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## Village of Farnam Board Proceedings

Regular Meeting October 11, 2022

Notice of said meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Trustees and were also posted in three public places within the Village of Farnam. All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

This is an open meeting of Farnam Village Board. The Village of Farnam abides by the Open Meetings Act in the Conducting of Business. The Village Board may vote to go into Closed Session on any agenda item as allowed by state law.

Chairman Ryan Schurr called the meeting to order at 6:59 p.m.

Trustees answering roll call were Ryan Schurr, Tracy Adkisson, Mike Russman, Darla Lungrin, and Dan Widick.

Motion moved by Schurr, second by Lungrin, to approve the agenda for the Meeting. Roll vote showed – Yes: Lungrin, Adkisson, Widick, Russman, Schurr; five approved, motion carried.

Officer Jacobson was on hand to answer questions as they relate to the Dawson County Sheriff's report. Motion moved by Adkisson, second by Schurr, to approve the Sheriff's report. Roll vote showed – Yes: Lungrin, Russman, Widick, Schurr, Adkisson; five approved, motion carried.

Rickey Maendele from Rickey's Removal LLC was available to answer questions regarding nuisance abatement. Village Attorney, Brennon Malcom, went on a ride along to view the properties that have been declared nuisances by resolution. Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, will ensure a W-9 and Independent Contractor Agreement have been completed before any work begins.

Ron Kothe of 521 Dawson St provided comments regarding the proposed dog ordinance as well as potential use for the baseball field area.

Motion moved by Widick, second by Schurr, to read the amended proposed dog ordinance. Roll vote showed – Yes: Widick, Lungrin, Schurr; No: Adkisson, Russman; three approved, motion carried. Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, and Village Attorney, Brennon Malcom, read through the proposed ordinance in its entirety.

Village Attorney, Brennon Malcom, advised the Board that the deed has been received and filed for the property located at 504 Main St. On October 12, 2022, Mr. Malcom will present a check to the Dawson County Treasurer for the back taxes owed on the property. After viewing the property, it was decided to put a new lock on the door and cover some broken windows to secure the property. Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, will contact family members of the previous owner who have indicated interest in personal effects in the home.

Village Attorney, Brennon Malcom, also advised the Board that he is continuing to work on annexation of the area currently known as the Country Partners Bin Site.



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Motion moved by Widick, second by Schurr, to approve the legal report provided by Village Attorney, Brennon Malcom. Roll vote showed – Yes: Schurr, Russman, Lungrin, Adkisson, Widick; five approved, motion carried.

Village Utility Superintendent, Rod Klein, advised the Board that all necessary items have been winterized, with the exception of the bathrooms at the park. After an event at the park on October 16, 2022, he will winterize and close the bathrooms at the park as well. The standpipe was inspected via submersible equipment and appears to be in good condition. The pipe will need to be drained and physically inspected in 2023. Mr. Klein attended ten hours of continuing education at water school in Gering, Nebraska. There is some confusion over well water samples that need to be sent to the State of Nebraska. Mr. Klein and Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, are working with the Department of Environment and Energy, Ground Water Division to address the situation. Motion moved by Adkisson, second by Lungrin, to approve the utility report provided by Village Utility Superintendent, Rod Klein. Roll vote showed – Yes: Lungrin, Widick, Russman, Adkisson, Schurr; five approved, motion carried.

Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, presented the annual Treasurer’s Report. Motion moved by Adkisson, second by Widick, to approve the report. Roll vote showed – Yes: Widick, Schurr, Russman, Adkisson, Lungrin; five approved, motion carried.

Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, advised that the water meter project, clearing of the 315 Main Street Lot, street repair bill, radar sign project, and ACH billing project are all still pending. The Drinking Water Security Grant has been completed and reimbursement funds have been received.

A building permit for 222 Lincoln St was reviewed. According to the permit submitted by Mrs. Nancy Westphal, an accessory building will be brought onto the property for “a beauty shop hooked to the house”. The permit was approved to bring the building to the property; however, the Board would like to address zoning questions regarding an accessory building being used for a business on a residentially zoned lot. Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, will advise the property owners of the concerns raised.

Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, advised that a letter from Oak Creek Engineering regarding the bridge on the south side of the Village. An annual inspection needs to be completed in October 2022.

Motion moved by Russman, second by Lungrin, to approve the Clerk’s report. Roll vote showed – Yes: Widick, Lungrin, Russman, Schurr, Adkisson; five approved, motion carried.

Motion moved by Widick, second by Russman, to approve the bills for September 2022. Roll vote showed – Yes: Widick, Lungrin, Adkisson, Schurr, Russman; five approved, motion carried. Bills are as follows: Dawson County Treasurer (Law Enforcement) \$608.34, Rod Klein (Insurance) \$1375.00, Rod Klein (Cell Phone) \$35.00, Schaben Sanitation (Solid Waste Collection) \$1,991.22, One Call Concepts (Digger’s Hotline) \$13.14, Great Plains Tire (Fuel) \$332.63, Malcom, Nelson & Windrum (Legal) \$500.00, Camas Publishing (Newspaper) \$71.30, American Ag Lab (Water Test) \$19.50, ATC Communications (Phone/Internet) \$141.62, Intuit (Payroll Processing) \$8.52, Dearborn National (Firemen’s Insurance) \$199.52, DPPD (Electricity) \$1,878.65, First State Bank (Credit Card) \$1,594.35, Payroll \$3475.62, First State Bank (Streets Loan) \$934.25, Rod Klein (Reimbursement for water sample postage) \$36.75, NE Dept of Public Health (Water testing) \$247.00, Tim Aanenson (Nuisance Abatement) \$383.00, IRS (Federal Withholding) \$2,241.64, Tim Matchett (Utility Deposit Refund) \$161.15, Greg and Kendi Boller (Utility Deposit Refund) \$150.00, NE Dept of Revenue (State



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Withholding) \$196.39, Dawson County Court (Garnishment) \$198.63, Country Partners Co-op (TIF Payment) \$13,469.14, Dawson County Treasurer (Property Tax Certificate) \$971.88, NE Dept of Revenue (Sales Tax Payment) \$515.70.

Motion moved by Lungrin, second by Widick, to approve the August 29, 2022 minutes. Roll vote showed – Yes: Russman, Lungrin, Schurr; abstain: Widick, Adkisson; three approved, motion carried.

Motion moved by Russman, second by Lungrin, to approve the September 13, 2022 1 & 6 Year Hearing minutes. Roll vote showed – Yes: Widick, Lungrin, Russman; abstain: Schurr, Adkisson; three approved, motion carried.

Motion moved by Widick, second by Lungrin, to approve the September 13, 2022 Budget Hearing minutes. Roll vote showed – Yes: Lungrin, Russman, Widick; abstain: Adkisson, Schurr; three approved, motion carried.

Motion moved by Lungrin, second by Russman, to approve the September 13, 2022 regular meeting minutes. Roll vote showed – Yes: Russman, Lungrin, Widick; abstain: Schurr, Adkisson; three approved, motion carried.

Motion moved by Adkisson, second by Lungrin, to approve the September 27, 2022 planning meeting minutes. Roll vote showed – Yes: Widick, Lungrin, Adkisson; abstain: Schurr, Russman; three approved, motion carried.

Motion moved by Lungrin, second by Adkisson, to enter into executive session at 9:12 p.m. for the prevention of needless harm to the reputation of a person or business pertaining to Village personnel. Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, and Village Attorney, Brennon Malcom, are invited to join the Trustees in executive session. Roll vote showed – Yes: Schurr, Adkisson, Russman, Lungrin, Widick; five approved, motion carried.

Open session of the Board of Trustees resumed at 9:38 p.m.

The next Planning Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be October 25, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be November 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion moved by Lungrin, second by Widick, to adjourn the meeting at 9:41 p.m. Roll vote showed – Yes: Russman, Lungrin, Adkisson, Widick, Schurr; five approved, motion carried.