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Village of Farnam Board Proceedings

Regular Meeting September 13, 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.

In the absence of the Chair and Chair Pro Tempore, Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Trustees answering roll call were Mike Russman, Darla Lungrin, and Dan Widick.

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

A letter of resignation by Trustee Adkisson was tendered at the Regular Meeting held on 8-9-22. Motion moved by Russman, second by Widick, to deny this letter of resignation. Roll vote showed – Yes: Widick, Lungrin, Russman; three approved, motion carried.

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

Ron Kothe of 521 Dawson St, Rebecca and Rodney Tobin of 404 Carson St, Cory Heath of 603 Dawson St, Jodi Rent of 616 Dawson St, and Lori McPeak of 521 Lincoln St provided comments regarding the proposed dog ordinance. Betty Hoppe-Stevens of 611 Moose St provided comment on water for the Memorial Garden located at 313 Main St.

Motion moved by Russman, second by Widick, to strike the third reading of the proposed dog ordinance. Roll vote showed – Yes: Russman, Lungrin, Widick; three approved, motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the proposed dog ordinance. Village Attorney, Brennon Malcom, will revise the proposed ordinance and will have an it available for the October Regular meeting.

Village Attorney, Brennon Malcom, advised that he has received a signed deed to the property located at 504 Main St. He reports that the Leach family is requesting additional time in removing personal property due to illness. The deed to the property will be filed with the Register of Deeds on September 21, 2022.



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Village Attorney, Brennon Malcom, has been in contact with Tod Clark, CEO of Country Partners Coop regarding annexation of the bin site south of the Village. He is currently locating signatories for all involved parties to file the annexation paperwork.

The proposed Village Employee Handbook has not been reviewed at this time.

Motion moved by Lungrin, second by Widick, to accept the legal report. Roll vote showed – Yes: Russman, Lungrin, Widick; three approved, motion carried.

Village Utility Superintendent, Rod Klein, was not available to provide a report. He is currently at water school for CEU credit.

Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, reported that the SRF water meter project is currently waiting for the completion of contracts. A pre-construction meeting will be scheduled to discuss installation timelines.

Trustee, Mike Russman, reported that Blue River Mill Wright has agreed to lower the bell, siren and tower at the 315 Main St. property. This is expected to be completed by the end of the month. The siren will be moved to the north pump house location. The bell will be placed as a historic monument in the Village. The tower will be removed. The Veteran's memorial flag pole will be relocated to the north east corner of the park.

Discussion was held regarding the bill for street damage done in early July 2022 by inappropriately moving a storage unit on Village streets and alleyways.

The camera and locks have been installed at the north pump house. The camera has been installed at the south pump house. When the south lock is installed, Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, will complete the requirements for the Water Security reimbursement.

All pieces for the radar speed signs have been received. The speed signs are not installed as of yet.

Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, is researching required language for a resolution of intent to use ARPA funds.

Discussion was held regarding funds donated to the Village for specific projects and the most appropriate way to account for those dollars.

Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, is researching grant possibilities.

No building permits were submitted.

Two new accounts were opened with the Village.

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

CDs 107016 and 107014 will mature on 9/17/2022. Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, will look into higher interest rates and file these two CDs on the same schedule with the better interest rate.



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CD 107015 will mature on 9/17/2022. Motion moved by Widick, second by Lungrin, to cash out the CD to the Village Checking account. These funds will be directed to the Street fund. Roll vote showed – Yes: Russman, Lungrin, Widick; three approved, motion carried.

Motion moved by Russman, second by Lungrin, to approve the bills for August 2022. Roll vote showed – Yes: Widick, Lungrin, Russman; three 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) \$1,891.21, One Call Concepts (Digger's Hotline) \$8.76, Great Plains Tire (Fuel) \$356.63, Malcom, Nelson & Windrum (Legal) \$987.00, Camas Publishing (Newspaper) \$170.78, American Ag Lab (Water Test) \$19.50, ATC Communications (Phone/Internet) \$134.65, Intuit (Payroll Processing) \$8.52, Dearborn National (Firemen's Insurance) \$99.76, DPPD (Electricity) \$1,968.50, First State Bank (Credit Card) \$645.47-\$1290.94 (DOUBLE PAID), Payroll \$3830.83, First State Bank (Streets Loan) \$934.25, FYR-TEK (Hoses and Clamps) \$147.90, Country Partners (T-Posts) \$26.25, Summit Supply Corp. (Swing Seats) \$190.35, Miller and Associates (SRF Project) \$895.00, Davis Well Repair (Small Equipment) \$14.13, Menards (Small Equipment) \$60.90, Nebraska Municipal Clerks' Assoc. (Dues) \$50.00, International Institute of Municipal Clerks (Dues) \$175.00, Nebraska Rural Water Association (Continuing Education) \$200.00, Waste Reduction and Recycling (Annual Tax) (53.54)

Motion moved by Lungrin, second by Widick, to approve the August 9, 2022 minutes. Roll vote showed – Yes: Russman, Lungrin, Widick; three approved, motion carried.

Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, reported that a quorum was not reached for a meeting on August 23, 2022.

A quorum of those attending the meeting on August 29, 2022 is not available at this meeting. The minutes from the August 29, 2022 meeting will be reviewed at the Planning meeting on September 27, 2022.

The next Planning Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be September 27, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be October 11, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion moved by Lungrin, second by Widick, to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 p.m. Roll vote showed – Yes: Russman, Lungrin, Widick; three approved, motion carried.