

Valley County Board Minutes



VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES

The Valley County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 27, 2015 in the Courthouse Boardroom; Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Baker, Cetak, Cullers, DeRiso, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Waldmann present. Clerk verified meeting notice published, agenda posted. Clerk noted 2 errors in the Oct. 13 minutes: a zero omitted from the number \$120,000 toward the end of the 3rd paragraph and Supervisor Cetak's name omitted from the vote on the motion regarding the Greeley/Valley County Bridge toward the end of the 1st page; said minutes were approved as corrected on motion of Cullers, second DeRiso. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. VanSlyke moved to adopt the agenda, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers. No: none. Absent: none. Sevenker noted Open Meetings Act posted on west wall, public copies on counter. No public comment.

Road Secretary Sandy Simpson presented the monthly Claims Report, including: Accts. Payable \$137,124.92, Payroll \$38,498.44; larger expenses: tires, hoist #308 truck, 4 loads HFE, gravel, camera, parts, shop tools, used Rosco Tire Roller, parts #306 truck, red diesel-Arcadia, red diesel, gas, gravel, sand. Supt. Meyer noted camera will monitor inside and outside of shop and NIRMA Assist will reimburse \$1000 of the cost of the camera.

On recommendation of Supt. Meyer, Cetak moved to approve Easement #15-393 for Rodney Nagorski, second Baker. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Discussion on 811th Road project included: should find out what ED is willing to contribute after they meet on Wednesday, Supt. Meyer said bids are good for 60 days (from 10-09-15), intersection will be safer when project completed, Cullers said people need to remember this is not a TIF project. This item is to be carried to next meeting.

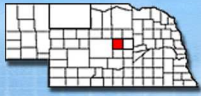
Discussion on Greeley/Valley County Bridge included: Meyer presented pictures of bridge; Sevenker could not get Chairman by phone, so he called Mike Goldfish who said he knows the area well and a bridge is needed; Meyer said Greeley County has ordered the supplies to replace the bridge; Sevenker said Goldfish felt it was not necessary for them to talk to the Valley County Board about the bridge since they talked to Supt. Meyer, DeRiso is familiar with the bridge and thought culverts would be sufficient for traffic and water flow; Steve Sintek called Sevenker and felt the ditches needed cleaning; Meyer said estimate for the bridge is \$35,000 if they can use the old slabs; Cullers was told they are getting a State Certified person to advise them; Meyer said if culverts were put in, the road would have to be raised, but the County could do the work. Sevenker said a bridge south of Randy Wadas is also a jointly owned bridge. Meyer said it needs to be repaired or closed. Meyer said if a component of a bridge is used, then it is a repair and you don't have to use an engineer, but it is wise to get an engineer if you are replacing the entire structure.

Meyer's General Report included: NIRMA inspection found Valley County Road shops in compliance; will start back-sloping 467th and Sargent Road to lower hill next spring; met with phone company, will have to lower line there; has an issue with phone company due to a reuse pit on south side of highway, east side of road, runoff goes to corner of Sargent Road in a big rain, long tube runs along south ditch, phone company installed line and sliced through culvert parallel, has washed a large hole, County filled it once and it came back, now part of the phone line is in the tube, met with Frontier, they looked at it last week, either need to replace or bore a new tube north of intersection and run water on north side, they are getting estimate to bore new culvert, County would abandon the other tube; will repair again this year; maintaining and graveling roads; bridge inspections start next couple weeks, have 5 applicants for job, will take apps till end of the month. Waldmann said Custer County is trying something new, a type of armor coat that does not need gravel. Meyer will check into it.

Christina Foth, Asst. Chamber/ED Director appeared to request use of the Courthouse lawn and lobby on Saturday, Nov. 28 for Winterfest activities. She presented a draft schedule of events and said an additional request has come from Boy Scout leader Jason Moudry, who is asking permission to have a fire pit on the sidewalk for a S'mores roast as a fund raiser. Waldmann moved to approve the Chamber's use of the Courthouse lawn, east lobby and west sidewalk for the Winterfest activities, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers Waldmann, DeRiso. No: none. Absent: none.

Discussed deadline dates for registration and room reservations for the Annual NACO Conference in December.

