

## Valley County Board of Supervisors Minutes of Proposal for Energy Companies Meeting

January 10, 2024 1:00 p.m.

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in special session on January 10, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. to hear proposals from companies for the HVAC, windows and lighting. First to introduce their proposal was Community Building Solutions. Second to introduce their proposal was Hackel Construction. Third to introduce their proposal was Facility Advocates. Fourth to introduce their proposal was TRANE. The Board didn't make any decisions at this time. The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m. to reconvene on January 16, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and Board of Equalization at 11:00 a.m.

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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES

January 16, 2024 9:00 A.M.

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by Ference. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. Absent, Baker. Committee reports from Ference on Economic Development, Petska on Region 26, and Cetak on Mid-Nebraska. With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m. to reconvene on January 30, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and as Board of Equalization at 11:00 a.m. Complete minutes of December 26, 2023 meeting and Agenda for special meeting January 10, 2024 and Agenda for January 16, 2024 meeting for public inspection in the Office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Absent, Ference. Motion carried. Committee reports: Petska, attended the Tourism Committee meeting and Region 26 meeting, legislative news with Region 26, waiting to hear what comes out of committee. With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:51 a.m. to reconvene on February 27, 2024 in regular session and Board of Equalization at 11:00 a.m. Complete minutes of January 30, 2024 meeting and Agenda for February 13, 2024 meeting for public inspection in the Office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on March 12, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Ference, Petska, Van Slyke. All present. Clerk verified meeting notice at the City Office, Quiz, and on the website. Agenda posted. Motion by Baker to accept the minutes from February 27, 2024. Second by DeRiso. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Cullers to act on the Agenda. Second by Baker. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Open Meetings Act posted on the west wall of the Boardroom. Discussion on the Sanitation bill at the Roads department, it will be added to building and grounds budget for now. Motion by Cetak to approve Easements #24-462 Rodney Nagorski and #24-463 City of Ord. Second by Cullers. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Petska to set hearing for 1 and 6 Year Road plan for April 9, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. Second by DeRiso. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Dale Beethe presented the Board with his annual report on Veteran's Services. The Veterans office had 310 Veterans/family visits; 14 new Veterans enroll; 12 deceased, assisted Ord Memorial Chapel, Sheriff's Office and Ord Police Office; monetary assistance to Veterans Fund \$885.00; disability compensation to Valley County Veterans-\$1,763,000.00; total federal expenditures to Valley County Veterans-\$3,963,000.00(fiscal year 2022). Discussion with Board about attending a Hospital meeting, volunteers were Baker, Petska, DeRiso. Jerry Berggren presented the Board with tax credit information to help fund the HVAC, windows, west steps, and terracotta repair on the Courthouse. Motion by Baker to go with Berggren Architect for an estimate. Second by Cullers. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Planning and Zoning and Weed discussion on mileage and contracts. Mileage of where the home office is for both weed and planning/zoning. Mileage will be from home since neither party has an office in the Courthouse. Contracts will be updated and a mileage form for all offices will be provided. Travel knowledge will be updated in the Employee Handbook. Melani Flynn and Bob Stowell presented the Board with knowledge of Valley Community Foundation. Board recessed at 10:33 a.m. Back in session at 10:38 a.m. Mark Knight presented the Board with Loup Valley Ag Society annual report. Public comment from Dan McKeon running for District 41 legislature State Senator. Motion by Cullers to move Board meeting on May 14, 2024 due to Election day to May 7, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. Second by Baker. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Clerk Bower presented the Board with fees report and putting a camera on the Election drop box. Bower and Danny Vanek will be checking into prices for cameras for the drop box. Bower will also call insurance to see if the garbage gates that were damaged can be turned in on insurance and price with NIRMA on cameras. Treasurer Peggy Brott gave fund balance report, tax sale listing and certification, pledge receipt, miscellaneous receipts and Treasurer's office will be closed on Arbor Day April 26, 2024.

Roger Lansman's 6 year term is ending on April 30, 2024. He isn't seeking another term. The Valley County Board is looking to fill that position. The Wozab application review date is March 25, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. County Boardroom in the Valley County Courthouse. County Attorney Hanson gave his report on the legislature changes on tax sale and tax deed. Discussed the USDA Grant. Motion by DeRiso to approve the Claims and Fund request of \$47,705.82. Second by Ference. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Van Slyke reported on the Region 26 meeting. Cullers wrote a thank you to the Hospital for the efforts to keep the Hospital a critical care facility. With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m. to reconvene on March 25, 2024 to review and act on Wozab applications at 7:00 p.m. and on March 26, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and Board of Equalization at 11:00 a.m. Complete minutes of February 27, 2024 and Agenda for

March 12, 2024 meeting public inspection in the Office of the County Clerk and on the County website  
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Judith Bower  
Valley County Clerk

## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on March 26, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Board room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Ference, Petska. All present. Absent, Baker and Van Slyke. Clerk verified meeting notice at the City Office, Quiz, and on the website. Agenda posted. Motion by Cullers to accept the minutes from March 12, 2024. Second by Ference. DeRiso, Cetak, Petska, Ference, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Absent, Baker, Van Slyke. Motion carried. Baker arrived at 9:05 a.m. Motion by Ference to act on the Agenda. Second by Cetak. Cullers, DeRiso, Cetak, Petska, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Absent, Van Slyke. Motion carried. Open Meetings Act posted on the west wall of the Boardroom. No Public comment. Sandy Simpson presented the roads claims and balances. Motion by Ference to approve the surplus equipment to be sold. Second by Baker. Deriso, Cetak, Petska, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Absent Van Slyke. Motion carried. Discussion on adding turning in monthly mileage to the contracts and the Resolution. Motion by Ference to amend the Resolution #24-5 to add the monthly mileage and to the contracts as well. Second by Baker. Cetak, Petska, Ference, Baker, Cullers, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Absent, Van Slyke. Motion carried. Motion by Ference to amend Resolution #24-6 to include monthly mileage to Travel Expense in the Employee Handbook. Second by Cullers. Petska, Ference, Baker, Cullers, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Absent, Van Slyke. Motion carried. Motion by Baker to move forward with security cameras on the Courthouse. Second by Ference. DeRiso, Cetak, Petska, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Absent, Van Slyke. Motion carried. Motion by Cullers to approve Claims and Fund request of \$366,574.03. Second by Ference. Cetak, Petska, Ference, Baker, Cullers, DeRiso. All Voting, Yes. Absent, Van Slyke. Motion carried. Van Slyke arrived at 9:25 a.m. Valley County Board of Supervisors sitting as Wozab Fund Advisory Committee was unable to meet on March 25, 2024 due to the weather. They will meet on April 8, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. Valley County Courthouse, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Boardroom to review applications. Motion by Baker to accept Resolution #24-7 accepting the resignation of Valley County Sheriff Casey Hurlburt. Second by Ference. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All Voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Van Slyke to advertise to fill the position of Sheriff's term from now until 2027, resumes/applications are due by April 15, 2024 at 4:30 p.m., in the Clerk's Office. Board will make decision on April 30, 2024 during the regular Board of Supervisors meeting. Second by Ference. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All Voting, Yes. Motion carried. Hospital Report from Nancy Glaubke and Ashley Woodward was given. Glaubke reported that 50 students from KHOP will be touring the Hospital and talked to the Board about LB 1087. Woodward reported on the financials. Break at 10:09 a.m. Back in session at 10:24 a.m. Ference reported that Economic Development will be meeting on 3-27-24, Economic Development were also wondering if the Board would match \$5,000.00 for a Business Coach , decision at the next meeting April 9, 2024. Deputy Scheideler reported on Lancaster County Agreement. Motion by Cullers to approve the contract with the Lancaster County Youth Services Center for Juvenile Detention Services. Second by Baker. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. The Board ask Scheideler if he would cover the position in the Sheriff's office until a Sheriff gets hired. Scheideler said he would. Motion by Baker to go into Board of Equalization at 11:00 a.m. Exemption list was discussed. List of questions for next meeting April 9, 2024. TERC Hearing in Broken Bow for Karp and Krow May 23, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.; Valley Performing Arts Theater May 23, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. and Valley Rod Unlimited May 24, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. Motion by Baker to go out of Board of Equalization at 11:10 a.m. Second by Cetak. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Cullers reported about Region 3, budget cuts, next meeting for Region 3 is August 23, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. With no further business meeting was adjourned at 11:16 a.m. to reconvene on April 8, 2024 to review and act on Wozab applications at 7:00 p.m. and on April 9, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and Board of Equalization at 11:00 a.m.

