

**REGULAR MEETING FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF FAIRMONT, NEBRASKA
MONDAY, MAY 10TH, 2023**

The Village Board of Fairmont, Nebraska met in regular session on Monday, May 10th, 2023 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, Victoria Verhage, Rod Ehmen, Austin Jarosz and Jack Slocum. Visitors to the meeting were: Steve Parr, Mike Scheil, Tami Scheil, Tyler Salmon, Eric Johnson, Sheila Lauby, Stuart Bridges, Matt Hafer, Jeff Neiman, Cody Edwards Shandra Reinsch, Wanda Marget and Nathan Beck. 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. Ehmen moved and Jarosz seconded to approve the minutes of the April 10th, 2023 Regular Meeting and April 19th, 2023 Special Meeting. Voting: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed. The Treasurer's Report for April 2023 was placed on file.

Fillmore County Development Corp. Update-Eric Johnson

Eric presented an update for FCDC and an industry analysis for the area. There were over 50 individuals who participated in the county-wide drive thru job fair. There is a business looking at various sites to consider for location and the Village of Fairmont is being contemplated.

One & Six Year Road Plan-Steve Parr

Steve Parr presented to the Board of Trustees the proposed One and Six Year Road Plan. Currently, the only item on the one year plan is the paving project under construction on Road F next to State Highway 81. There are approximately 20 blocks in various locations being considered as future pavement projects for the six year plan.

Pool Park Project-Community Club (Sheila Lauby)

Sheila shared it has been nine years since the last pool park project was completed and the Community Club is looking into ideas for improvements. The Community Club is not asking for funds, just to share some of their ideas and to let the Trustees know what their desire is.

Fire Department

There was a discussion regarding the finances for the Village Fire Department and a possible merge with Fairmont Rural Fire District stemming from our last audit.

Wage consideration for the 2023 Season Pool employees

A motion was made by Ehmen seconded by Slocum to set Pool Manager Wanda Moses' pay rate at \$17.25/hour, Assistant Manager Dave Seggerman's pay rate at \$16.75/hour and Assistant Manager Kelly Nun's pay rate at \$16.00/hour for the 2023 Pool Season. Roll call vote – ayes-Ehmen, Jarosz, Slocum and Verhage, nays-none, abstain-Moses. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Moses, seconded by Jarosz to set lifeguard wages for the 2023 Pool Season at:
1st year: \$11.50/hour, 2nd year: \$12.00/hour, 3rd year: \$12.50/hour, 4th year: \$12.75/hour and for returning lifeguards at \$13.00/hour if they have certification and training beyond the minimum requirements and multiple seasons of employment. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Taylor Lawn & Sprinklers Estimate-Park Maintenance Plan

A motion was made by Moses, seconded by Jarosz to approve the 4-step fertilizer treatment plan from Taylor Lawn and Sprinklers for the park on 6th Ave. in the amount of \$1,200. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Re-seeding/sod in the 900 block of F Street

A motion was made by Moses, seconded by Slocum to approve the purchase of sod from All Around and Landscaping to be installed on the north and south sides of the street in the 900 block of F Street as a result of the 2022 paving project in the amount of \$2,450.00. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed. JEO Consulting Group, LLC will be checking with Van Kirk Brothers for possible reimbursement.

Pay Application #2-2021 Street Improvement-Van Kirk Brothers Contracting-\$232,785.90

A motion was made by Ehmen, seconded by Verhage to approve Pay Application #2-2021 Street Improvement to Van Kirk Brothers Contracting in the amount of \$232,785.90. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0-nays. Motion passed.

Medical Insurance Package with Blue Cross/Blue Shield

A motion was made by Verhage, seconded by Jarosz to approve the annual renewal of Plan B for the Village of Fairmont employees medical insurance plan coverage with Blue Cross/Blue Shield. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Updated Lease Agreement with Verizon Wireless (adjustment monthly rent)

After a brief discussion, it was decided the Village should propose a counter-offer to Verizon for \$3,000/month as a rent payment.

Part-time maintenance position

A motion was made by Jarosz, seconded by Verhage to hire Todd Rath with a wage set at \$18.00/hour. Roll call vote – ayes: Jarosz, Verhage, Slocum and Ehmen; 0 nays; abstain: Moses. Motion passed.

Full-time maintenance position

This will be tabled until the next meeting.

Claims

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

Correspondence

None

Old Business

None

Library Report-Wanda Marget

Wanda announced there is a vacancy on the library board. So far a couple of applications have been received to fill the vacancy. There is no update on when the Governor plans to schedule his visit.

Village Marshal Report – Tyler Salmon

Marshal Salmon mentioned a traffic complaint that was received occurring on I Street. There was a discussion on abandoned houses in town.

Utility Superintendent Report – Mike Scheil

Superintendent Scheil shared his monthly report with the Board of Trustees. He stated the baby pool has some other leakage issues not previously known.

