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## Village of Farnam Board Proceedings

Regular Meeting, February 13, 2024

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 Village of Farnam Board of Trustees. The Village of Farnam abides by the Open Meetings Act in the conducting of Village business. A copy of the Open Meetings Act is displayed in this room on the south side of the North door, as required by State Law. The Board of Trustees may go into closed or executive session on any item as allowed by State Law.

Chairman Mike Russman called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Trustees answering roll call were Darla Lungrin, Dan Widick, and Mike Russman. Gary Hartley and Tracy Adkisson were excused.

Motion moved by Lungrin, second by Widick, to approve the agenda for the Meeting. Roll vote showed – Yes: unanimous; Absent: Hartley, Adkisson; three approved, motion carried.

Dawson County Sheriff's deputies were on hand to answer questions but a written report was not given to the Trustees.

Public Comment was heard by Cory Heath regarding water usage, and by Jodi Reng, Nancy Westphal, Becki Tobin, Galen Heath, and Rodney Tobin regarding IPMC.

Tom Beytien of the IPMC Committee reviewed IPMC literature and current committee research. No action was taken at this time.

Trustee Widick reported that West Central Nebraska Development District will help the Village apply for housing rehabilitation funding. If grant funds are awarded, WCNDD will oversee applications from property owners. Motion moved by Widick, second by Russman, to continue working with WCNDD on the Affordable Housing Trust Grant to rehabilitate five properties with a match of \$5,000 per property as stipulated within the grant application. Roll vote showed – Yes: unanimous; Absent: Adkisson, Hartley; three approved, motion carried.

Village Attorney, Brennon Malcom, advised that current tax sale amounts from properties located at 321 Frontier St and 501 Lincoln St total \$1,344.63. These certificates will mature in 2026. Motion moved by Lungrin, second by Widick, to approve the purchase of the certificates. Roll vote showed – Yes: unanimous; Absent: Hartley, Adkisson; three approved, motion carried.

Village Attorney, Brennon Malcom, recommended the Wyze camera system for park surveillance. These cameras are currently out of stock. Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, will continue to monitor the website and order cameras when they become available.



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Properties currently under nuisance abatement were reviewed. No action was taken at this time.

Utility Superintendent, Rod Klein, reported that all water tests have returned clean, and wells have no issues. The State of Nebraska is requiring a lead and copper inventory that will outline types of pipes in the Village water system. Inventory sheets will be mailed out with water bills when they are available. There was a water leak at 302 Main St at the water shut off valve that has been repaired. Four loads of gravel were received by the Village.

Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, reported that a quote was received from Outdoor Recreation Products for \$2,915.77 to replace the damaged tunnel at the park. Information was passed out regarding the EPIC tax currently being debated by the State. The Audit Waiver Report from the State Auditor's Office was reviewed. Motion moved by Lungrin, second by Widick, to approve Resolution 2024-2 authorizing participation in the Lincoln County/Rural Fire Protection District Interlocal Ambulance Agreement. Roll vote showed – Yes: unanimous; Absent: Adkisson, Hartley; three approved, motion carried.

Motion moved by Russman, second by Widick, to approve the minutes from the January 23, 2024 meeting. Roll vote showed – Yes: unanimous; Absent: Adkisson, Hartley; three approved, motion carried.

Motion moved by Widick, second by Russman, to approve the claims as amended. Roll vote showed – Yes: unanimous; Absent: Hartley, Adkisson; three approved, motion carried. Claims included: Sinking Fund Transfer (\$1,000.00), Dawson County Treasurer (Law Enforcement) \$608.34, Schaben Sanitation (Solid Waste Disposal) \$2,507.34, One Call Concepts (Digger's Hotline) \$0.00, Great Plains Tire (Fuel) \$582.82, Malcom, Nelson & Windrum (Legal and Nuisance Abatement Fees) \$1,009.80, Camas Publishing (Newspaper) \$67.73, American Ag Lab (Water Testing) \$21.50, ATC Communications (Phone/Internet) \$158.81, Black Hills Energy (Natural Gas) \$647.48, Dearborn Insurance (Firemen's Insurance) \$106.64, Dawson Public Power District (Electricity) \$2,035.30, First State Bank (Credit Card) \$1,091.73, Payroll (not including Rod Klein or Darla Lungrin) \$1,143.32, FYR-TEK (Ambulance Payment) \$25,942.92, Municipal Supply (Meter Bottom Plates) \$56.67, Michael Tood Industries (Street Signs) \$727.98, Fox Insurance (Clerk Bond) \$100.00, Titan Machinery (Tractor Parts) \$875.72, Paulsen, Inc. (Road Gravel) \$204.03, Carquest (Paint) \$60.96, Hicken Lumber (Paint) \$57.98, Dawson County Treasurer (Tax Sale Certificates) \$1,344.63.

Seeing no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

The next meeting of the Village of Farnam Board of Trustees will be Tuesday, February 27, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.