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Village of Farnam Board Proceedings

Regular March 9, 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 pro tempore Tracy Adkisson called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

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

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

The floor was opened for public comment. No one requested to address the Board.

The Dawson County Sheriff's office was not available to provide a monthly report.

Village Attorney, Brennon Malcom, read the proposed annexation ordinance by title only. Motion moved by Adkisson, second by Lungrin, to approve the third reading and adopt the ordination pertaining to annexation of the property referred to as the "Country Partners Coop Administrative Subdivision Annexation." Roll vote showed – Yes: Widick, Lungrin, Adkisson, Hartley; Absent: Russman; four approved, motion carried.

Motion moved by Adkisson, second by Widick, to adopt Resolution 2023-11 which approves the Country Partners Coop Administrative Subdivision Annexation. Roll vote showed – Yes: Lungrin, Adkisson, Widick; Abstain: Hartley; Absent: Russman; three approved, motion carried.

Discussion was had about the secondary structure on the property located at 222 Lincoln St. Ordinances were reviewed with the property owner. This will be revisited at the April 2023 regular meeting.

There are two accounts eligible for special assessments. These will be addressed at the April 2023 meeting.

The properties at 321 Frontier and 109 Railroad Streets are still pending nuisance abatement action. The vehicles at 321 Frontier St should be removed and the abandoned mobile home at 109 Railroad needs to be removed from the property.

Motion moved by Adkisson, second by Lungrin, to approve the legal report. Roll vote showed – Yes: Hartley, Widick, Lungrin, Adkisson; Absent: Russman; four approved, motion carried.



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The utility report was delivered by Trustee Adkisson. He indicates that all lab results came back negative or under the legal limit. Some gravel has been received and has been spread onto various streets. He is attempting to source more gravel.

Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, provided information regarding the bridge south of town. This will be taken up at the April meeting after input from the League of Municipalities.

Outlay request #3 was presented to request money from the SRF for Miller and Associates Invoices. Motion moved by Adkisson, second by Lungrin, to approve the outlay request. Roll vote showed – Yes: Adkisson, Widick, Lungrin, Hartley; Absent: Russman; four approved, motion carried.

A Conditional Use Permit from the property owner at 505 Dawson St to place an enclosed storage trailer on the property. Trustee Lungrin reports that he would like to make amendments to the permit. Clerk Gurule will contact the property owner for an update.

Questions regarding the budget and reporting processes were addressed. No action was taken. Village Accountant, Scott France, will be invited to the June meeting to address concerns.

Correspondence from Diggler's Lawn Care was reviewed. No action was taken on this item.

Proposals from Shelco Asphalt and Paving and from S&S Striping. The projects were reviewed. The Board will wait until more bids have been collected for the other projects.

Utility payment policies were discussed and it was decided that the current policy of using soft disconnect timelines will continue and accounts that are not paid at noon on the day of disconnection will be charged a reconnection fee. Physical disconnection will not be a consideration of the reconnection fee.

Multiple residents have inquired about Ordinances on short-term rentals such as Air BNB properties. The Trustees and Village Attorney will consider this topic and revisit it at the April 2023 regular meeting.

Motion moved by Widick, second by Hartley, to close Village owned CDs 7017, 7048 and 7014. Roll vote showed – Yes: Adkisson, Lungrin, Hartley, Widick; Absent: Russman; four approved, motion carried.

Motion moved by Adkisson, second by Lungrin, to deposit all monies previously contained in CDs 7017, 7048 and 7014 into a 9-month CD with a 4.29% APY at the First State Bank in Farnam, Nebraska. Roll vote showed – Yes: Widick, Lungrin, Adkisson, Hartley; Absent: Russman; four approved, motion carried.

Motion moved by Widick, second by Lungrin, to approve the Clerk's report. Roll vote showed – Yes: Hartley, Adkisson, Lungrin, Widick; Absent: Russman; four approved, motion carried.

Motion moved by Adkisson, second by Widick, to approve the bills with the addition of Dawson County Court (garnishment) in the amount of \$216.71. Roll vote showed – Yes: Hartley, Adkisson, Lungrin, Widick; Absent: Russman; four 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) \$2,284.40, One Call Concepts (Digger's Hotline) \$2.78, Great Plains Tire (Fuel) \$627.38, Malcom, Nelson & Windrum (Legal) \$383.00, Camas Publishing (Newspaper) \$90.91, American Ag Lab (Water Test)



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\$19.50, ATC Communications (Phone/Internet) \$0.64 (was double paid in February 2023), Black Hills Energy (Natural Gas) \$545.20, Dearborn National (Firemen's Insurance) \$106.64, DPPD (Electricity) \$2,125.68, First State Bank (Credit Card) \$645.50, Payroll \$3,133.11, First State Bank (Streets Loan) \$934.25, NE Public Health Environment Lab (Water Testing) \$247.00, Steve and Marilyn Smith (Water Tap Reimbursement) \$336.00, Josh Krueger (Deposit Refund) \$125.00, Myer's Construction (Water Meter Project) \$100,057.64, Myer's Construction (Water Meter Project) \$21,032.87, Jeffery Consulting (Street Snow Removal) \$1,000.00.

The meeting minutes from the February 14, 2023 meeting were not approved as they were incomplete. These minutes will be available for review at the March 28, 2023 Planning Meeting.

The next Planning Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be March 28, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

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

Motion moved by Widick, second by Lungrin, to adjourn the meeting at 9:56 p.m. Roll vote showed – Yes: Adkisson, Lungrin, Widick, Hartley; Absent: Russman; four approved, ,motion carried.