

VanSlyke moved to approve the same holidays as approved last year, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: Baker.

The Claims and Fund Request were reviewed. Cullers moved to approve the Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$310,837.37, second Waldmann. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Cullers. No: none. Absent: Baker.

The property schedules for Location, Mobile Equipment and Vehicles were discussed. County department heads are reviewing for accuracy to start the 2022 annual insurance renewal process, needed changes will be made.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m., to reconvene January 11, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and 11:00 a.m. as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the December 28 meeting and an agenda for the January 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.

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