Complete minutes of March 12, 2024 and Agenda for March 26, 2024 meeting public inspection in the Office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on April 9, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Board room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Ference, Petska, Van Slyke. All present. Clerk verified meeting notice at the City Office, Quiz, Ord Township Library, and on the website. Agenda posted. Motion by Cullers to approve minutes from March 26, 2024. Second by DeRiso. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Cullers to approve Agenda. Second by Petska. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Open meetings Act posted on the west wall of the Boardroom. No Public comment. Superintendent Jay Meyer reported on roads, hauling gravel, pay loader, tandem road grading, project on Fort road, sold surplus, asphalt prices have lowered by 5-7 cents, and culverts by Kerry Petska will be here next week. The hearing for the One and Six Year Road plan started at 9:30 a.m. Delayed projects get rolled over to the One year plan. One year plan replace culverts by Kerry Petska, 6-8 mile overlay Sargent Road, plan to double lay 2 inch lifts for Sargent Rd., finish armor coating, bridge by Dennis Hurlburt replace with culvert, accommodate the need for cattle to cross, clay top by Wray's, 2 ½ miles on Haskell Creek Road, would like to concrete a corner on Haskell Creek Road. Not a lot of changes. Six year plan try to keep working on it. Federal Buy back money went down a little. Hearing closed at 9:44 a.m. Motion by Petska to approve Resolution #24-8 to Adopt the One and Six Year Road Plan. Second by Ference. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Ference to approve the Affidavit for the hearing of the Valley County One and Six Year Highway and Street improvement plan was held pursuant to legal notice published. Second by Baker. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Jacob Hurla with Building Communications presented the Board with changes and the final numbers for the heating/air and window caulking with a total of \$835,588.00. Motion by Ference to approve the change order in the contract. Second by Baker. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Andy Forney with DA Davidson presented the Board with a resolution authorizing the issuance of county building bonds to not exceed \$900,000.00 for the purpose of paying for improvements to the Courthouse. Motion by Petska to approve the Resolution. Second by Cullers. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Chuck Green presented the Board with Ord Fire District annual report. Caleb Pollard presented the Board with the Economic Development report, land development on Mortensen site, and business coach. Tabled forming a committee for the County to have for Economic Development. Leslie Sikyta asked for permission to use the Courthouse lawn for Midwest Makers Market on July 6, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Motion by Ference to approve Midwest Makers Market to use the Courthouse lawn. Second by Baker. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Break at 10:58 a.m. Back in session at 11:10 a.m. Motion by Cullers to go into Board of Equalization at 11:10 a.m. Second by Baker. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Discussion on Tax Exempt Applications. Motion by Baker to approve Tax Exempt Applications. Second by Cullers. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Petska voting, No. Motion carried. Motion by Baker to go out of Board of Equalization at 11:23 a.m. Second by Petska. Dave Scheideler and Amanda Peterson presented the Board with the quarterly report from the Sheriff's office. The Board is going to do interviews for Sheriff on April 15, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. Clerk Bower gave clerk fee report and ask if okay to add to the website assisted living information on the County website. Board agreed to it as long as no cost to the County. Lisa Bower gave her District Court and Fees report. Motion by Cullers to approve the Claims and Fund request of \$49,506.37. Second by Cetak. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. County Attorney reminded the Board of the TERC Hearing in Broken Bow on May 23, 2024. Motion by Ference to approve the Wozab applications disbursing \$32,964.00 Second by Petska. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker,



Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Committee Reports from Petska on Veteran Services. Cetak is attending the Mid-NE meeting next Tuesday. Van Slyke reported on Region 26 funding, and legislative report. Central Nebraska Economic Development District needed updated County representatives. John DeRiso will be Member and Johnny Ference will be Alternate Member. With no further business meeting was adjourned at 12:19 p.m. to reconvene on April 30, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and Board of Equalization at 11:00 a.m. Complete minutes from March 26, 2024 and Agenda for April 9, 2024 meeting public inspection in the Office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

April 30, 2024 9:00 A.M.

The Valley County Supervisors met in regular session on April 30, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Board room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cullers, DeRiso, Ference, Petska, Van Slyke. All present. Clerk verified meeting notice at the City Office, Quiz, Ord Township Library, and on the website. Agenda posted. Motion by Petska to approve April 8, 2024 and April 9, 2024 minutes. Second by Ference. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Baker to approve the Agenda. Second by DeRiso. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Open meetings Act posted on the west wall of the Boardroom. Public comment. Stefan Baker informed the Board of the future of the politics in Valley County, which he hoping it is not. Postcard sent in regards to Baker that he wasn't present to all of the meetings, wasn't voting on anything, and facts weren't checked. Baker sent out one in rebuttal. Baker is hoping that our County doesn't devolve into this. Sandy Simpson presented the Board with the payroll and claims for roads department. Superintendent Jay Meyer reported that NIRMA is doing sign audits, CPR and flag training. Meyer also informed the Board about 2 claims that were extra due to damage during snow removal, repair of the Fort road, and tree problems. Jana Olsen and JoAnn Urbanovsky were present to ask for use of the Courthouse lawn for Farmer's Market. Farmer's Market will start on June 14, 2024 and end on September 20, 2024. Hours will be 4:00-6:00 p.m. Motion by Ference to allow the Farmer's Market to use the Courthouse lawn. Second by Baker. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Kristi Hagstrom presented the Board with financials and all the great things that they are providing for our youth and adults from the Ord Township Library. Jerry Berggren and Brennan DeBorer presented the Board with updates on the tax credit, window project, west steps, and terra cotta. Nancy Glaubke presented the Board that the State Surveyors have visited the hospital and that she will be retiring sometime this year. Ashley Woodward presented the Board with financials from the Hospital. Caleb Pollard presented the Board with Economic Development happenings. Working on becoming a 501c3 and property on the Mortensen site. The Board created an Economic Development committee which consists of Baker, Petska, and Ference. Pollard is working on getting a business coach. Five different partners that are on board with getting one. Recommendation from the Tourism Advisory Committee to use \$5,000.00 from the Tourism improvement funds for 3 years to get a business coach. Motion by Baker to allow the funds of \$5,000.00 for the next 3 years to be used for Business coach. Second by Cullers. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Break at 10:25 a.m. Back in session at 10:32 a.m. Motion by Cullers to appoint David Scheideler as Sheriff effective immediately until term ends in January 2027. Second by DeRiso. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Cullers to approve the claims and fund request of \$467,574.06. Second by Baker. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Weed Superintendent Darrell Kaminski via phone call updated the Board about grant money that has been applied for, it is for spraying 9 miles of the Middle Loup and 18 miles of the North Loup river edge. Danny Vanek with building and grounds informed the Board that more updates are needed in the District Courtroom. Vanek is looking into what is needed and cost. County Attorney Hanson reminded the Board of TERC Hearing on May 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Motion by Baker to go into Board of Equalization at 11:00 a.m. Second by DeRiso. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Petska to give permission for Van Slyke to sign the tax list correction. Second by Ference. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Petska to leave Board of Equalization. Second by Baker. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Board no longer needs a bond as of right now. Petska emailed Forney with the information. Motion by Baker to accept the possession and responsibility of the District Courtroom

equipment. Second by Ference. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Committee was formed to find all the cemeteries in the County that are not being maintained. Baker and Ference were selected for said Committee. Everyone in the Courthouse uses the time clocks. Motion by Baker to go into Executive Session for personnel reasons at 11:40 a.m. Second by Baker. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Baker to come out of Executive Session at 11:50 a.m. Second by Petska. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. No decision on personnel was made in Executive Session. Committee Reports from the Gazebo Committee progress on the Gazebo, Mid- Nebraska is moving one more client from the old Miller clinic then will decide what to do with building, Economic Development offering a housing rebate plan. With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m. to reconvene on May 7, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and Board of Equalization at 11:00 a.m. Complete minutes from April 9, 2024 and Agenda for April 30, 2024 meeting public inspection in the Office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us)

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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES  
May 7, 2024 – 9:00 A.M.

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on May 7, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Board room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Ference, Petska, Van Slyke. All present. Clerk verified meeting notice at the City Office, Quiz, Ord Township Library, and on the website. Agenda posted. Motion by DeRiso to approve the April 30 minutes. Second by Baker. Discussion on Minutes add that Election officials do not have to use the time clock. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Open meetings Act posted on the west wall of the Boardroom. No Public comment. Superintendent Jay Meyers report was blading roads, budget preparation, surplus for sale, bought used brush cutter, and spraying. Treasurer Peggy Brott reported on Month end fund report, pledge receipt, and miscellaneous receipts. Weed Superintendent Darrell Kaminski wanted reassurance to send 10 day notices from the Board. Board reassured that Kaminski could do so. Clerk Bower reported that the Register of Deeds budget needs amended due to the cost of microfilming being more. Register of Deeds has the money just need to amend the Budget. Bower will be working with Chuck Abel on this. Election tower needed to be wiped clean for election. Passwords had been changed too many times. Cost of that is \$1, 500.00 to fix that for Elections. It is fixed and ready for 2024 Primary Election. Lisa Bower reported to the Board about District Court fees and fines. Board discussed with Lisa Bower about the budget for 2024-25. County Attorney Hanson reported on the new Open Meetings Act additions. Cetak left the meeting at 9:50 a.m. Lisa Sell, Terri Peirson, Lori Bush presented the Board with annual report for the Arcadia Township Library. They are doing excellent things at the Library. Board recessed at 10:10 a.m. to reconvene at 10:17 a.m. Matt Childers with Applied Connective presented the Board with all that Applied Connective offers to the County with phones, IT and Cyber Security. Motion by Cullers to approve the claims and fund request of \$46,911.67. Second by Petska. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. Absent, Cetak. Motion carried. Motion by Baker to go into Executive session at 10:40 a.m. for personnel reasons. Second by DeRiso. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Absent, Cetak. Motion carried. Motion by Ference to go out of Executive session. Second by Baker. Petska, DeRiso, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Absent, Cetak. Motion carried. No decision was made in Executive session for personnel reasons. Petska reported on Region 26 budget the cost of keeping Region 26 going is increasing. Motion by Baker to go into Board of Equalization at 11:00 a.m. Second by Ference. DeRiso, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Absent, Cetak. Motion carried. County Attorney Hanson presented the Board with TERC information that Valley Arts Theater that had been dismissed. Karp and Krow and Valley Rods Unlimited will still be having a hearing on May 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. Motion by Baker to leave Board of Equalization at 11:12 a.m. Second by Petska. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Absent, Cetak. Motion carried. Motion by Baker to reset time for Board of Equalization to 9:15 a.m. for all of the meetings, unless otherwise noted. Second by Petska. Baker, Cullers, Petska, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. DeRiso, voting, No. Absent, Cetak. Motion carried. Committee Report from Cullers about a plaque for the Gazebo to acknowledge the Wozabs and informational. With no further business the Board adjourned at 11:21 a.m. to reconvene on May 28, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and Board of Equalization at 9:15 a.m. Complete minutes from April 30, 2024 and Agenda for May 7, 2024 meeting public inspection in the Office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING MINUTES  
May 28, 2024 9:00 A.M.

