

Village of Farnam  
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Village of Farnam Board Proceedings  
Regular Meeting  
October 26, 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 8:00 p.m. Board of Trustees answering roll call were Tracy Adkisson, Ryan Schurr and Mike Russman.

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

Reviewed sewer maintenance with Village Utility Superintendent, Rod Klein. The Board was advised that all sewer lines are treated with copper sulfate every fall and are regularly flushed with 2,000 gallons of water to prevent sewer backups. Village Utility Superintendent, Rod Klein, also reports that man holes are always covered with dirt and gravel in order to maintain the streets and to protect the man hole covers. Moving forward, the line south of the park will be flushed the week before Founder’s Day to ensure proper flow with increased use at the park restrooms.

The sidewalk at 222 Lincoln St. has been removed by the property owner. Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, will send a letter requesting that the sidewalk be replaced as soon as possible.

Motion moved by Adkisson, second by Russman, to introduce an ordinance creating a street improvement district to finance a construction project on Main St south from Antelope to Frontier St. Said ordinance was read by Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule. Roll vote showed – Yes: Adkisson, Schurr, Russman; three approved, motion carried.

Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, reported that our application for a water security grant was approved and that she will be ordering cameras and locks for both water pumps soon.

There was nothing new to report on the water meter and sewer generator project.

The Board reviewed and amended the job description for the Village Utility Superintendent.

The Board reviewed information in regards to the building at 315 Main St. No action was taken.

The Board reviewed Chapter 2, Article 1 of the current ordinance book. Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, will research questions and this Article will be revisited at the next Planning Meeting.

There was nothing to report regarding solar power for the Village.

The Board approved the purchase of a new HP Pro 447 DW for the Offices. The current Epson ET-3760 will be returned.

The Board discussed purchasing a safe for the new Offices.

Village Clerk, Darcy Gurule, is still collecting information regarding the two dormant checking accounts.

The Board reviewed laws that were passed in the recent legislative session. Bills concerning the Village include LB 26 which exempts residential water sales from sales tax, LB 58 which provides for sending individual notices to residents subject to special assessments in lieu of sending copies of the published notice of assessment, LB 218 which adopts the 2018 Uniform Plumbing Code, LB 159 which allows publication of ordinances in electronic form and LB 405 regarding Trustees doing work on behalf of the Village.

Motion moved by Adkisson, second by Russman, to pay contractor Ray Wolcott for his abatement services through 10/25/21. Roll vote showed – Yes: Schurr, Adkisson, Russman; three approved, motion carried.

A hearing regarding the 1- & 6-year plans for the Village Streets will be held on November 9, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board will be on November 9, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion moved by Adkisson, second by Schurr, to adjourn the meeting at 10:05p.m. Roll vote showed – Yes: Russman, Schurr, Adkisson; three approved, motion carried.