

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Valley County Board of Supervisors was called to order at 9:00 a. m. on Tuesday, February 10, 2004 in their Courthouse meeting room. Roll call was taken with Ash, Melia, Beran, Collins, Sintek, Cetak and Sevenker present. Notice of meeting was verified by the Clerk. No corrections or additions being offered to the published minutes of January 27, said minutes were approved. New agendas were provided since items had been added after the Board packets were mailed on Friday and before the 24 hour deadline. The new agenda was adopted on motion of Sintek, seconded by Beran. Carried. Yes: Sintek, Beran, Melia, Ash, Cetak, Collins. No: none. Absent: none.

Garfield County Commissioners Jerry Mead and Virgil Swett appeared to propose that Max Leth, Valley County Road Supt., work part-time for Garfield County. They currently employ a Road Supt. one day per month to do the paperwork, by employing Leth, who holds a Class A license, they could receive additional highway allocation funds. It was agreed that Garfield County would meet with Leth and return to the Valley County Board with a proposal. Garfield County would not want to start until the new budget year and both Counties agreed an interlocal agreement would be needed.

Leth reported the cost of roadside seeding is about \$3000 per year and reimbursement money is no longer available. Proposed legislation that may impact the County: increase in excise tax and allotting 1/2 cent of motor vehicle tax to the highway trust fund. A bid of \$2970 received from Tillotson Enterprises for repair of the shop roof was discussed, the Board agreed the repairs were necessary. At Leth's request, the Board approved the sale of various surplus items: chain saws, cordless drill, spray booms, electrical accessories, truss bridge pieces, bridge stringers, old fence posts, old windmill. Snow removal at the Courthouse was discussed.

Planning & Zoning Admin., Nancy Glaubke, was unable to attend and will give her report at the next meeting. However, the Planning & Zoning Commission's recommendation for approval of the 1.361 acre subdivision for Paul Bredthauer was presented for the Board's consideration. Following discussion, said subdivision was approved as recommended by the Commission on motion of Beran, seconded by Cetak. Carried. Yes: Beran, Cetak, Sintek, Collins, Ash, Melia. No: none. Absent: none.

Treasurer Suminski reported January receipts and account balances, reminding the Board that it becomes more likely that a transfer of funds will be needed as we go into the last few months of the fiscal year. Suminski explained that after the initial payment date, the City will turn over collection of street assessments to the County. The County receives a commission on those collections. She proposed the County make their first street assessment payment to the City and pay the remainder through the Treasurer so the County could collect the commission. There would be some interest due but the County should gain about \$200. The Board agreed to the proposal. Suminski reported that delinquent tax sales will be held March 1 and she is expecting about 4 out state buyers. The Miscellaneous Receipts folder was available.

The Clerk's January Fee Report was presented.

Sevenker reminded the Board that County Government Day was to be held on February 24, the next Board meeting day, that he was to speak to the students at 8:45 a.m. in the District Courtroom and that any Board members who wished to could be present for that.

Jim Cannon, Ted Nelson and Bill Clamp were present to discuss the proposed ramp at the east Courthouse entrance. Cannon presented information regarding construction and the Board chose the plan that kept most of the existing sidewalk and retaining wall. Discussion included the slope, water runoff, a broom finish, removal of the inside doors, placement of the opener button, railing on the landing and the need to bid the project. When County Attorney Randy Cullers arrived it was determined that he will research the bidding requirements and that a drawing be sent to the Fire Marshall for his review. Cullers will also coordinate a meeting with the Fire Marshall to include himself, Cannon, Melia and other Board members.

Snow removal at the Courthouse was discussed, the conclusion being to continue to search for someone willing to do it, meanwhile get along as best we can.

The following items were discussed: Central District meeting at Kearney Ramada Inn on March 18, National Council on Compensation Ins. current experience rating worksheet for Valley County, Expenditures Summary Report for January, information on LB 1083 and the proposed closing of regional centers from Nebraska HHS and Gov. Johanns.

A Household Hazardous Waste Program Survey was discussed and answers were provided for the Clerk to fill out and return to Keep Nebraska Beautiful by March 1.

At this point, Attorney Cullers arrived and Custodian Don Severance addressed the Board regarding his return to work. He presented a note from Dr. Mubin. Following discussion, it was determined that Severance and Cullers would meet on Thursday to discuss options and will report to the Board at the next meeting.

The Clerk was instructed to mark and return the card sent by Tillotson Enterprises regarding a roofing proposal to indicate that a decision has not been made at this time.

The request to allow the Farmers Market to set up on the west side of the Courthouse along 16th street from May 21 through Sept. was approved on motion of Collins, seconded by Ash with the condition that the vendors agree to empty the County garbage cans if they are used for disposal of produce or other perishable items. Carried. Yes: Collins, Ash, Cetak, Sintek, Melia, Beran. No: none. Absent: none.

An appreciation award was presented to Bill Misko for his service on the Hospital Board of Trustees. Misko thanked the County Board for their support and asked that they continue to support the Hospital Board.

Connie Felt appeared to ask if the County Physician appointment was meant to include the General Assistance Program as well as jail inmates. Following discussion, Ash moved to approve extending the appointment of the County Physician to include serving as the County Designated Health Care Professional for the purpose of the County General Assistance and Medical Assistance Program, subject to the agreement of the designated physicians. Melia seconded the motion. Carried. Yes: Ash, Melia, Beran, Collins, Sintek, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none. Attorney Cullers will contact the physicians as to their agreement.

Cullers presented Resolution 04-05, Public Comment Policy, for the Board's consideration. Following discussion, Ash moved to adopt Resolution 04-05, Cetak seconded the motion. Carried. Yes: Ash, Cetak, Sintek, Beran, Melia. No: Collins. Absent: none.

Cullers will report to Heidi Phillips with regard to Fire Marshall requirements as they relate to the elevator grant application.

Chairman Sevenker informed Cullers of the possible need for an interlocal agreement between Garfield and Valley Counties for the Road Supt. position and an interlocal agreement between Valley County and Ord City regarding the consolidation of communications. Sevenker also reported that Wayne Winterfeld, Ord City Mayor, would like to have a citizen on the Communication Consolidation Committee which currently consists of 2 representatives from the City Council, 2 from law enforcement and 2 from the County Board. Sevenker suggested that Larry Masin be asked to serve and the Board agreed.

Committee reports: Region 26, Dean Ash reported the resignation of Director Ron Kirkman, his last day will be February 28, most grants will be disbursed by then. Mid Plains, Ash presented material on Mid Plains listing the services offered and financial information. Region III, Dale Melia provided printed information on Region III describing the various agencies it funds, the services they provide and financial information. During fiscal year 2003 Region III funded services for 991 children and 6051 adults.

The Region 26 Agenda, Ord Chamber Newsletter, Rural News Bits, Flash Facts BCBS, Senator Nelson letter, DNEDD brochure, Loup Basin RC&D Grant Writers Workshop, Mid Continental Restoration Co. brochure, American Funds packet were available in the Mail Folder.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m., and will reconvene on February 24, 2004, at 9:00 a.m., in regular session, and 10:00 a.m., as Board of Equalization. Complete minutes of the February 10 meeting and an agenda for the February 24 meeting are available for inspection in the office of the County Clerk.

I, the undersigned County Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the County Board, that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the County Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the 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.

Jenette G. Lindsey, Valley County Clerk