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on May 28, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Ference, Petska, Van Slyke. All present. Clerk verified meeting notice at the City Office, Quiz, Ord Township Library, and on the website. Agenda posted. Motion by Baker to approve minutes from May 7, 2024. Second by DeRiso. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Open meetings Act posted on the west wall of the Boardroom. No Public comment. Motion by Baker to go into Executive session at 9:01 a.m. for personnel reasons. Second by DeRiso. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Ference to come out of Executive session at 9:09 a.m. Second by Baker. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. No decision made during executive session. Motion by Baker to pay regular pay for this month on 2 employees. Second by Ference. Discussion was held on the extra pay for 2 employees, County Attorney Hansen will look into it further. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Sandy Simpson gave road claims report. Discussion on the road claims. Motion by Cullers to approve the date for June 25, 2024 for gravel bids at 9:30 a.m. Second by Petska. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Baker to approve Easements # 24-463 Cameron Dawe and Easements #24-464 Cole Svoboda. Second by Cetak. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Superintendent Meyer reported on shredding trees, hoping to get oil for mix, checking into a new loader. Ference left at 9:25 a.m. Weed Superintendent Kaminski reported that weed notices were out and good responses. Family Heritage Jacob Graff and Wayne Standlea presented the Board with insurance coverage that is optional for the employees, employees can decide if they would like Family Heritage. Nancy Glaubke reported that the Hospital had a deficiency free report, new foundation director and part time Executive Assistant is Jolene Gydesen. Ashley Woodward gave the financial report for the Hospital. Ference returned at 9:51 a.m. Cullers brought the attention of the trees on the Northwest corner of the Courthouse lawn. Economic Development/Chamber of Commerce Katie Wamsley went over the budget for Tourism/Lodging tax and contract with the County Board. Discussion on the contract. Motion by Cullers to approve the agreement with the Chamber of Commerce and Board of Supervisors. Second by DeRiso. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Airport Authority Dave Williams gave annual report on the Airport. County Sheriff Scheideler reported on new hires, looking into a new patrol car to replace the charger, discussion on working with the Ord Police Department with Welch staying as Chief of Police and Sheriff department helping with different shifts, Van Slyke suggested visiting with Mayor Sedlacek, Scheideler will give Sedlacek a call to see when it would be convenient to visit about working together, and Sheriff/Jail budget. Board convened at 11:15 a.m. Board reconvened at 11:21 a.m. Motion by Cetak to go into Board of Equalization at 11:21 a.m. Second by Baker. Motion by Petska to have Protest hearings on June 25, 2024, July 8, 2024 in the p.m. if needed, July 9, 2024, and if needed destroyed property July 30, 2024. Second by DeRiso. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Deputy Assessor Lorry Fleming discussed with the Board about property values and protest hearings. Motion by Ference to leave Board of Equalization at 11:34 a.m. Second by Baker. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. County Attorney Hansen gave report on TERC hearings for Karp and Krow and Valley Rods. The Board will be notified when the Commission makes the decision. It could be months before any answers. Motion by Baker to approve the claims and fund request of \$404,249.35. Second by Cullers. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Treasurer Peggy Brott reported on delinquent taxes and pledge receipt. Motion by Ference to approve a Resolution for the tax sale certificates on all delinquent taxes for 2022 and prior. Second by Baker. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers,

Petska. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Cetak to approve the letter from Valley Rods Unlimited for use of the Courthouse restrooms during the Rod Run on Sunday June 16<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Second by Ference. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. Motion by Cullers to approve the Region 3 County match request of \$10, 568.92 for fiscal year 2024/2025. Second by Cetak. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Cullers to approve the Maximus contract. Second by Baker. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Ference to approve the ACH Originator Security Requirements for 2024/2025 and give Clerk Bower permission to sign the notice. Second by Baker. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Cetak reported on Mid-Nebraska, that the apartments are for sale. Cullers reported on the Gazebo and Region 3 budget cuts, DeRiso reported back on Mid-Plains- the houses that have been bought are being furnished. With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m. to reconvene on June 11, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and Board of Equalization at 9:15 a.m. Complete minutes from May 7, 2024 and Agenda for May 28, 2024 meeting public inspection in the Office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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VALLEY COUNTY SUPERVISORS' MINUTES  
JUNE 11, 2024 9:00 A.M.

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on June 11, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Ference, Petska, Van Slyke. All present. Clerk verified meeting notice at the City Office, Quiz, Ord Township Library, and on the website. Agenda posted. Motion by DeRiso to approve minutes from May 28, 2024. Second by Cullers. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Petska to approve the Agenda. Second by Cullers. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Open Meetings Act posted on the west wall of the Boardroom. Public copies on the counter. No Public comment at this time. Superintendent Meyer reported on the storm damage, spraying road sides, bridge inspections this month, 6 loads of asphalt, gravel bids at 9:30 a.m. on June 25, 2024 purchase of new loader for \$125,000.00 and possible hauling fee of \$2,500.00. Motion by Baker to approve the purchase of new loader and possible hauling fee for \$127,500.00. Second by Ference. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Cetak to go into Board of Equalization at 9:15 a.m. Second by Ference. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Deputy Assessor Lorry Fleming presented the Board with Assessor Certification of Complete Revision 2024 Real Property Assessment, 2024 Notice of Valuation change on the County owned property, Tax Equalization/Review Commission. Discussion on the Assessor certification, County owned Property, and on the Commissions review of the Performing Arts Theater, Valley Rod, Legion in Arcadia, and Karp and Krow for 2024. Motion by Baker to leave Board of Equalization at 9:35 a.m. Second by Ference. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. NACO representative Elaine Menzel presented the Board with information on the workshop June 12-14, 2024, legislative news, district meetings in September, legislature conference in October, and annual conference in December. Motion by Cetak to appoint Craig Trampe to the Hospital Board. Second by Cullers. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Sheriff Scheideler went over the rough draft of the Audit that was done, interlocal agreement with Howard County and working on others, a committee was formed to meet with the Mayor to work together with law enforcement, committee is Petska, Baker, and Cullers. Meeting with Mayor Thursday June 13, 2024. Summary change for the Register of Deeds was discussed, it was published in the Quiz on May 29, 2024, amend the budget of receipts and budget of expenditures to increase by \$5,700.00. Motion by Baker to amend the Register of Deeds Budget by \$5,700.00. Second by Cullers. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Jana Olson with the Golden Husk was present to ask for the use of the Courthouse lawn for the Stars and Stripes concert on July 5, 2024, they will need electricity. Motion by Baker to approve the use of the Courthouse lawn. Second by DeRiso. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Public comment, Heidi Borg with Congressman Adrian Smith's office gave report on happenings in Washington, D.C. Board recessed at 10:28 a.m. and reconvened at 10:35 a.m. Tom and Trevan Kruml were present to discuss the Gazebo supplies on Kruml's lot. Safety was the major concern with the events that are coming up in the future. Buller was contacted by Baker during the meeting. No answer. Gazebo Committee will get a hold of Buller to get supplies secure until the weather cooperates for them to get started on the Gazebo. Treasurer Peggy Brott gave the month end report and miscellaneous receipts. Building and Grounds wage was discussed, with budget being discussed it was suggested to do salary for Maintenance. Scott Philbrick asked to use the Courthouse sidewalks for picnic tables for people to sit at for the Rod Run. Board doesn't see a problem with using the sidewalks. Board will have Board of Equalization at 9:30 a.m. in July. Motion by Cullers to approve the claims and funding request for health insurance, NIRMA and utilities of \$152,067.18. Second by Petska. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. Motion



carried. Committee reports from the Gazebo-looking at safety for the events in the future, publish 2024 Wozab Grant Recipients, Cullers presented a picture of John and Alice and write up for the plaque on the Gazebo. Petska met with Jon Cannon with NACO to discuss the needs of the counties. Wages and payments for the Sheriff department that was requested for back pay for 2 employees was discussed. It has to be paid. Discussion on the Budget. With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:56 a.m. to reconvene on June 25, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and Board of Equalization at 9:15 a.m. Complete minutes from May 28, 2024 and Agenda for June 11, 2024 meeting public inspection in the Office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES  
JUNE 25, 2024 9:00 A.M.

