

**REGULAR MEETING FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF FAIRMONT, NEBRASKA
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH, 2022**

The Village Board of Fairmont, Nebraska met in regular session on Monday, November 14th, 2022 at 7:00p.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 Karen Margheim recorded the minutes. Board members present upon roll call were: Don Moses, Dave Seggerman, Tricia Galusha-Chapman, Austin Jarosz and Jack Slocum. Absent-none. Visitors to the meeting were: Tyler Keenan, Victoria Verhage, Rod Ehmen, Mike Scheil, Tyler Salmon and Shandra Reinsch. 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. Seggerman moved and Jarosz seconded to approve the minutes of the October 11th, 2022 Regular Meeting. Voting: 5 ayes and 0 nays. Motion passed. The Treasurer's Report for October 2022 was placed on file.

Traffic on A Street

There was a citizen concern with traffic along A Street, mostly truck traffic and speeding. After the speed board was set up to monitor speeds, it was determined there were no speeding issues. A discussion ensued regarding truck traffic. At this time, there doesn't appear to be any issues.

Pay Application #1-2021 Wastewater Lagoon Improvements-\$194,958.59

A motion was made by Jarosz, seconded by Slocum to approve Pay Application #1 to Van Kirk Brothers, Inc. in the amount of \$194,958.59 for the lagoon improvements. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

WWAC Funding Letter-T Keenan, JEO Consulting Group, Inc

Tyler Keenan was present to discuss the two funding options available to Fairmont for water treatment to eliminate the iron and manganese in the water. He stated for these items, treatment is not mandated; but recommended. They are rated as secondary contaminants. The first funding package is through the Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy with a SRF loan. The total project cost is \$2,656,619. The loan term would be 30 years. The interest rate would be 1.2%. Total loan forgiveness would be 75% of the project cost. The amount of the loan would be \$684,250. The second funding package would be a loan from the USDA Rural Development. The loan term would be 40 years. The interest rate would be 2.125%. Grant amount for the loan is \$1,992,000. The amount of the loan would be \$728,825. The board members gave the authorization to check into funding and start the process into looking at treatment options further.

Change Order #1-Road F Paving Project

A motion was made by Seggerman, seconded by Jarosz to approve Change Order #1 for the Road F Paving Project. The change in the order was a project deadline extension being from September 15, 2022 to June 1, 2023. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Public Hearing for CDBG Project #19-HO-36005 Owner Occupied Rehabilitation Grant

A motion was made by Chapman, seconded by Slocum at 7:33pm to open the public hearing for the Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Project #19-HO-36005. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Seggerman, seconded by Slocum at 7:35pm to close the public hearing. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

SEND OOR Extension #2

The amount of the remaining grant funds available is \$36,307.77 for anyone who may be eligible for an owner-occupied housing rehabilitation loan. An extension is needed to allow an opportunity for someone to utilize the funds available. The grant extension is until August 20, 2023. A motion was made by Jarosz to approve the new grant deadline for August 20, 2023, seconded by Slocum. Roll call vote-5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Seggerman, seconded by Moses to approve Marla Galusha to serve on the Fairmont Housing Authority Board. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Revised Drug Policy

A motion was made by Jarosz, seconded by Moses to approve the revised/updated drug policy. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Revised Drug Policy Resolution 2022-10

A motion was made by Seggerman, seconded by Chapman to approve the revised Drug Policy Resolution 2022-10. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Review JEO Project No. 201488 USDA Funding Package for water nitrates and manganese

This was previously discussed in the meeting by Tyler Keenan.

Floodplain Updates-FEMA/Fillmore County

A motion was made by Jarosz, seconded by Slocum to approve the floodplain updates as they are presented. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Claims

A motion was made by Seggerman, seconded by Chapman to approve claims as they were presented to the Board. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Correspondence

None

Old Business

Chairman Moses gave an update on the underground sprinkler installation at the 6th Ave. park.

Aging Services-Shandra Reinsch

Director Reinsch gave an update on the renovations at the Senior Center: new round tables have been put in, the walls are done, trim still needs to be put on and the carpet squares will be installed this week. There will be an open house scheduled in December. There was an inquiry into getting I-pads for the Senior Center Board Members to use at their meeting.

Village Marshal Report – Tyler Salmon

Marshal Salmon discussed the A Street traffic concern. A nuisance property and an unlicensed vehicle were mentioned. Park maintenance and weed spraying were deliberated.

Utility Superintendent Report – Mike Scheil

Utility Superintendent Scheil said the lagoon rehab project is almost done. The maintenance crew has been getting things ready for winter and will be hanging holiday lights soon. The public restrooms are heated and will remain open through the winter.

Clerk/Treasurer Report-Karen Margheim

Clerk Margheim announced we are currently in the middle of our audit process for the past fiscal year 2021-2022.

