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Village of Farnam Board Proceedings

Planning March 28, 2023

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 Mike Russman called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

Trustees answering roll call were Mike Russman, Dan Widick and Gary Hartley.

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

Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, reported that one response has been received in response to the request for proposal for building a comprehensive plan. This quote reports that it will be approximately \$15,000 to complete the plan. Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, will continue to research the need for a comprehensive plan, more bids for the process and other requirements of the Village to access federal grant funds.

After attending the Nebraska Clerk's Institute and Academy, Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, recommended removing all petty cash or other monies not specifically reviewed by the Board of Trustees. She reports that cash payments will be received, however no change will be given. If the exact amount is not received, any remaining funds will be applied as credit for future bills.

Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, also recommended a posting indicating that chance meetings of Trustees may happen from time to time and that, while a quorum has been created, no Village business will be discussed at these chance meetings and they do not violate the Open Meeting Act.

Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, advised the Board that the request for applicants to self-report criminal histories on the application may be construed as discriminatory. She recommended removing that section and instead advising applicants of the possibility of a criminal background check as a condition of hire.

All recommendations were approved by the Board and will be implemented immediately.

Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, reported that the Village was awarded \$75,000 from the federal ARPA funds for the purchase of an ambulance. She will accept these funds and collect information on utilizing the funds.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be April 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. The next Planning Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be April 25, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.