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on June 25, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session in the County Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Ference, Petska, Van Slyke. All present. Clerk verified meeting notice at the City Office, Quiz, Ord Township Library, and on the County website. Agenda posted. Motion by DeRiso to approve the minutes from June 11, 2024. Second by Baker. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Ference to approve the Agenda for June 25, 2024. Second by Baker. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Open Meetings Act posted on the west wall of the County Boardroom. Public copies on the counter. No Public comment at this time. Secretary Sandy Simpson gave the June claims and balance report. Superintendent Jay Meyer reported overlaying on Ashton road with recycled millings, maintaining of gravel roads, and overlaying will begin on Sargent-Ord Rd next week. Motion by Baker to go into Board of Equalization at 9:15 a.m. Second by Ference. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Protest #1 MAT Investments LLC, (Michael Merrill) Parcel # 880036351. Michael Merrill was present to hear the Assessors review. Theresa Petska, Lorri Fleming, and Linda Waltman reviewed the property on June 18, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. Sue Merrill was at the house for the interior review. Some repairs need done; windows have been updated; new shingles; foundation is cracked; kitchen and bathroom updated; house in need of a lot of maintenance. No signs of cattle on property as of yet, fencing needs repair. It was recommended by the Assessor Waltman to change the condition of the house to fair plus and to leave the land as a site. Merrill requested to have the 8 acres to pasture. Motion by DeRiso to approve adjustments of the land to 8.12 acres, leave the house as valued of \$47,060.00, buildings \$17,840.00 and the land \$40,835.00 for a total of \$105,735.00. Second by Ference. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Merrill also discussed with the County Board about road maintenance. As long as his sister lives there he would like it to be maintained. If anything changes, he will notify the Clerk, Roads Superintendent, or County Board of changes. Motion by Baker to leave Board of Equalization at 9:30 a.m. Second by Cullers. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Petska to open Gravel Bids at 9:30 a.m. Second by DeRiso. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Jeffres Sand Gravel the first bid - gravel at the pit: \$16.50 yd, sand: \$7.00 yd, 47B \$16.50 yd, armor coat gravel: \$16.50 yd; ice/salt gravel: \$16.50 yd; 3/8-red/wht rock: \$52.00 ton. Ulrich Gravel the second bid – gravel at the pit: \$16.00 yd, yd mile-.46 a mile; min haul \$3.90 a mile; sand: \$6.25 yd; 47B: \$16.00 yd; 47B: \$16.00; armor coat gravel: \$16.00 yd; mud rock: \$23.50 yd; shaker rock \$23.00 yd; ice/salt gravel \$16.00 yd and 3/8-red/wht rock; \$52.50 ton. Motion by Baker to approve the Gravel Bids for 2024-25. Second by Ference. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Ference to close the hearing and go back into Board of Equalization at 9:41 a.m. Second by Baker. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Assessor Waltman presented the Board with the Overvalued/Undervalued report. Discussion on the report. No destroyed property. Motion by Ference to leave Board of Equalization at 9:46 a.m. Second by DeRiso. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Darrell Kaminski reported on weed notices. He is sending out 10 day notices to Rollie Staab and Ted Nelson. The window is closing for spurge, so he wanted the Board to know that he is notifying land owners. Nancy Glaubke and Ashley Woodward presented the hospital report. Glaubke reported that Craig Trampe is attending orientations for the Hospital Board. Tessa Welniak started last week and Nathan Harms has worked the ER and will officially start on August 12, 2024. Hospice license was renewed. The very first ankle replacement at the Hospital was performed by Dr. Wray. Woodward gave the May financial report. Caleb Pollard gave the Economic Development report.

Pollard met with 2 individuals for development on the Mortensen site. Popcorn USA is making progress on the construction of their building. Pollard will give quarterly report at the July 9, 2024 meeting. Board recessed at 10:20 a.m. Reconvened at 10:29 a.m. Clerk Bower reported on May fees. Bower also asked the Board what thoughts were on pink cards for the Joint Public Hearing in September. Discussion was held, the company has all of the information that is needed for printing, and the printing cost will be \$.50 per card. Motion by Cullers to use CSG to print the pink cards for Joint Public Hearing in September. Second by Cetak. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Cullers to approve claims and funds request of \$947,778.64. Second by Petska. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Discussion on setting dates for Subdivisions/Budget Hearing. Subdivisions hearing will be on August 5, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. Hearing for Departments will be July 29, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. Sheriff Scheideler gave his report on a Interlocal Agreement with Howard County. Motion by Baker to sign the Interlocal Agreement with Howard County. Second by Ference. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Scheideler also discussed with the Board that jail locks need to be inspected. Motion by Ference to do maintenance on the jail locks. Second by Baker. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Discussion about the Interlocal Agreement with the Ord City. The committee will be meeting Thursday 6-27-24 at 5:30 p.m. to make changes with the City. Committee of Van Slyke, Petska, Baker will be meeting Thursday 6-27-24. Wozab grant recipients were in the paper. Discussion of making it bigger for the Quiz and put on the County website. Region 26 meets 6-25-24, will have an update for July meeting; DeRiso reported that Mid-Plains acquired a Detox Center; Cetak reported that Mid-NE has had several inquiries on the apartment building. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m. to reconvene on July 9, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and Board of Equalization at 9:30 a.m. Complete minutes from June 11, 2024 and Agenda for June 25, 2024 meeting public inspection in the Office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING MINUTES  
JULY 9, 2024     9:00 A.M.

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on July 9, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Ference, Petska, Van Slyke. All present. Clerk verified the meeting notice at the City Office, Quiz, Ord Township Library, and on the County website. Agenda posted. Motion by Baker to approve the minutes from June 25, 2024. Second by Ference. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Ference to approve the Agenda for July 9, 2024. Second by Cullers. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Open Meetings Act posted on the west wall of the County Boardroom. Public copies on the counter. Public comment: Rory Petska asked the Board to consider lowering the levy. Also present were Cody Freouf, Grady Gydesen, and Tye Bruha. Board told them that they would consider the options. Superintendent Jay Meyer gave his general report. Also asked the Board if a loader could be surplus. Motion by Baker to sell the loader on auction. Second by Cetak. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Weed Superintendent Kaminski called Van Slyke with Weed report that the notices that he sent out, people are spraying. Motion by Baker to nominate Johnny Ference for another term with Economic Development Board. Second by Cullers. Cetak, Van Slyke, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Abstain, Ference. Motion carried. Motion by Baker to go into Board of Equalization at 9:30 a.m. Second by DeRiso. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Protest #13 Big Curve, LLC, Tom and Trevan Kruml representing this protest. Discussion with Kruml about the valuation being lowered he was agreeable to \$300,000.00 valuation. Motion by Cetak to approve the valuation of \$300,000.00 for Protest# 13 Parcel #880028602. Second by DeRiso. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Protest #2, #3, #4, #5, #6 Sterlin Ritz, parcel's # 880036905, 880037137, 880008666, 880008667, 880008946. Motion by Cullers to follow the recommendations of the Assessor for parcel's #880036905, 880037137, 880008666, 880008687, 880008946 to leave the valuation for 2024 the same. Second by Petska. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Protest # 12, Maxwell Magiera, parcel # 880028959. Recommendation from the Assessor to change the quality to fair and adjust the value on the detached garage. Motion by Ference to go with the recommendation of the Assessor to change the quality to fair and adjust the value on the detached garage. Second by Baker. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Petska to go with the recommendation of the Assessor for Protest #9, parcel #880036703 and parcel #880004088 to correct the parcels: #880036703 value to stay the same and #880004088 will be \$58,965.00 after the site has been changed to grass. Second by Cullers. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Ference to go with the Assessor's recommendation for Protest #10, parcel #880030205 to \$35,845.00 for 2024 valuation. Second by DeRiso. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Ference to go with the recommendations of the Assessor for Protest #11, parcel #880020923 to adjust the depreciation and leave the quality and condition the same. Second by Cetak. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Ference to go with the recommendation of the Assessor on Protest #14, parcel #88029183 to adjust the depreciation to lower the value. Second by Cullers. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Petska to go with the recommendation of the Assessor and Appraiser Standard to leave the value as is for Protest # 16, parcel # 880029701. Second by Ference. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Ference to follow the recommendations of the Assessor to adjust the condition to average plus and leave the quality as good for Protest #15, parcel #880026110. Second by Baker. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes.

Motion carried. Motion by Baker to approve the Overvalued/Undervalued report for William and Renee Karre property to fix clerical error. Second by Cullers. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Baker to leave Board of Equalization at 10:06 a.m. Second by Ference. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Board convened at 10:06 a.m. Reconvened at 10:15 a.m. Caleb Pollard gave his quarterly report, down town square active, closing on Rosie's within a week, housing rebate program, housing renovation, infill program, reorganization of the Economic Development to apply for a 501c3, workforce placement, activities with the Chamber, 20 new members, charity golf tournament, lodging tax collections, travel guide is close, and putting lodging tax distributions in the paper. Protest #15 arrived at 10:30 a.m. to protest valuation, valuation had been lowered, he was happy with the decision. District Court fees and fines was discussed. Clerk Bower June Clerk fees report. Sheriff Scheideler reported that he is applying for grants. Motion by Baker to accept the State Auditors recommendation to keep the petty cash account at \$1,000.00 instead of \$3,000.00. Second by Cetak. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. The committee for the City/County police officer meeting reported back that the County Sheriff will be responsible for the City calls other than city nuances, until the City can get someone hired. Sheriff Scheideler told the Board that the Sheriff's office will cover to the best of the Departments ability with the resources that the department has, response time may be varied due to other calls. County Attorney Hanson reported that looking at pretrial hearings coming up. Buildings and grounds looking at attaching a camera on the Gazebo. Gazebo committee will be taking care of the funding of that. It can be placed on the camera log in the Sheriffs office. Motion by Cullers to put custodian on salary, will be effective with new budget, no overtime, and \$44,000.00 for pay. Second by Baker. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Treasurer Brott gave the month end report, balances and disbursement collections in the Quiz this week, pledge receipts, miscellaneous receipts, and a tax sale in North Loup, Popcorn USA purchased the certificate. Motion by Cullers to approve the claims and fund request of \$101,951.64. Second by Ference. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Baker asked the Board if he could put 30 or 40 sheep in Manderson cemetery for about 10 days, Baker hopes that will help with maintenance of that cemetery for future mowing. Board didn't see any problem as long as it was fenced off and they didn't damage any stones. Committee Reports: Region 26 budget was discussed for fiscal year 2024-25 the Counties payment will be \$116,314.00 and the City will be \$106,911.63 for the year. DeRiso visited with Verizon tower employees south of Ord, going well; Gazebo committee is putting a plaque on the Gazebo, Cetak meets with Mid-NE next week. With no further business meeting adjourned at 12:01 p.m. to reconvene on July 29, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. for Budget meeting with all Departments and to reconvene on July 30, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session with Board of Equalization at 9:30 a.m. Complete minutes from June 25, 2024 and Agenda for July 9, 2024 meeting for public inspection in the Office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES  
JULY 29, 2024 7:00 P.M.

