

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CHAIRPERSON AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
FAIRMONT NEBRASKA

MONDAY, MAY 10, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Fairmont Village Board of Trustees was convened in open and public session on Monday, May 10, 2021 at 7:02p.m. at the Fairmont Village Hall, 635 6th Ave., Fairmont NE. Notice of the meeting was given in advance according to proper notification by posting of meeting notice at Heartland Bank-Fairmont Branch, U.S. Post Office and Fairmont Village Hall. Chairperson Donald A Moses called the meeting to order. Clerk/Treasurer Courtney Salmon recorded the minutes. Board members present upon roll call were: Chris Grant, Jack R Slocum, Trisha Galusha-Chapman, and David R. Seggerman. Visitors to the meeting were: Austin Jarosz, Makenna Jarosz, Sheila Lauby, Ryan Kavan, Tyler Keenan, Victoria Verhage, Randy Verhage, Jerry Johnson, Sherry Rose, Tyler Salmon, and Mike Scheil. Chairperson Moses noted that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted on the bulletin board in the council meeting room for public inspection and review. Grant moved and Slocum seconded to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2021 board meeting. Voting aye: Seggerman, Moses, Grant, Slocum and Chapman. Motion approved.

Open Meetings Act

Clerk Courtney Salmon reviewed the changes to the Open Meetings Act as amended by LB 83E and noted a copy of the most recent Act was posted on the East wall of the board room for inspection.

JEO – Ryan Kavan, Street Improvement Projects Update

Discussion regarding current timeline and setbacks of the project was had. Kavan has been in contact with Casey's General Store Corporate offices and BNSF railroad regarding needs from properties to be affected. Discussion regarding a suggestion of creating an assessment district or pavement district with Casey's General Store and seeing if they would have any interest in splitting the project bid was had. Kavan to check in to the possibility of said discussion. Moses moved and Chapman seconded authorizing Don Moses, Chairperson, to sign and issue DOT permits for the project. Seggerman moved and Moses seconded authorizing JEO to submit permit to BNSF and pay the permit fee of \$800.00. Voting aye: Moses, Seggerman, Chapman, Slocum, Grant. Motion approved.

JEO – Tyler Keenan, Water Main Project Update

Discussion regarding recent project bidding having taken place at Fairmont Village Hall on Wednesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Initial opinion of probable cost from JEO was \$350,000.00. Bids were received from Myers Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$495,535.94, and Van Kirk Bros. Contracting in the amount of \$419,644.00. Keenan reviewed that bids were higher than initial opinion of probable cost but notes that the supply and demand issues of materials at this time played a large factor in current bid offers. Keenan notes that to help offset the change in cost, the Village of Fairmont has been offered a DWSRF loan with 0% interest on a 20 year term. Chapman moved and Slocum seconded to award the bid for SRF Project No. D311633 2021

Water Main Replacement to Van Kirk Bros. Contracting in the amount of \$419,644.00. Voting aye: Moses, Seggerman, Chapman, Slocum, Grant. Motion approved.

#### Fairmont Community Club

Sheila Lauby presents on behalf of the Village of Fairmont Community Club and discusses with the board 1) interest in having the swimming pool stay open later during the Friday and Sunday of Old Setts. Weekend. 2) willingness to offer an incentive to lifeguards from the Community Club to accommodate later hours of Old Setts. Weekend. 3) upcoming Community Clean Up Day, to be held June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 - requests for monetary contribution towards costs of dumpsters offered to the public that day to be considered 4) request for the board to contribute a portion of the costs to redo the Horseshoe Pits at the pool park. Moses motioned and Grant seconded for the Village of Fairmont to pay for 100% of the recent costs incurred to revamp the Horseshoe Pits. Voting aye: Moses, Seggerman, Chapman, Slocum, Grant. Motion approved.

#### Austin Jarosz – Glenwood Communications Proposal Review

Austin discusses with the board a quote received from Glenwood Communications to run fiber internet to several businesses in town, including Midwest Mobile Tech, Village Hall, Village Maintenance Shop, Senior Center, Library, Pool, September's Closet, and Primal Firearms.

#### Skip Radke

Skip discusses with the board a request to reconsider running a water-hydrant out to the northeast corner of his property. Board states that our policy is to run waterlines up to the curbstop on a person's property, and any other desires to run water throughout the property are the responsibility of the property owner by hooking into their own waterlines. Skip also notes that he has had two interested offers in the amounts of \$25,000 and \$30,000 for his building located next to Village Hall, and is interested to see if the board would be willing to consider purchasing his building. Board declines offer at the current price range. Skip also asks if a citizen was to fill out a request for agenda item, if they had to be present at the meeting for it to be discussed. Board informs that any request for an agenda item that is placed on the agenda will be discussed regardless if the requesting party is present or not.