Payment Arrangement(s)

No arrangements were submitted for past due accounts.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Chapman, seconded by Jarosz to adjourn the meeting at 8:55pm. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

The next Regular Meeting will be held on Monday, December 12th, 2022 at 7:00pm.

DONALD MOSES,
CHAIRPERSON

KAREN MARGHEIM,
CLERK/TREASURER

Claims

AFLAC	Ins	\$765.16
Ameritas	Fee	\$450.00
Ameritas	Re	\$2,739.94
Bankcard/CMS	Fee	\$299.98
Bishop Business	Ex	\$1,296.00
Black Hills	Su	\$744.33
Blue Cross/Blue Shield	Ins	\$8,457.63
BOK Financial	Bo	\$7,378.08
Burton	Ex	\$85.00
Carquest	Su	\$57.46
CPI	TIF	\$117,338.57
Dutton Liaison	Su	\$563.30
Eakes	Ex	\$247.57
Eakes	Su	\$27.84
Fairmont Library	Bu	\$18,200.00
Fairmont Rescue Unit	Re	\$150.16
Fairview Manor	Ex	\$579.24
Farmer Coop	Fu	\$295.32
Farmer Coop-Fire Dept	Fu	\$157.11
Fillmore Central Schools	Fee	\$300.00
First Concord Benefits	Be	\$521.60
First Concord Benefits	Be	\$24.00
First National Bank of Omaha	Su	\$2,536.97
First National Bank of Omaha	Su	\$786.75
First National Bank of Omaha	Su	\$14.74
First National Bank of Omaha	Su	\$159.65
First National Bank of Omaha	Su	\$111.03
Friesen Auto	Re	\$554.57
GBE (Gabriel, Burger, Else)	Au	\$6,000.00
Hawkins Water Treatment	Su	\$1,522.22
Heartland Bank	Fee	\$20.00
JEO Consulting Group, Inc.	Ex	\$8,993.75
Kopchos	Ex	\$25.00
Madison National Life	Ins	\$37.13
MARC	Su	\$2,934.25
Mid-State Engineering/Testing	Su	\$1,224.00
Nationwide Ins	Ins	\$100.00
Nebraska Municipal Clerk	Dues	\$50.00
Nebr. Public Power Dist.	Ex	\$17,825.98
Nebraska Public Health Env.	Ex	\$163.00
NEON Link	Ex	\$83.00
One Call Concepts, Inc.	Ex	\$25.44
Paycom	Fee	\$797.07
Payroll		\$28,353.04
Payroll Taxes		\$9,886.75

Perennial Public Power	Fee	\$3,994.08
Pitney Bowes	Su	\$50.98
Post Office	Po	\$201.00
Pulliam Plumbing, Inc.	Su	\$83.25
Schmader Electric	Re	\$3,014.00
Schandra Reinsch	Re	\$100.50
State of Nebr.	Tax	\$1,862.56
State of Nebraska	Fee	\$19.52
Stutzman Interiors, LLC	Ex	\$1,322.33
The Nebraska Signal	Pu	\$331.13
USDA	Lo	\$4,607.00
Van Kirk Brothers Contr.	Ex	\$194,958.59
Vericheck	Fee	\$48.25
Verizon	Ut	\$36.52
Viaero	Ut	\$378.74
Village	Ut	\$3,399.14
Wanda Marget	Re	\$76.25
Windstream	Ut	\$117.16
Windstream	Ut	\$86.25
Windstream	Ut	\$160.39
Windstream	Ut	\$449.27

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-10

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fairmont, Nebraska is committed to providing a safe, efficient and productive work environment for its employees, and in order to provide such an environment deems it necessary to prohibit the distribution, manufacture, possession, sale, use, transfer, transport or purchase of illegal drugs, or from being under the influence of alcohol or drugs at the workplace on Village premises, in Village vehicles or while on duty;

AND WHEREAS, the Board deems it appropriate to provide for testing of its employees, including random drug testing, to insure that a drug and alcohol free workplace is maintained.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Section 714 of the Village Employee Handbook is amended to adopt a written Drug Abuse Policy. The written Policy revises the previous Policy that was adopted on October 11, 2022 by the Board to provide an exception for random and blanket testing for part-time employees.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fairmont, Nebraska this 14th day of November, 2022.

Moved by: D. Seggerman

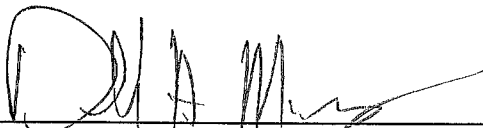
Second by: T. Chapman

Roll Call:

YEAS: Seggerman, Chapman, Slocum, Jarosz, Moses

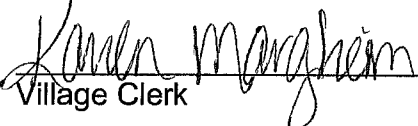
NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED.



Don Moses, Chairmah
Fairmont Village Board of Trustees

ATTEST:



Village Clerk