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in a special meeting to listen to the asking of all Departments Budgets on July 29, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in County Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Ference, Petska, Van Slyke. All present. Present also was Rory Petska. Clerk, verified the meeting notice at the City Office, Quiz, Ord Township Library, and on the County website. Agenda posted. All Departments were present, with phone calls, that they weren't going to be present from the Veterans Service office and Planning/Zoning. Board had questions for Veterans Service so called Dale Beethe to ask those. Discuss with the Planning/Zoning at regular meeting Tuesday July 30, 2024. Discussions with the Board were heard from all departments. Clerk asked the Board to go over the Miscellaneous General Fund line by line. That got finalized but not approved. With no further business motion by Ference to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m. to reconvene on Tuesday July 30, 2024 in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with Board of Equalization at 9:30 a.m. in the County Boardroom. Agenda for the July 29, 2024 meeting for public inspection in the Office of the County Clerk and on the County website.

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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES  
JULY 30, 2024 9:00 A.M.

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on July 30, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Petska, Van Slyke. All present. Absent, Ference. Clerk verified the meeting notice at the City Office, Quiz, Ord Township Library, and on the County website. Agenda posted. Motion by Baker to approve the minutes from July 9, 2024. Second by Cullers. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Absent, Ference. Motion carried. Motion by Petska to approve the Agenda for July 30, 2024. Second by DeRiso. Cetak, Van Slyke, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Absent, Ference. Motion carried. Ference arrived at 9:05 a.m. Sandy Simpson reported on the Road claims. Superintendent Jay Meyer reported on grant money for Stop signs, overlaying, board had more questions on the roads budget. Motion by Baker to approve the surplus sale of 1989 International Dump truck. Second by Ference. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Cetak to approve Resolution #24-10 signing of the County Annual Certification of Program compliance 2024. Second by Baker. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Ference to go into Board of Equalization at 9:30 a.m. Second by Baker. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Cullers to approve the 2024 Plan of Assessment. Second by Petska. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Assessor Waltman presented the Board with the Cemetery report for 2024. County Attorney Hanson is clarifying who maintains cemeteries and ownership, will have it for the August 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. Motion by Baker to approve the notice of Rejection of Homestead Exemption for JoAnn Scott, William and Frances Riley, and Beverly Dubas, they do not occupy the home. Second by Cullers. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Baker to leave Board of Equalization at 10:00 a.m. Second by Ference. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Discussion with Meyer about Region 26 wages and 911 calls in the area. Hospital report from Ashely Woodward, change of Chief of Staff to Dr. Hilary Miller end of July, August 12<sup>th</sup> Nathan Harms joins the staff at the hospital, and the financial report. Board convened at 10:09 a.m. Reconvened at 10:18 a.m. Motion by Baker to approve the two liquor licenses from Niobrara Valley Vineyards and Scratchtown for the Fort Hartshuff celebration August 31, 2024. Second by Ference. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Abstain, Baker. Motion carried. Motion by Cullers to approve the use of the Gazebo on September 7, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. for Scratchtown's Celebration. Second by Baker. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Sheri Goodrich with Planning/Zoning was present to discuss her budget. Motion by Baker to approve Resolution #24-9 to charge \$10.00 per vehicle inspections onsite and \$10.00 offsite with the Sheriff's department. Second by Cullers. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Baker to approve the Agreement with Region 3 Behavioral Service. Second by Cetak. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Discussion on Budgets. Motion by Petska to move the health insurance reimbursement to each department to have a specific line item. Second by Baker. Ference, Baker Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by DeRiso to reduce \$10,000.00 from the Assessor's budget. No Second. Motion failed. Motion by Cullers to approve the claims and fund request of \$657,139.00. Discussion about Bullers payment, Clerk will look into it. Second by Baker. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Cetak reported on Mid-NE, Cullers reported on the Gazebo getting benches ordered, thank you note

from the Ord Wrestling Club for the Wozab grant. Motion by Ference to adjourn the meeting at 12:28 p.m. Unanimous vote, to reconvene on August 5, 2024 to hear the asking from the Subdivisions budgets at 7:00 p.m. and regular session on August 13, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. and Board of Equalization at 9:30 a.m. Complete minutes from July 9, 2024 and Agenda for July 30, 2024 meeting for public inspection in the Office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES  
AUGUST 5, 2024 7:00 P.M.

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in special session on August 5, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the County Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Petska, Van Slyke. All present. Absent, Baker, Ference. Clerk verified the meeting notice at the City Office, Quiz, Ord Township Library, and on the County website. Agenda posted. Motion by DeRiso to approve the Agenda for August 5, 2024. Second by Cetak. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Absent, Ference, Baker. Motion carried. Ference arrived at 7:05 p.m. Open Meetings Act posted on the west wall of the County Boardroom. Subdivisions were gone over. Kristi Hagstrom with the Ord Township Library was present. Ord Township asking is \$123,000.00, this is the same as last year, this asking is used to buy books, activities, payroll, insurance, etc. North Loup Township asking is \$16,225.00 last year was \$15,570.00. Arcadia Township asking is \$40,700.00, last year was \$33,000.00. Loup Valley Ag Society asking is \$75,000.00, same asking as last year. Dave Williams with Airport Authority was present. Airport Authority is asking \$40,000.00; Bond is \$36,000.00 for a total of \$76,000.00; same as last year. Deb Kallhoff phone conferenced with the Board about the Ord Fire District. Asking for General Fund \$94,000.00, Bond \$80,980.00, for total request of \$174,980.00; last year was General Fund \$88,500.00 and Bond of \$81,960.00. Larry White was present for the North Loup Fire District. Asking for General Fund \$28,000.00 and sinking fund \$12,000.00. Last year was \$26,875.00 and sinking fund \$5,796.00. White explained that expenses for a pickup and a lift for the volunteers made the asking higher this year. Bill Staab phone conferenced with the Board about the Arcadia Fire District. Asking for General Fund \$53,025.00, Bond of \$40,000.00. Last year was \$52,500.00 and bond \$40,000.00. Bernie Glos was present with the Twin Loups Reclamation District. Asking for General Fund is \$30,882.41 same as last year. Discussion with Glos on the happenings with Twin Loups. Discussion about the other Departments, no decisions were made. With no further business, motion by Ference to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m. unanimous, vote. to reconvene on August 13, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session and Board of Equalization at 9:30 a.m. Complete minutes from July 30, 2024 and Agenda for August 5, 2024 meeting for public inspection in the Office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES  
AUGUST 13, 2024 9:00 A.M.

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session August 13, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Ference, Petska, Van Slyke, all present. Clerk verified meeting notice at the City Office, Quiz, Ord Township Library, and on the County website. Agenda posted. Motion by Cullers to approve the Agenda. Second by Baker. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by DeRiso to approve the minutes of July 30, 2024 and August 5, 2024. Second by Ference. Baker abstained due to being absent from August 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Open meetings Act posted on the west wall of the County Boardroom. No public comment. Superintendent Jay Meyer reported on the Ashton Road, striping will be happening soon, hauling gravel, discussion on culvert south of North Loup, showed signage to the Board that had been destroyed and the cost of replacing them. Motion by Baker to approve the surplus sale of 2001 Sterling Dump Truck. Second by Ference. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Superintendent Kaminski gave report that he has been trying to contact the State Inspector and is not getting any response. State reports and open filings will not be done until then. Chuck Abel presented the Board with the County Budget. Discussion about a bond for heating and air to help with cost, contacting DA Davidson. Budget hearing will be August 27, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. for the County. Pink Card Hearing will be September 23, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Valley County Courthouse District Courtroom. Matt Childress from Applied Connective presented the Board with updates on the internet at the Courthouse. Applied Connective worked on grant money for the County to help with costs and help with monthly expenses. Motion by Ference to approve the upgrade on the Courthouse internet. Second by Baker. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. DeRiso voting, No. Motion carried. Board recessed at 10:45 a.m. to reconvene at 10:53 a.m. County Attorney reported pretrial dates will be determined after August 20, 2024, if any. Treasurer Brott reported month end fund, balance, disbursements, miscellaneous receipts, and distress warrants delivered by the Sheriff. Discussion on the distress warrants, taxes are not collectible and can be stricken. Motion by Cullers to strike Good, Lightford, and RF Well Service. Second by Petska. Van Slyke, Ference, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Baker voting, No. Motion carried. Sheriff Scheideler reported getting a 2022 Durango from Kansas State Patrol and contracts for new Deputies, they are heading to training August 25, 2024. Motion by Baker to approve the contracts for new Deputies. Second by Cullers. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, yes. Motion carried. Motion by Ference to approve Van Slyke to sign one of the contracts when the new deputy signs. Second by DeRiso. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Discussion of alcohol usage on the Gazebo. Statute 53-186 prohibits the consumption of alcohol on state-owned property and in certain public places, unless authorized by the governing body. Motion by Baker to approve the Surplus sale at the Courthouse starting after the 14<sup>th</sup> of August until September 9, 2024. Second by Cetak. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke,

Ference. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Petska to go into Executive Session for personnel reasons at 11:45 a.m. Second by Ference. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Baker to come out of Executive Session at 11:53 a.m. Second by Ference. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. No decisions were made in Executive Session. Gazebo committee report two security cameras on the Gazebo and new batteries for the handicap lift. With no further business, motion by Ference to adjourn the meeting at 12:10 p.m., unanimous vote, to reconvene on August 27, 2024 at 9:00 a.m., Board of Equalization at 9:30 a.m. and Budget Hearing at 10:00 a.m. Complete minutes of July 30 and August 5, 2024 and Agenda for August 13, 2024 meeting for public inspection in the Office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTES  
AUGUST 27, 2024                      9:00 A.M.