#### NDEE Agreement

Clerk Courtney Salmon reviews NDEE Loan Documents for the Village Public Water System Improvements relating to SRF Project No. D311633. Moses moved and Slocum seconded to approve the chairperson signing and the submittal of the loan agreement by passing Resolution #2021-03.

#### Code Book- Fee Schedule

Board discussed changes to the fee schedule of the Village of Fairmont Code Book and made changes to 1-107, 2-305, 2-306, 5-502, 6-110(B), 7-103(A), 9-201(B), 9-301(A). Seggerman motioned and Grant seconded to adopt Resolution #2021-04 implementing the changes to the fee schedule. Voting aye: Moses, Seggerman, Chapman, Slocum, Grant. Motion approved.

### Fillmore County Zoning Recommendation Resolution

Board reviewed Fillmore County Zoning Recommendation that opened for public hearing at the 04.12.2021 board meeting and received no public comment. Grant motioned and Slocum seconded to adopt Ordinance #21-544 regarding zoning change to ARTICLE 9 SECTION 6; ARTICLE 9 SECTION 7 OF ORDINANCE NO. 13-489 regarding Accessory Buildings. Voting aye: Moses, Seggerman, Chapman, Slocum, Grant. Motion approved.

### Village of Fairmont Swimming Pool

Board reviewed wages of current swimming pool employees and previous schedule of wages. Board decides to increase all of the swimming pool wages by 50 cents per scheduled tiers instead of previous schedule of 25 cents per tier. Chapman motions and Grant seconds to approve 2021 Pool Manager Wanda Moses' wages of \$15.75/hr. Voting aye: Chapman, Slocum, Grant. Abstaining: Moses, Seggerman. Motion approved. Grant motions and Slocum seconds to approve 2021 Pool Assistant Manager Dave Seggerman's wages of \$15.25/hr. Voting aye: Moses, Chapman, Slocum, Grant. Abstaining: Seggerman. Motion approved. Grant motions and Chapman seconds to increase all 2021 Lifeguard wages by 50 cents from previous year. Voting aye: Moses, Seggerman, Chapman, Slocum, Grant.

### CLAIMS

(Claims Abbreviations: Eq, Equipment; Ex, Expense; Ma, Maintenance; Mi, Mileage; Misc, Miscellaneous; Re, Repairs; Sa, Salaries; Se, Service; Su, Supplies; Ut, Utilities; CI, Capital Improvement; Tif, Tax Increment Financing. Grant moved and Seggerman seconded to pay the following claims: GENERAL FUND: AFLAC-Sa\$1,665.69; AMERITAS-Sa\$1,928.80; ANGLE, MURPHY & CAMPBELL-Se\$947.39; BARCO-Ci\$380.10; BILLS REPAIR-TIF\$253.88; BOY SCOUT TROOP 175-Se\$75.00; BLACK HILLS-Ut\$1,048.54; BCBS-Sa\$7,261.60; BURTON Ut\$85.00; CARQUEST-Su\$81.67; COMPLETE MERCHANT-Se\$111.99; CPI LANSING-TIF\$14,261.98; EFTPS-Sa\$5,015.68; ERDKAMP MOTORS-Re\$187.21; FAIRMONT LIGHT & WATER-Ut\$4469.08; FARMERS COOP-Sa\$786.91; FILLMORE COUNTY COURT-Sa\$328.43; FILLMORE CO DEV CORP-Ex\$3000.00; FIRST CONCORD GROUP, INC.-Sa\$172.42; FIRST NATIONAL BANK-Su,Re, Se,Ex\$6190.74; HAWKINS-Su\$242.91; HEARTLAND BANK-Ex\$25.34; HOMETOWN LEASING-Ex\$231.82; KELCH PLUMB HEAT AIR-Se\$140.00; KOPCHOS-Ut\$25; LAWSON PRODUCTS-Su\$114.40; LINCOLN WINWATER WORKS-CI\$652.65; MADISON NATIONAL LIFE-Sa\$37.13; MIDAMERICA CHEM RESEARCH-Ex\$967.00; MIDWEST STEEL FAB-Su\$372.41; MIERAU & CO-Se\$2,950.00; MARC-Su\$2,394.75; MOMAR-Su\$1259.11; MUNICIPAL CODE SERVICES-Se\$4000.00; MUNICIPAL SUPPLY CO-Su\$939.94; NEBR. PUBLIC HEALTH ENV. LAB-Se\$45.00; NEBR PUBLIC POWER DIST. -Ex\$18,437.60; NEBR RURAL WATER ASSOC.-Ex\$840.00; PAYROLL-Sa\$19,402.50; PERENNIAL PUBLIC POWER-Ex\$1,895.73; PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICAITONS-Se\$6,033.30; NICK'S FARM STORE-Su\$145.00; NORTHPOINTE INS.-Ex\$6234.00; ONE-CALL CONCEPTS-Se\$11.52; NEONLINK-Se\$152.40; STATE OF NEBR. DEPT. OF REVENUE-Sa&Ex\$3,185.86; THE NEBR. SIGNAL-Ex\$82.50; THIRTY-FOUR ELECTRIC-Se\$93.26; U S POST OFFICE-Ex\$201; VIAERO-Ut\$262.76; WINDSTREAM-Ut\$774.65;