Aging Services-Shandra Reinsch

Shandra applied for a Community Improvement grant through POET. The first food order has been placed with Cash-Wa. Food training in Seward has been completed. An art show and craft show may be held sometime in the future. There was a discussion on making a couple of adjustments to the Bylaws. One change being in Article III, Section 1: Membership: “The Aging Services Board shall consists of five (5) members, who shall be appointed by the Chairman, with the approval of the Fairmont Village Board of Trustees.” With the elimination of “Chairman, with the approval of the”. After the revision it will read: “The Aging Services Board shall

consists of five (5) members, who shall be appointed by the Fairmont Village Board of Trustees.” The second revision will occur in Article III, Section 2: Meetings; Part “a” at the end of the paragraph “meetings are subject to change” will be added. A motion was made by Ehmen, seconded by Jarosz to approve the modifications as stated to the Fairmont Aging Services Bylaws. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed. Fillmore Senior Services Director, Brenda Motis, indicated with a name change to the Fairmont Senior Center will not result in loss of funding from the government.

Clerk/Treasurer Report-Karen Margheim

There was nothing to report.

Payment Arrangement(s)

There were no payment arrangements presented.

Adjournment

At 9:33pm a motion was made by Moses, seconded by Ehmen to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

The next Regular Meeting will be held on Monday, June 12th, 2023 at 7:00pm.

DONALD MOSES,
CHAIRPERSON

KAREN MARGHEIM,
CLERK/TREASURER

Claims

AFLAC	Ins	\$	890.92
Ameritas	RE	\$	2,109.76
Aramark	Su	\$	39.99
Bankcard/CMS	Fee	\$	151.99
Black Hills	Ut	\$	1,167.42
Blue Cross/Blue Shield	Ins	\$	9,113.54
BOK Financial	Note	\$	717,832.50
Boy Scout Troop #175	Ex	\$	75.00
Burton	Ex	\$	85.00
CPI	TIF	\$	7,436.57
Ditch Witch	Su	\$	304.03
Eakes	Ex	\$	247.57
Eakes	Su	\$	154.32
Farmer Coop	Fu	\$	167.29
Farmer Coop-Fire Dept	Fu	\$	467.49
Fillmore County Hospital	Ex	\$	140.00
First Concord Benefits	Be	\$	578.94
First Concord Benefits	Be	\$	543.83
First National Bank of Omaha	Su	\$	2,022.97
First National Bank of Omaha	Su	\$	783.88
First National Bank of Omaha	Su	\$	84.62
First National Bank of Omaha	Su	\$	21.73
First National Bank of Omaha	Su	\$	231.29
First National Bank of Omaha	Su	\$	20.98
Heartland Bank	Fee	\$	20.00
JEO Consulting Group, Inc.	Ex	\$	43,100.00
JEO Consulting Group, Inc.	Ex	\$	6,470.00
JP Cooke Co	Su	\$	81.95
Kopchos	Ex	\$	25.00

Love Signs of Grand Island LLC	Ex	\$	7,890.50
Madison National Life	Ins	\$	36.44
Medical Enterprises, Inc.	Ex	\$	35.00
Mid-American Research Chem	Ex	\$	223.00
Nationwide	Ins	\$	50.00
NE Public Health Envir. Lab	Ex	\$	15.00
NE Public Power Dist	Ut	\$	19,797.89
Neon Link	Ex	\$	82.60
NMPP/MEAN	Fee	\$	2,000.00
One Call Concepts, Inc.	Ex	\$	13.60
Paycom	Fee	\$	521.49
Payroll		\$	16,030.26
Payroll Taxes		\$	5,477.23
Perennial Public Power Dist.	Ut	\$	1,997.04
Petty Cash	Ex	\$	83.00
Post Office	Ex	\$	201.00
Sargent Drilling	CI	\$	1,000.00
Bill & Amanda Schropfer	TIF	\$	132.38
Servi-Tech, Inc.	Ex	\$	62.00
Shandra Reinsch	Fu	\$	75.19
State of Nebr.	Tax	\$	2,079.26
Taylor Lawn & Sprinklers, LLC	Ma	\$	1,200.00
The Nebraska Signal	Pu	\$	62.29
Van Kirk Brothers Contracting	CI	\$	232,785.90
Vericheck	Fee	\$	38.95
Village	Ut	\$	3,238.62
Windstream	Ut	\$	117.26
Windstream	Ut	\$	87.43
Windstream	Ut	\$	417.69
Windstream	Ut	\$	162.51
Visa (listed above)	Su	\$	20.98
Broadreach Books	Su	\$	214.89
Kids Reference	Su	\$	85.92
Boy Scout Troup	Ex	\$	25.00
State of NE	Ut	\$	420.27
Micromarketing	Su	\$	202.57
Windstream	Ut	\$	92.45
Amazon	Su	\$	290.20
Amazon	Su	\$	35.92
Amazon	Misc	\$	6.49

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