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on August 27, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Ference, Petska, Van Slyke, all present. Clerk verified meeting notice at the City Office, Quiz, Ord Township Library, and on the County website. Agenda posted. Motion by Baker to amend the Agenda to add the Weed Superintendent Kaminski. Second by Cullers. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by DeRiso to approve the minutes from August 13, 2024. Second by Cullers. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Open Meetings Act posted on the west wall of the County Boardroom. No public comment. Sandy Simpson gave the claims and payroll report from the roads department. Superintendent Jay Meyer reported overlaying the Sargent-Ord Road, spraying trees, discussion about the bridge near Dennis Hurlburt and Theresa Vancura's dad's place, culverts have been ordered, discussion about minimum maintenance roads. Motion by Ference to approve the opening of bids for structure replacement C008802905P, bids opening on September 24, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. Second by Baker. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Baker to go into Board of Equalization at 9:34 a.m. Second by Ference. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Bill and Renee Karre were present to discuss the valuation of their property. Protest #1 Parcell #880011781. Karres were curious as to why the addition to the house was considered a new build. Discussion on values of other properties, square footage, and terc discussion. Motion by Baker to lower the building valuation to \$200,000.00 from \$287,165.00 leaving the land the same. Second by Ference. Discussion about whether a review could happen, Karres said yes. Cullers, Petska, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, No. DeRiso, Cetak, Baker. Voting, Yes. Motion denied. The review process needs to be engaged. Will be reviewed by the Board after the Assessor and a Supervisor look at the property. Motion by Cetak to leave the Board of Equalization at 10:00 a.m. Second by Cullers. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Ashley Woodward gave the hospital financials, an open house for Dr. Harms, Medicare or Medicare Advantage – pros and cons, workshop in October, Aetna contract, and hospital employs close to 200 employees. Motion by Ference to hold the Budget hearing. Second by Petska. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Chuck Abel was present to discuss the levy and budget. Revisions to the Sheriff budget. After revisions made to that budget levy and budget will be adopted at the September 10, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. meeting. Reviewed the Subdivisions. Motion by Baker to approve Resolution 24-10 attachment to approve the Subdivision budgets. Second by Cullers. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Van Slyke left at 10:50 a.m. County Inventories was reviewed and approved. County Attorney and Clerk verified that Rutt's Heating and Air will start with the HVAC project on September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Board recessed at 11:04 a.m. Back in session at

11:10 a.m. The Board reviewed and approved the 2024 Inventories. All board members signed. Motion by Cullers to approve claims and fund request \$578,895.55. Second by Baker. Discussion on some of the claims. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Sheriff Scheideler working on revising budget, new Deputies Amanda Peterson and Tyson Skinner are at training for 16 weeks, and new car arrived waiting for detailing. The application for use of the Gazebo was discussed. A reservation fee for special occasions and may not be reserved for more than 5 days nor more than a cumulative 10 days in any 30-day period. Motion by Ference to approve a \$25.00 reservation fee for special occasions. Second by Petska. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Baker showed the Board what the weathervane for the top of the Gazebo looks like. Plaque with picture and write up was also shown to the Board that will be put somewhere on the Gazebo. Benches will arrive somewhere between the 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> of September. Andy Forney with DA Davidson presented the Board with Bond for the Heating/Air and windows. Resolution for the Bond was signed April 9, 2024. Bond will be approximately \$860,000.00. Forney will have correct numbers when he finalizes all the paperwork. Motion by Cullers to approve the agreement with Contryman Associates for the audit. Second by Baker. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Weed Superintendent Kaminski reported that the State has cut funding to the Noxious Weed Program of \$700,000.00 plus, this will affect Valley County when applying for grants to spray rivers, Kaminski hopes to meet with the State Inspector soon to close some files. DeRiso reported Mid-Plains postponed. Ference attending the Economic Development meeting. Region 26 is having issues with code red, hoping to resolve them at the meeting. Budget Hearing will September 10, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. Meeting unanimously adjourned at 12:22 p.m. to reconvene on September 10, 2024 at 9:00 in regular session after the Budget Hearing. Complete minutes of August 13, 2024, and Agenda for August 27, 2024 meeting for public inspection in the Office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 10, 2024                      9:00 A.M.

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on September 10, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Ference, Petska, Van Slyke. All present. The clerk verified meeting notice at the City Office, Quiz, Ord Township Library, and on the County website. Agenda posted. Motion by Cullers to approve the minutes from August 27, 2024. Second by Baker. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by DeRiso to adopt the agenda. Second by Cetak. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Open Meetings Act posted on the west wall of the County Boardroom. No public comment. Superintendent Jay Meyer reported that they will be clay topping 818 Rd by Wray's, mixed another windrow for patchwork on the Sargent/Ord Road and Arcadia Road, minimum maintenance roads, 153 Stop signs and 153 Stop Ahead signs have arrived, painters will hopefully start striping the end of September, armor coat on the Ashton road, and cleaned the road ditch by Ted Nelson's place. Treasurer Peggy Brott gave the month end fund report and miscellaneous receipts. Van Slyke opened the budget hearing at 9:16 a.m. Chuck Abel presented the Board with numbers that were published in the paper for the budget and discussion lowering the levy from \$.35 to \$.31. Van Slyke closed the Budget hearing at 9:42 a.m. Motion by Cullers to approve Resolution #24-11 to increase the restricted funds by 1%. Second by Cetak. Ference, Cullers, Petska, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Baker and DeRiso. Voting, No. Motion defeated. Less than 75% voted. Motion to adopt resolution #24-12 for Budget for fiscal year 2024-2025 and to lower the levy to \$.31. Second by Ference. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Ference to approve Resolution #24-13 setting the property tax request for 2024-25 at \$3,825,994.00. Second by Baker. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Petska to go into Board of Equalization at 9:51 a.m. Second by DeRiso. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Petska to accept the Notice of Reduction on Homestead Exemption for Mallery. Second by Ference. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. A computer error was discovered after the Karres protest on August 27, 2024. It was corrected before the September 10, 2024, meeting. Karres were present. Discussion on values. Motion by Cullers to approve the valuation of the house, pricing from 2015. Second by Cetak. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes Motion carried. Motion by Baker to go out of Board of Equalization at 10:12 a.m. Second by Cullers. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Board recessed at 10:14 a.m. Back in session at 10:23 a.m. District Court fees were discussed, question of what the hold account is for. Clerk fee report was discussed. Motion by DeRiso to approve the claims and fund request of \$49,101.83. Second by Cullers. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Baker to allow the use of the Courthouse lawn/steps for the Halloween parade October 31, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. Second by Cetak. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes.

Motion carried. Motion by Cullers to approve Region 3 Agreement. Second by Cetak. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Loup Basin was discussed; the Board would like to see a representative from that program. Report from the Gazebo committee, waiting on benches. Cetak reported nothing new with Mid-NE; Ference reported that Economic Development- pilot program is working well; DeRiso reported that Mid-Plains new facility is nice; Petska reported Region 26 hired 2 new employees, Stena is overseeing law enforcement, and code red was discussed. With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m. until September 23, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. for the pink card hearing and regular meeting on September 24, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. with Board of Equalization at 9:30 a.m. Complete minutes of August 27, 2024 meeting and Agenda for September 10, 2024 meeting for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the County website [\*\*www.co.valley.ne.us\*\*](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTES

September 24, 2024

9:00 A.M.

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on September 24, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Ference, Petska, Van Slyke. All present. The clerk verified the meeting notice at the City Office, Quiz, Ord Township Library, and on the County Website. Agenda posted. Motion by DeRiso to approve the minutes from September 10, 2024. Second by Baker. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Cullers to adopt the agenda. Second by Cetak. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Open Meetings Act posted on the west wall of the County Boardroom. No public comment. Sandy Simpson reported on roads balances and claims. Superintendent Jay Meyer reported 486 Ave is about done, 2,200 gallons of fuel was used for that project, and touching up oiled roads with mix. Easement #24-465 needed corrected. Motion by Baker to approve the claims and fund request of \$670,296.38. Second by Cullers. Discussion on storage of guns and ammunition with Fox Armory. Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Bids opened at 9:30 a.m. for structure replacement C008802905P. Superintendent Meyer stated that this will be replacing the bridge with a box culvert, county will take care of trees and some dirt work, it is a 12x12 box culvert, phone and electrical will be moved, and the culvert itself will be contracted out. Dayton Maul with Oak Creek Engineering started the bidding with Midlands from Kearney bid of \$226,660.00, bid bond enclosed and addendum acknowledged; Wilke Contracting from Kearney bid of \$337,741.00, bid bond enclosed and addendum acknowledged; Van Kirk Brothers from Sutton bid of \$229,699.30, bid bond enclosed and addendum acknowledged; KEA Constructors from Milford bid of \$359,061.00, bid bond enclosed and addendum acknowledged; Saul Ramos from Shelton bid of \$271,506.07, bid bond enclosed and addendum acknowledged. Dayton Maul recommended to hold off until he could look over the bids until next meeting. Motion by Baker to go into Board of Equalization at 9:37 a.m. Karre's property valuation was discussed, Assessor Waltman stated that no changes can be made at this time. Ord City sold Senior Classics to them. So it is no longer in the exemption, it will be taxed for a year until they get exemption filed. Motion by Ference to deny form 451 Senior Classic Exemption. Second by Petska. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Motion by Baker to leave Board of Equalization at 9:43 a.m. Second by Ference. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Ashley Woodward and Chelsey Ortmeier presented the Board with the hospital financials, EMS recertification, Chelle Green employee of the year, new ambulance fall of 2025, Celebrate Being a Woman, Area on Aging, new doctors Harms and Welniak taking new patients, and contract with Aetna expires soon. Board recessed at 9:59 a.m. Reconvened at 10:09 a.m. Discussion with County Attorney Hanson about the storage of guns and ammunition with Fox Armory. Sick days and vacation days discussion. Motion by Petska to have the departments give quarterly reports on sick days and vacation days of employees. Second by DeRiso. DeRiso,



Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Committee Reports from the Gazebo Committee is going to do some form of open house in October. Cetak reported that the Mid-Nebraska building sold. Van Slyke reported on NACO District Meeting. With no further business meeting was unanimously adjourned at 10:58 a.m. until the regular meeting on October 8, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. with Board of Equalization at 9:30 a.m. Complete minutes of September 10, 2024 meeting and Agenda for September 24, 2024 meeting for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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Judith Bower  
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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTES

October 8, 2024

9:00 A.M.