Discussed need for security gates on the two staircases from the first to the second floor of the Courthouse and the possibility of applying for an Assist Grant through NIRMA. Sevenker said he has not been able to find a gate that



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would work. It was suggested that Bill Clamp of Ord Glass & Paint may have installed such gates at Whoa and Go. Sevenker will check with Clamp. The deadline to apply for the Assist Grant is November 2.

County Attorney Hanson said the County must pay for an autopsy if it is part of an investigation. Hanson will check into statutes regarding the County's responsibility for the bridge on the Valley/Greeley County line.

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

The Claims & Balances Report and the Claims List were reviewed. Wadas Inc. was paid \$10,883.39 this month and will bill for an additional \$9000 next month for new compressors for the Courthouse HVAC. This expense will be paid through the Inheritance Tax Fund. Autopsy and funeral costs were also discussed. Following review, VanSlyke moved to approve the Claims and Fund Request in the amount of \$508,755.77, second Baker. Carried. Yes: Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak. No: none. Absent: none.

The Central Services Cost Allocation Plan developed by MAXIMUS, which determines the reimbursement the County receives with regard to child support enforcement, District Court and the local HHS Office, was reviewed and approved on motion of Cullers, second VanSlyke. Carried. Yes: VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker. No: none. Absent: none.

Waldmann moved to authorize Chairman Sevenker to sign the DHHS Hospital Licensure Renewal Application, second Cetak. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke. Present: Baker. No: none. Absent: none.

The Loup Basin Public Health Dept. notice regarding Continuity of Operations Planning was reviewed.

Rowdy Skinner of Husker Window Cleaning had asked about washing the Courthouse windows again, however, the Board did not think it was needed at this time.

The FCCLA request for use of the Courthouse lawn for Halloween, Friday, October 30th at 4:00 p.m. was approved on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: Cullers, Waldmann, DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker. No: none. Absent: none. Chairman Sevenker noted that the Board wants people to use the Courthouse area for their activities, but the County needs to be notified ahead of time.

The History of North Loup prepared by Sherian Craft for the new County Website was reviewed and approved. Craft had offered to bring the history up to the present and the Board agreed that would be a good idea.

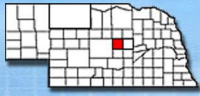
Committee Reports included: Cullers presented the quarterly report from NCF for the Wozab Fund, showing a loss of \$19,965.90, amount remaining is \$1,238,024.44, expenses were \$5645.70, including \$2000 awarded by Valley County, \$34,166.35 is available for grants next year; Cullers attended the Legislative Conference where prison reform was discussed, 13 million was set aside to train inmates, no educational programs in prison now, Nebr. prison is over capacity 159%, Federal law allows 120%, new prison would cost 244 million, Market Place Fairness Act of 2014 compels online catalogue users to collect tax but state needs to simplify, need to voice opinions on the death penalty, still talking about use of Hastings Regional Center, term limits not real positive, 59 counties belong to NACo, oppose reduction of county share of Inheritance Tax, oppose State unfunded mandates, support increase in County Road Funds, update 911 Statutes to provide for next generation, Railway Commission controls 911 and phone surcharges; Cullers reported for Region 3 that the annual audit has been completed and no deficiencies were found, a copy is available, an internal self-audit was done and Mid Plains scored 95, Region 3 does an excellent job of monitoring the various entities under their umbrella; DeRiso reported for Mid Plains that their audit was presented and a couple of issues were reconciled.

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

Tax List Corrections #3821 for Alvin Bose, mobile home gone as of Oct. 1, 2015, #3822 for Haggies Package Liquor due to sale of business and #3823 for Valley Auto Parts due to sale of business were reviewed and approved on motion of Baker, second Cullers. Carried. Yes: DeRiso, Cetak, Sevenker, VanSlyke, Baker, Cullers, Waldmann. No: none. Absent: none.

Assessor Arnold presented a report of levies for 15-16 and the 14-15 levies are listed for comparison. It was noted that all levies were down this year and the high dollar sale of land was discussed.

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



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Mail Folder items: none.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m., to reconvene on November 10, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in regular session. Complete minutes of the October 27 meeting and an agenda for the November 10 meeting are available for public inspection in the office of the County Clerk. Complete meeting minutes are also available for public inspection on the County website www.co.valley.ne.us.

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

Jenette G. Lindsey, Valley County Clerk