VERICHECK-See \$31.90. Voting aye: Grant, Slocum, Galusha-Chapman, Moses, and Seggerman. Motion approved.

#### Old Business

Clerk Courtney Salmon reviews recent updates to ARP Act and discusses how funds received by municipal governments can be spent.

#### Senior Center Report- Connie Jo Felton-Kuil

Connie Jo discusses with board 1) number of meals served. States 61 congregate meals were served in March and 146 congregate meals were served in April 2) requests raise following 3 month performance review for Senior Center Cook Cortni Jo Sabin. Board suggests 3% raise for employee to be approved at June 2021 regular board meeting. 3) requests to not have to come to every month's regular board meeting. Aging Service By-laws will need to be re-written to accommodate request. Board suggests no less than quarterly attendance.

#### Village Marshal Report- Tyler Salmon

Tyler discusses with board 1) Nuisance properties 2) Unlicensed vehicles 3) Auto accidents 4) Domestic standby calls 5) applying for a grant to cover the costs for gps & dispatch/e-citation/accident reporting software and tech 6) review of recently finalized contract for Interlocal Agreement with the Village of Exeter. Grant motioned and Slocum seconded to approve the Interlocal Agreement Contract with the Village of Exeter. Voting aye: Moses, Seggerman, Chapman, Slocum, Grant. Motion approved.

#### Utility/Maintenance Superintendent Report – Mike Scheil

Mike discusses with board 1) hours of current employees and maintenance needs 2) mowing scheduling 3) costs of gravel for roads 4) maintainer operation. Moses motions and Grant seconds to appoint Mike Scheil as the Village of Fairmont Maintenance/Utility Superintendent and approves wage increase to total \$21.25/hr. Voting aye: Moses, Seggerman, Chapman, Slocum, Grant. Motion approved.

#### Clerk Report – Courtney Salmon

Courtney discusses with board 1) multiple complaints from citizens about speeding vehicles and possible solutions, including but not limited to portable radar systems/speed trailers to help Marshal Salmon collect data from trouble areas 2) needing to set a time period for annual employee evaluations – board agrees to a special meeting in late June to be set at the next regular board meeting 3) update on Paycom time and attendance and payroll system and employee trainings that were held all the previous week on the system 4) needs for updated board tech since the current laptops are near obsolete 5) status of underground electric project 6) possibility of bringing on a contractor to help with specific inter-office needs and adding a more flexible part-time position to the office to perform basic duties allowing clerk to catch the office up and attend trainings without having to close Village Hall completely 7) moving forward with contracting McNally Law, as previously decided, to update the employee handbook.

Payment Arrangement Forms

Seggerman motioned and Chapman seconded to approve payment arrangement form #339.

Voting aye: Moses, Seggerman, Chapman, Slocum, Grant. Motion approved.

Chapman motioned and Slocum seconded to approve payment arrangement form #340. Voting aye: Moses, Seggerman, Chapman, Slocum, Grant. Motion approved.

Adjournment

Grant motioned and Slocum seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:31 p.m. Voting aye: Moses, Seggerman, Grant, Chapman, Slocum. Motion approved.

The next Regular Meeting will be Monday, June 14, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

CHAIRPERSON  
DONALD MOSES

CLERK/TREAS.  
COURTNEY SALMON