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on October 8, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Petska, Van Slyke. All present. Absent, Ference. The clerk verified the meeting notice at the City Office, Quiz, Ord Township Library, and on the County Website. Agenda posted. Motion by Baker to approve the September 24, 2024, minutes. Second by Cullers. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Absent, Ference. Motion carried. Motion by DeRiso to adopt the agenda. Second by Baker. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Absent, Ference. Motion carried. Open Meetings Act posted on the west wall of the County Boardroom. No public comment. Superintendent Jay Meyer reported that Easement #24-465 that was corrected, okay to approve it. Motion by Petska to approve Easement #24-465 near Dane Creek Drive to bury Frontier Communications wire. Second by DeRiso. Cetak, Van Slyke, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Absent, Ference. Motion carried. Midlands Contracting was the best recommendation for replacing a timber bridge with a concrete box culvert, for a cost of \$226,660.00. Motion by Cullers to approve the recommendation from Oak Creek Engineering. Second by Cetak. Van Slyke, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Absent, Ference. Motion carried. Meyers reported truck down, overlaying, and a 2018 motor grader purchase, it is in the budget. Sandy Simpson handed out a report on budget and expenditures. Weed Superintendent Kaminski reported on some closed files and possibly that 2 or 3 will be open yet. Kaminski asked the board permission to send a letter to Westring. The board didn't see a problem with sending information. Valley County Economic Development/Chamber of Commerce Caleb Pollard and Katie Wamsley presented quarterly report, active community wide, Winterfest requests to use the courthouse steps, lighting of the Christmas tree, and Gazebo. Winterfest is November 30, 2024. Motion by Baker to allow the use of the Gazebo on November 30, 2024. Second by Cetak. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Absent, Ference. Motion carried. Motion by Baker to go into Board of Equalization at 9:30 a.m. Second by DeRiso. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Baker. All voting, Yes. Absent, Ference. Motion carried. The Board looked over the material that Assessor Waltman provided on Reduction/Exemption of Homesteads. Motion by Cullers to accept the reductions of the Homestead Exemptions that Assessor Waltman recommended. Second by Baker. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Absent, Ference. Motion carried. Motion by Baker to leave Board of Equalization at 9:35 a.m. Second by Cetak, DeRiso, Van Slyke, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Absent, Ference. Motion carried. Carrie Hurlburt presented Colonial Life information. She will be visiting with employees during open enrollment in November. Break at 9:52 a.m. Back in session at 9:58 a.m. Treasurer Peggy Brott gave month end fund report, miscellaneous receipts, and pledge receipts. Ashley Eley gave a report on a letter that has been sent out from the Sheriff's office; it is asking for donations for books and supplies to handout information on narcotics, abuse, etc. Clarification on minutes from previous meeting that Stena is not in charge of the law

enforcement/criminal justice part of Region 26, Joel Bergman is the main and Dustin Spanel is the alternate. Clerk Bower reported on Elections and printing issues with some ballots. Bower is hoping to have it resolved soon. District Court on the next agenda as Lisa Bower was sick. Motion by Cetak to approve the claims and funds request of \$50,770.60, Second by Baker. Cetak, Van Slyke, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Absent, Ference. Motion carried. Motion by Petska to go into executive session at 10:28 a.m. for personnel reasons. Second by Baker. Van Slyke, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Absent, Ference. Motion carried. Out of executive session at 10:51 a.m. No decisions were made in the executive session. Committee reports: Cetak reported that Mid-NE building sold, the Board discussed the American funds/Capital Guardian, county owns the account, many employees of the County have this fund and are wanting to cash out or move these funds. Motion by Van Slyke to approve County Clerk Judith Bower to sign paperwork for the Capital American/ Guardian funds for employees to either cash out or move funds. Second by Cullers. Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Absent, Ference. Wozab Gazebo will be having an open house on October 21, 2024, from 4:00-6:00 p.m., plaque and weathervane will be put on the Gazebo when Buller gets time. With no further business meeting was unanimously adjourned at 11:03 a.m. until the regular meeting on October 29, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. with Board of Equalization at 9:30 a.m. Complete minutes of September 24, 2024 meeting and Agenda for October 8, 2024 meeting for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the County website **[www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us)**.

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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTES

October 29, 2024

9:00 A.M.

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on October 29, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Boardroom. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Ference, Petska, Van Slyke. All present. Absent, Baker. The clerk verified the meeting notice at the City Office, Quiz, Ord Township Library and on the County website. Agenda posted. Motion by Cullers to approve the minutes from October 8, 2024. Second by DeRiso. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Abstain, Ference. Absent, Baker. Motion carried. Motion by Petska to approve the agenda. Second by Cetak. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Absent, Baker. Motion carried. Baker arrived at 9:07 a.m. Open Meetings Act posted on the west wall of the County Boardroom. No public comment. Sandy Simpson gave a report on October claims and balances. Motion by Cetak to approve Resolution #24-5 signing of the year-end certification of County Highway Superintendent 2024. Second by Cullers. DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Meyer discussed bond rates from DA Davidson and Piper Sandler for 2018 Motor Grader. Piper Sandler had the better rate. Motion by DeRiso to approve the bond rate for the motor grader from Piper Sandler. Second by Ference. Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Meyer reported armor coat is done, 33 ½ miles of striping and another 10-12 miles, renting a D4 dozer, bridge inspections, waiting for City to change lines to start on bridge in December weather permitting, hauling more clay Northeast part of the county, and blading roads. Weed Superintendent Darrell Kaminski reported that Westring received the letter and will be getting receipts and planning on a spring aerial spray. UNL Extension Educator Kayla Hinrichs presented the Board with changes to the Extension Board. Barb Dorsey's term is up. It is a 2 – 3-year term limit. Dorsey is to the limit and will be greatly missed. Bobby Hurlburt has been recommended for the position for 3-year term. Motion by Petska to go with the recommendation of Bobby Hurlburt for a 3-year term for the Extension Board. Second by Ference. Van Slyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. All voting, Yes. Motion carried. Ashley Woodward and Chelsea Ortmeier presented the Board with financials, license renewal, Medicare Advantage, and Aetna. Brendan DeBorer presented the Board with a draft for the tuck repair, assessment, and historical grant. Motion by Ference to allow Berggren Architect to go ahead with the assessment. Second by Baker. The board recessed at 10:28 a.m. to reconvene at 10:35 a.m. Sheriff Scheideler presented the board with quarterly report, overtime, and painting of the inside of the jail. County Attorney Hanson reported on juvenile cases. Baker left at 11:15 a.m. **The following sentence corrected at the 11-12-24 meeting: Motion by Cullers to approve the claims and fund request of \$772,353.83, after removing claim to Central Nebraska Economic Development.** Motion by Cullers to approve the claims and fund request after taking out check to Central Nebraska Economic Development, in the amount of \$772,353.83. Second by Cetak. Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference. All voting, Yes. Absent, Baker. Motion carried. Discussion about Colonial Life offer of

additional life insurance of \$25,000.00 at \$2.00 an employee. Motion by DeRiso to add the \$2.00 for additional life insurance of \$25,000.00 with Colonial Life. Second by Van Slyke. Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke, Ference, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Absent, Baker. Motion carried. Committee report on the Gazebo, possibly one more bill and it is complete. Motion by Petska to go into executive session for personnel reasons at 11:45 a.m. Second by Ference. Ference, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Absent, Baker. Motion carried. The board came out of executive session at 12:02 p.m. No decisions were made in executive session for personnel reasons. With no further business meeting was adjourned at 12 :05 p.m. until the regular meeting on November 12, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. with Board of Equalization at 9:30 a.m. Complete minutes of October 8, 2024 meeting and Agenda for October 29, 2024 meeting for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the County website [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us).

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Ference, Cullers. All voting, Yes. Absent, Baker. Motion carried. Committee report on the Gazebo, possibly one more bill and it is complete. Motion by Petska to go into executive session for personnel reasons at 11:45 a.m. Second by Ference. Ference, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, Van Slyke. All voting, Yes. Absent, Baker. Motion carried. The board came out of executive session at 12:02 p.m. No decisions were made in executive session for personnel reasons. With no further business meeting was adjourned at 12 :05 p.m. until the regular meeting on November 12, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. with Board of Equalization at 9:30 a.m. Complete minutes of October 8, 2024 meeting and Agenda for October 29, 2024 meeting for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the County website **[www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us)**.

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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, November 11, 2024, in the Courthouse Boardroom. Pledge of Allegiance recited, roll call taken: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Ference, Petska, VanSlyke present. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. The Minutes of October 29, 2024, were approved with the correction of the sentence to now read "Motion by Cullers to approve the claims and fund request of \$772,353.83, after removing claim to Central Nebraska Economic Development." on motion of Ference, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, VanSlyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none. Baker moved to adopt the agenda, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Open Meetings Act posted on the west wall; public copies available on the counter. No public comment offered.

Road Superintendent Meyer appeared with Jay Spearman with Piper Sandler at 9:05am. Explanation of lease purchase of 2018 Grader was given as well as handout of monetary figures, with anticipated closing of December 18. A resolution for the lease purchase was read. Motion by Baker to adopt Resolution 24-16, a resolution authorizing and approving the lease-purchase, authorizing various related transactions, adopting compliance procedures, and authorizing other matters relating thereto, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke. No: none. Documents were then signed.

