

**REGULAR MEETING FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
VILLAGE OF FAIRMONT, NEBRASKA  
MONDAY, JULY 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

The Village Board of Fairmont, Nebraska met in regular session on Monday, July 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: Mike Chambers, Wanda Moses, Tyler Salmon, Wanda Marget, Mike Scheil, Tami Scheil, Shandra Reinsch, Troy Sonnenfeld. 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. Slocum moved and Verhage seconded to approve the minutes of the June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Regular Meeting and June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Special Meeting. Voting: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed. The Treasurer's Report for June 2023 was placed on file.

**Ordinance 23-552 Floodplain Management Program**

A motion was made by Ehmen, seconded by Jarosz to waive the 3-reading requirement for Ordinance #23-552. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed. A motion was made Moses, seconded by Ehmen to approve Ordinance #23-552 for the Floodplain Management Program. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

**Traffic flow at 5<sup>TH</sup> Ave. & I Street intersection**

Marshal Salmon gave an update on the communication with our Village attorney and the Village Street Superintendent. There was a discussion on the requirements needed to be met and the options we have for traffic control. Marshal Salmon will give an update at the August 2023 regular board meeting after having a conference call with the attorney and street superintendent.

**Canvus Outdoor Functional Art**

Clerk Margheim shared information regarding an opportunity for the Village to receive Canvus Outdoor Functional Art repurposed from wind turbine parts at no cost to the Village.

**SEND Drawdown**

No information was received prior to the meeting regarding this drawdown.

**Drug Policy-Resolution 2023-02**

A motion was made by Ehmen, seconded by Jarosz to approve the revised drug policy and Resolution 2023-02 for the inclusion of part-time employees to the random testing pool with the exception of lifeguards. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

**Water rate study**

Due to an increase of indebtedness due to the water treatment plant project, the recommendation was made by the Nebraska Department of Environment & Energy to increase water rates to help off set the extra expense. The Village Board wishes to proceed with a water rate study.

**Claims**

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

**Correspondence**

None

### **Old Business**

Troy Sonnenfeld was offered the position and accepted as our new full-time maintenance personnel. A discussion was started about the new water treatment plant project and the project meeting that occurred on Wednesday, June 28<sup>th</sup> when updates were given from Mike Schultes and Tyler Keenan with JEO Consulting Group, Inc.

### **Pool Report-Wanda Moses**

Wanda shared that swimming lessons have started and a couple of upcoming rentals for the pool have been scheduled. The concrete has been lifted in some areas by Thrasher Foundation Repair and new lights were mentioned.

### **Library Report-Wanda Marget**

The summer reading program is going good. Love Signs will be coming to install the new electronic sign sometime in the next week. A motion was made by Verhage, seconded by Jarosz to approve the addition of Connie Seevers and Amy Tol as newly elected library board members. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

### **Village Marshal Report – Tyler Salmon**

The board received the Marshal's monthly report. There haven't been any issues with overgrown vegetation lately. Communication has not been received from SENDD. The last time the truck was serviced, the suggestion was made for new tires to be put on. A quote of \$1,072 was given. There has been contact with owners regarding abandoned vehicles. Some dialog regarding dog bites ensued.

### **Aging Services-Shandra Reinsch**

The dog show went well. There was a good turnout for manicures. Rentals for the use of the center has increased. The profit from the fundraiser was around \$600.00 and approximately 60 meals were served. The 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for the Senior Center will be celebrated this fall.

### **Utility Superintendent Report – Mike Scheil**

The board received the Utility Superintendent's report. Todd has been mowing and Troy starts Monday. There was some talk regarding the purchase of a side-by-side.

### **Clerk/Treasurer Report-Karen Margheim**

We will have our bond closing on July 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am for the Paving Improvement Project on Road F. Two bond payments will be made this week. The water treatment plant loan documents will be ready in the next couple of weeks.

### **Payment Arrangement(s)**

A motion was made by Jarosz, seconded by Slocum to approve Payment Arrangement #368. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

### **Adjournment**

At 8:48pm a motion was made by Verhage, 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, August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7:00pm.

DONALD MOSES,  
CHAIRPERSON

KAREN MARGHEIM,  
CLERK/TREASURER

### **Claims**

34 Electric	Re	\$	4,199.13
3 E Electrical Eng & Equip	Ma	\$	1,207.98
AFLAC	Ins	\$	765.16
Akrs Equipment	Re	\$	255.62
Ameritas	Re	\$	1,779.74
Angle, Murphy & Campbell	Fee	\$	998.40

Aqua Chem, Inc	Su	\$	466.99
Aramark	Ma	\$	360.51
Ball Ins	Ins	\$	3,118.08
Bankcard/CMS	Fee	\$	147.99
Black Hills	Ut	\$	434.74
Blue Cross/Blue Shield	Ins	\$	8,309.57
Burton	Se	\$	85.00
Burton	Se	\$	1,699.00
Carquest	Ma	\$	39.97
Dept. of Treasury	Tax	\$	13.95
Eakes	Ex	\$	247.57
Eakes	Su	\$	278.84
Farmer Coop	Fu	\$	1,684.00
Farmer Coop	Fu	\$	108.48
First Concord Benefits	Be	\$	578.94
First Concord Benefits	Be	\$	1,784.04
First National Bank of Omaha	Su	\$	2,385.44
First National Bank of Omaha	Su	\$	38.79
First National Bank of Omaha	Su	\$	961.20
First National Bank of Omaha	Su	\$	291.59
Friesen Chevrolet, Inc	Ma	\$	74.07
Geneva Home Center	Re	\$	299.59
Geneva Tire & Auto, Inc	Re	\$	133.85
Hawkins Water Treatment	Su	\$	2,762.45
Heartland Bank	Ex	\$	20.00
JEO Consulting Group, Inc	Cl	\$	8,745.00
JEO Consulting Group, Inc	Cl	\$	31,750.00
Kopchos	Ex	\$	25.00
Lichti's Inc	Re	\$	132.88
Madison National Life	Ins	\$	17.27
Municipal Supply Inc	Su	\$	683.51
Nebraska Power Review Board	Misc	\$	61.76
NE Public Health Env Lab	Ma	\$	15.00
Nebraska Public Power Dist	Ut	\$	33,205.65
Nebraska Rural Water Assn	Misc	\$	840.00
Nick's Farm Store	Su	\$	191.00
No Blue Rescue	Misc	\$	290.00
One Call Concepts, Inc	Misc	\$	7.16
Paycom	Fee	\$	761.83
Payroll		\$	30,940.53
Payroll Taxes		\$	9,066.51
Perennial	Ut	\$	1,997.04
Perennial	Ut	\$	12.03
Post Office	Fee	\$	94.00
Post Office	Su	\$	201.00
Schmader Electric	Re	\$	4,065.00
Shandra Reinsch	Misc	\$	485.57
State of Nebr.	Tax	\$	2,899.63
The Nebraska Signal	Pu	\$	135.47
Tyler Salmon	Misc	\$	17.56

Veri check	Fee	\$	35.35
Village	Ut	\$	4,778.60
Wanda Moses	Misc	\$	40.00
Windstream	Ut	\$	132.78
Windstream	Ut	\$	86.53
Windstream	Ut	\$	432.98
Windstream	Ut	\$	160.59
The Pioneer Woman	Su	\$	12.00
Windstream/Kinetic	Ut	\$	91.91
Amazon	Su	\$	321.59

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