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Village of Farnam Board Proceedings
Regular Meeting
November 9, 2021

Notice of said meeting were 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.

Village Chairman, Ryan Schurr, called the Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Board of Trustees answering roll call were Tracy Adkisson, Darla Lungrin, Mike Russman, Ryan Schurr and Dan Widick.

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

The Sheriff's Report was unavailable.

Correspondence from State Farm Insurance and Aupperle Plumbing, as well as the original claim from Mr. Carroll Holl regarding damage caused by a sewer backup in June of 2021 were reviewed. There is no evidence of negligence or liability on the part of the Village. Motion moved by Widick, second by Lungrin, to deny the claim presented by Mr. Holl. Roll vote showed – Yes: Widick, Adkisson, Lungrin, Russman, Schurr; five approved, motion carried.

Mr. Nate Fox of LARM Insurance reviewed all properties and equipment to be covered under the LARM Insurance policy. Motion moved by Russman, second by Lungrin, to approve the insurance policy and values as they were discussed and with changes that were requested during this meeting. Roll vote showed – Yes: Adkisson, Schurr, Lungrin, Widick, Russman; five approved, motion carried.

Village Attorney, Brennon Malcom., reviewed the procedure that will be used to gain title to the abandoned vehicles at 504 Main St. He also reported that he is in the possession of the 2nd deed that was transferred to the Cemetery Board. Finally, the Hale property on Dawson St. has been sold at a Sheriff's sale and will be cleaned up according to the new owner. Motion moved by

Russman, second by Adkisson, to approve Village Attorney, Brennon Malcom's report. Roll vote showed – Yes: Widick, Lungrin, Schurr, Russman, Adkisson; five approved, motion carried.

The Board of Trustees reviewed the Nuisance Abatement process and discussed recommendations to complete this project. Motion moved by Russman, second by Widick, to declare the property at 417 Buffalo St. a nuisance. Roll vote showed – Yes: Lungrin, Adkisson, Widick, Russman, Schurr; five approved, motion carried.

Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, read the proposed Street Improvement District Ordinance for the second time.

The Main Street improvement plan was discussed. Motion moved by Russman, second by Adkisson, to proceed with the projects listed on the estimate that can be completed this fall, with the costs to be paid out of the General Fund. A Streets Reimbursement Resolution will be considered with the financing proposal. Roll vote showed – Yes: Widick, Lungrin, Adkisson, Schurr, Russman; five approved, motion carried.

The terms “Mobile Home Park” and “RV Enabled Campsite” were discussed. It was determined that the area on Highway 23 that was previously called the “Mobile Home Park” according to records and permits does not meet the statutory requirements for a “Mobile Home Park”. Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, will look into appropriate permits and ordinances regarding an “RV Enabled Campsite”

The Affidavit to release the lien on property legally described as Lots 17 and 18, Block 14, in the original town of the Village of Farnam, Dawson County, Nebraska was reviewed. When the lien is satisfied, Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, will sign and return the affidavit.

Village Utility Superintendent, Rod Klein, reported that the wells were working and have passed all water tests, the sewer lines were treated with copper sulfate and two lines were jetted. In three weeks, Johnson's will be here to clean the sewer pit. Village Utility Superintendent, Rod Klein, will inspect and repair the park equipment as necessary. Motion moved by Adkisson, second by Russman, to approve Village Utility Superintendent, Rod Klein's report. Roll vote showed – Yes: Adkisson, Russman, Schurr, Lungrin, Widick; five approved, motion carried.

Bids for repair or demolition of the building at 315 Main Street were reviewed. Motion moved by Russman, second by Lungrin, to stop the electric service currently running to the building. Roll vote showed – Yes: Adkisson, Widick, Russman, Lungrin, Schurr; five approved, motion carried.

Motion moved by Russman, second by Schurr, to adopt a Resolution of Intent in regards to the Floodplain ordinance that was approved in August 2021. Roll vote showed – Yes: Schurr, Russman, Lungrin, Adkisson, Widick; five approved, motion carried.

The Annual Treasurer's Report was submitted by Village Treasurer, Darcy Gurule. Motion moved by Russman, second by Widick, to accept the Annual Treasurer's Report. Roll vote showed – Yes: Schurr, Russman, Lungrin, Adkisson, Widick; five approved, motion carried.

The sidewalk at 222 Lincoln St was removed earlier in the year. The property owners indicated that they would be installing a driveway from the street onto their property. According to Chapter 8, Article 2, sidewalks must be maintained in good repair and replaced by the property owner or at the property owner's expense. Village Utility Superintendent, Rod Klein, will follow up on this.

Motion moved by Russman, second by Adkisson to approve amended minutes from the October 12, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Roll vote showed – Yes: Russman, Lungrin, Widick, Adkisson, Schurr; five approved, motion carried. The amendment will show Mike Russman responding to roll call at this meeting.

Motion moved by Lungrin, second by Russman, to approve the minutes from the October 26, 2021 Planning Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Roll vote showed – Yes: Schurr, Lungrin, Russman, Adkisson; Abstain: Widick; four approved, motion carried.

Motion moved by Russman, second by Schurr, to approve the minutes from the October 28, 2021 Emergency Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Roll vote showed – Yes: Russman, Lungrin, Adkisson, Schurr; Abstain: Widick; four approved, motion carried.

Motion moved by Schurr, second by Lungrin, to approve the September bills. Roll vote showed: Yes – Lungrin, Russman, Widick, Adkisson, Schurr; five approved, motion carried. Bills are as follows: Dawson County Treasurer (Law Enforcement) \$608.34, Rod Klein (Health Insurance) \$1,375.00, Rod Klein (Cell Phone) \$35.00, Schaben Sanitation (Garbage Collection) \$1,954.22, ATC Communications (Phone and Internet) \$142.98, Dearborn National (Firemen Insurance) \$0.00, DPPD (Electricity) \$1,799.84, Black Hills Energy (Natural Gas) \$140.81, Intuit (Payroll Processing) \$8.52, One Call Concepts (Diggers Hotline) \$0.00, Great Plains Tire and Services (Fuel) \$321.50, Malcom, Nelson and Windrum (Legal) \$711.00, CAMAS Publication (Newspaper) \$171.73, Payroll \$3,480.05, American Ag Lab (Water Test) \$19.50, Tri-City Sign (Office Sign) \$295.00, Best Buy (Printer) \$699.99, Menards (Shop Supplies) \$13.69, Unitech (Sewer Maintenance) \$975.00, NE Public Health Lab (Water Test) \$38.00, USPS (Postage) \$124.70, Darla Lungrin (Paint) \$136.84, Hicken Lumbar (Shop Supplies) \$45.98.

Motion moved by Lungrin, seconded by Russman, to adjourn the meeting at 10:06 PM CST. Roll vote showed – Yes: Schurr, Lungrin, Widick, Russman, Adkisson; five approved, motion carried.

The next meeting of the Farnam Board of Trustees will be a Planning Meeting on November 16, 2021 at 7:00 PM CST.

The next Regular Meeting of the Farnam Board of Trustees will be on December 14, 2021 at 7:00 PM CST.

APPROVED