Meyers' General Report included: ordered a new engine for one of the trucks, mowing along roads for snow preparation, an employee resigned.

Deputy Secretary of State Wayne Bena, the Deputy Secretary of State for Elections appeared. Deputy Secretary of State Bena stated that he was available for solving problems and to help with issues, outlined the process of appointing a new County Clerk, the deputy can sign off on election certifications and other election requirements, and offered the assistance of his office as well as that of Dave Shively, a trainer with the office.

The Board of Equalization convened at 10:10am on motion of Baker, second Ference. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Ference. No: none. Assessor Waltman showed a correction for the Central Valley School District. The Board moved out of the Board of Equalization at 10:11am on motion of Baker, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Ference, Baker. No: none.

The meeting recessed at 10:11am, reconvened at 10:18am with all members present.

Dustin Will with Benefit Management gave an update on health insurance renewal rates and benefit amounts, provided handouts with renewal comparisons and current benefit levels, new rates will have an increase of approximately 5.62%. Motion by Petska to accept new Medica plan and keep current levels the same, second by Baker. Carried. Yes: Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. No: none.

Building and Grounds Superintendent Vanek provided information on request by Barbara Sibley to donate a picture of Elk to the courthouse to be displayed. Discussion was held that the board would need to see the picture and have more information before a decision could be made. Building and Grounds Superintendent Vanek reported that Berggren Architect will be flying drones around the courthouse to take pictures of the exterior for a grant application.

Motion by Cullers to approve Resolution 24-17, the acceptance of the resignation of County Clerk Judith Bower and the function of the Clerk's Office until appointment of a successor, second Ference. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Ference, Cullers, Petska. No: Baker. Motion by Baker to approve Resolution 24-18, appointment procedure for the successor county clerk, second Ference. Carried. Yes: Cetak, VanSlyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. No: none. Interested applicants will need to submit a resume by 4:30pm on December 2, 2024. Motion by Ference to have a special



meeting to interview candidates at 6pm on December 9, 2024, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Cetak, VanSlyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. No: none.

Motion by Baker to enter Executive Session at 10:59am, second Ference. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. Motion by Ference to exit Executive Session at 11:20am, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke.

County Attorney Hanson gave an update, anticipated uptick in felony numbers, extradition from Delaware in progress, costs being reimbursed by other counties involved.

Treasurer Brott gave report on month end funds, personal property distress warrants, and miscellaneous receipts. Treasurer Brott also reported that she now has heat in her office.

The October District Court Fees and Fines Report was looked at. Motion by Petska to accept the Agreement for Clerk Magistrate with the State of Nebraska, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Agreement was signed.

Motion by Cetak to approve the claims and fund request in the amount of \$45,639.68, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. No: none.

Petska read the recognized holidays from the Employee Handbook. Because holidays are stated, discussion held that they would not have to be voted on for the upcoming year.

Mail Folder included NACO Newsletter, Central Nebraska Economic Development District, Broadband, Jake Bredthauer letter, and Community Building Solutions update that included windows being sealed soon.

For Committee Reports, DeRiso reported on MidPlains, Cetak commented on needing new chairs in boardroom, Petska commented on needing new toilets for the courthouse. Cullers gave update on Wozab Gazebo, will receive \$14,873.55 from Valley County Community Foundation, to include repayment of a \$12,000 loan, Bullers will seal the floor in the spring. Cullers gave a report on Region 3. Baker is arranging for Loup Basin Public Health to appear at a future board meeting. Petska received information on a grant, discussion followed, due date of application is November 15, will not pursue because of short notice.

The meeting adjourned at 11:52am, to reconvene on November 26 at 9:00am in regular session and 9:30am as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the November 12 meeting and an agenda for the November 26 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the County website <https://valleycountyne.gov>.

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

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KeShara Poland, Deputy Valley County Clerk

## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, December 10, 2024, in the Courthouse Boardroom. Pledge of Allegiance recited, roll call taken: Baker, Cullers, DeRiso, Cetak, Petska, VanSlyke present, Ference absent. Deputy Clerk verified meeting notice published; agenda posted. Ference arrived at 9:04 a.m. The Minutes of November 26, 2024, were approved on motion of DeRiso, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: Ference. Baker moved to adopt the agenda, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: Ference. Open Meetings Act posted on the west wall, public copies available on the counter. No public comment offered.

Road Superintendent Meyer appeared. Discussion of applications for two new easements for county roads. Motion by Baker to approve Easements #24-466 (Flatwater Sales Inc) and #24-467 (Nagorski), second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Abstain: Ference. Superintendent Meyer gave report to include installation of snow fence, repairs finished on truck, waiting on phone and cable utilities before can proceed with bridge project, will be advertising for open position, potentially updating easement forms for corporations. Discussion was held about a new residence that was built by Arcadia, building permit issued with understanding of a driveway being built by owners, minimum maintenance road is now servicing new residence. Planning and Zoning Administrator Sheri Goodrich also appeared for more discussion.

There was no new business for Board of Equalization.

County Attorney Brandon Hanson gave update on Wilson Property, previous tax certificate had been dismissed by previous county attorney, property will go up for tax foreclosure in 2027 if no action by owners. County Attorney Hanson spoke on Maximus report from the mail bag.

Deputy County Clerk KeShara Poland gave update on new attorney fees that were approved by the court for court appointed attorneys to take affect January 1, 2025, notices sent out for election, recount of Ord School Board completed with same results, will be over budget for elections office.

The Board recessed at 10:05am and reconvened at 10:15am.

Treasurer Peggy Brott spoke on applications for investment of funds, will move action to next board meeting. Treasurer Brott gave report for month end fund report and month end trial balance listing.

Discussion held to nominate Weed Superintendent Darrell Kaminski for NWCA Award. Petska and Baker will complete application. The board is grateful for Kaminski's service.

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## VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

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Road Superintendent Meyer appeared. Discussion of applications for two new easements for county roads. Motion by Baker to approve Easements #24-466 (Flatwater Sales Inc) and #24-467 (Nagorski), second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Abstain: Ference. Superintendent Meyer gave report to include installation of snow fence, repairs finished on truck, waiting on phone and cable utilities before can proceed with bridge project, will be advertising for open position, potentially updating easement forms for corporations. Discussion was held about a new residence that was built by Arcadia, building permit issued with understanding of a driveway being built by owners, minimum maintenance road is now servicing new residence. Planning and Zoning Administrator Sheri Goodrich also appeared for more discussion.

There was no new business for Board of Equalization.

County Attorney Brandon Hanson gave update on Wilson Property, previous tax certificate had been dismissed by previous county attorney, property will go up for tax foreclosure in 2027 if no action by owners. County Attorney Hanson spoke on Maximus report from the mail bag.

Deputy County Clerk KeShara Poland gave update on new attorney fees that were approved by the court for court appointed attorneys to take affect January 1, 2025, notices sent out for election, recount of Ord School Board completed with same results, will be over budget for elections office.

The Board recessed at 10:05am and reconvened at 10:15am.

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The meeting began by thanking Cetak and Cullers for their many years of dedicated service to Valley County.

Motion by Baker to approve the claims and fund request of \$560,865.78, Second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none.

Road Superintendent Meyer and Secretary Sandy Simpson appeared. Simpson gave December Road claims & balances report. Meyer gave general report to include bridge update, award of NIRMA grant, motor graders will be sold as surplus on Auction Time. Motion by Cetak to approve Resolution 24-21, a resolution to approve and sign County Bridge Match Program – Program Agreement, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Baker, Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke. No: none. Absent: none. Discussion followed about progress of driveway for new residence by Arcadia.

Motion by Petska to enter Board of Equalization at 9:35am, second Ference. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Ference, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Update on TERC case no 20E 0022. Motion by Cullers to approve applications for Tax Exemption on Motor Vehicles Owned by Qualifying Nonprofit Organizations, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Petska, DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers. Motion by Baker to exit Board of Equalization at 9:41am, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. No: none. Absent: none.

Valley County Health System gave a report on December VCHS board meeting, financial report for November. Discussion of the upcoming Gala on January 11, 2025, VCHS offering cataract surgery, donation made by Second Hand Rose.

Weed Superintendent Darrell Kaminski gave a report on Noxious Weed Control Plan for 2025 and Noxious Weed Infestation Report for 2024. Kaminski had not yet received open files report from the State, discussion of grant money that the State has not awarded yet, drone being used for weed control.

Valley County Economic Development gave an update on Mortensen Site Development, that 99 year lease a possible hinderance for financial institutions. Discussion followed about covenants in place, original documents when the land was gifted will be researched.

The county board took a break at 10:17am and reconvened at 10:31am.

County Attorney Brandon Hanson gave an update on the process for appointment of county supervisor to follow Nebraska State Statute 32-567, and zoning regulations for roads.

Clerk KeShara Poland gave report on Register of Deeds November Month End report, possible area in employee manual to clarify overtime.

Sheriff report included review of signed Interlocal Agreement with City of Ord and update on patrol vehicle purchase.

Treasurer report included applications for investment of funds. Motion by Ference to approve Resolution 24-20, to approve banks for investment of funds, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, VanSlyke, Ference, Baker, Cullers, Petska. No: none. Absent: none.

Petska gave report that Kaminski was nominated for NWCA Award.

Baker thanked the County Board for approving the display of the Christmas Tree.

The meeting adjourned by Cetak at 11:28am, to reconvene on January 14, 2025, at 9:00am in regular session and 9:30am as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the December 10, 2024, meeting and an agenda for the December 31, 2024, meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk and on the County website <https://valleycountyne.gov>.

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