

Small Town, Nebraska with Big Heart

# Board of Trustees Meeting February 26, 2020 Meeting Minutes

A Regular Meeting of the Greenwood Board of Trustees will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at the E.L. McDonald Community Center, 619 Main Street, Greenwood, Nebraska

### Call to order

Mack, Starr, Wilken, Gerlach and Piehl were present.

### **Consent Agenda**

Minutes

Claims

ADP	Payroll Processing	\$97.80
ADP Garnish	Garnishment	\$391.77
ADP Tax	Payroll Taxes	\$1786.27
Amazon	Supplies	\$123.83
Ashland Disposal	Refuse Service	\$54.00
Black Hills Energy	Natural Gas	\$281.58
Border States	Supplies	\$8847.31
Constellation	Natural Gas	\$643.03
Emergency Medical Products	Supplies	\$649.99
Employee Wages	Wages	\$6376.47
OPPD	Electric	\$1053.16
PeopleService	Maintenance Contract	\$5712.00
Reader's Digest	Supplies	\$18.00
Ricoh	Printing	\$81.80
The Family Handyman	Supplies	\$10.00
US Postal Service	Postage	\$105.00
Verizon	Telephone	\$153.02
Windstream	Telephone	\$440.81
Wages	Employee Wages	\$6376.47

Approval of time cards and payroll detail report Financials

- Profit and Loss
  - Balance Sheet
  - A/P Aging Summary
  - EFT Transactions

Wilken is withholding payment for EMS reports for Logue, Wrich, and Sobota. He explained we will have to do some more research into why we have not received any rescue revenue before we pay these claims.

Piehl made a motion to approve consent agenda including minutes, claims, approval of time cards/payroll detail report and financials with the exception of payments to Logue, Wrich, and Sobota. Gerlach seconded the motion. Aye-Mack, Piehl, Gerlach, Wilken, Starr Aye-None Motion carried

#### **Water Report**

Grashorn reported the nitrates in the north well are relatively high. He said that last couple samples he has taken were in the 7 and 8's, which is better than it was last year at this time. If the nitrates in the well would rise up to ten then we would need to provide bottled waters for infants and elderly. The other well is in the 6's. He explained that he jetted the sewer on 5<sup>th</sup> Street without any issues. He said that when he jetted the sewer at Oak from North to Main Street there were issues. He said that grease, latex gloves, paper towels, etc. were found while jetting. He feels that we should sent out informational notices to remind people that these things should not be flushed.

Grashorn explained that he had a DEQ inspection that went really well. He said that the village will be getting a notice because of having 9 violations in the last 12 months. He said that 7 of them are paperwork related. The previous employee left at a time when the third quarter DMR's were due. Grashorn said that he was unable to due them electronically until he more paperwork filled out.



Grashorn mentioned getting the contract revised for the village. Cadwell asked Grashorn if the jetting that has being done is part of the maintenance contract in the PeopleService contract and asked where we are at in relation to expenditures this year on the maintenance contract. Grashorn said that he will start including that on the water report.

### **Sheriff Report**

Sergeant Summer was advised to attend the meeting due to the fact that there were some issues that need to be addressed. Wilken explained that we are having issues with unlicensed cars. Summer explained that if a vehicle is on a city street there is an ordinance stating that it must be registered. He said that if cars are not being moved for long periods of time, they are able to issue citations for that.

# **Maintenance Report**

Starr asked if the street signs had been delivered. McClatchey said he thought that they would be delivered this week sometime. Gerlach mentioned the holes in the blade on the snow plow. McClatchey said that he feels like the blade will make it through this year but it will be something to budget for next year.

### **Clerk Report**

Cadwell received a statement from Pinnacle Bank regarding the building loan. They increased the interest rate from 4.5% to 6%. She also mentioned that she received a letter from our natural gas provider Constellation regarding a rate increase due to Northern Natural Gas filing a rate case with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

### **Library Report**

Piehl said that she is meeting with Frank every Friday to approve library purchases

### **Communication of Citizens**

Tucker said he received one certified letter regarding parking his truck in the alleyway. He then brought in rock and now parks his truck on his property. He explained that his neighbor is the one who is driving through the mud. Tucker said that he has taken his snow plow and plowed it out. He said that he has put sand and rock down in the alley way. He said that he has spoken to all of his neighbors and no one has said they have an issue with it. He was not aware that anyone had any issues. He explained that someone made him aware that his truck was brought up at the last meeting. He said that he thought he complied when he put black top rock down and started parking on his property. He said that there are multiple semi-trucks throughout this town that would exceed the weight limit, that are used in everyday daily use. He said that he feels like the board is only making an issue of it with him. He said that if the village is going to make it an issue with him, they will need to make it an issue with all. He said that four houses down from him there is a semi. Wilken said he understands but other people have bought commercial property to park their semi-trucks at. Tucker explained that he runs a home-based business. Wilken explained that Tucker's property is zoned for residential use and he is parking a commercial vehicle on his property. Tucker said that he has to plug it in in the winter time so it will start. Gerlach explained that the whole reason this was brought up was because of the ruts that were created in the alley. Now neighbors are sending in multiple complaints against you. We have to do something.

Tucker said that as far as he knows a maintenance truck has never came down the alley to level it out. He explained that he is the one that has been doing everything for that alley. Gerlach said that we will add this to the next agenda to be addressed.

### **Old Business**

# Discussion approve disapprove purchase of employee uniforms/badges

Piehl said that she spoke to a lady that said it will cost anywhere from \$8 to \$14 to embroider dry blend t-shirts. Starr mentioned that he deals with a person out of Fremont that does then for \$6.50 a shirt. Starr asked how many shirts they were going to get per maintenance worker. Wilken thought 7 shirts per maintenance worker. Gerlach mentioned that he looked up the cost on employee badges and they run around \$8 per badge.

Wilken made a motion to table the purchase of employee uniforms and badges until next meeting. Piehl seconded the motion.

Aye-Gerlach, Wilken, Starr, Mack, Piehl

Nay-None

Motion tabled

# **New Business**

# Discussion approve disapprove purchase of updated maps from JEO

Gerlach said that he brought so it was on record that it was approved by the board to reach out to have these maps updated so we have current maps. Gerlach asked if we have a contract with them to do work hourly. Cadwell said that she wasn't for sure how the billing works for these services, but would like to know how much it would cost before the maps are updated. Gerlach said that he will call and find out how much it would cost to have the maps updated.



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Gerlach made a motion to table the purchase of updated maps from JEO until we have pricing information. Wilken seconded the motion.

Aye-Piehl, Gerlach, Wilken, Starr, Mack Nay-None Motion tabled

### Discussion approve disapprove removal of tree at 1st and Ash Street

McClatchey showed the board a picture of the tree and where it sits next to the shutoff. He said that it really serves no purpose to have the village cut down this tree. If he has a leak, the tree will need to be cut down by the homeowner and then the village will shut the water off. McClatchey said that he heard that the citizen was made to cut down a tree prior on his property and then proceeded to plant three in the same spot. McClatchey said that he would like to leave the trees where they are. Starr mentioned an evergreen that is located in the right away that impedes the line of sight. Wilken suggested giving the citizen the option of removing his own tree. If it doesn't get done the village will do it for him.

McClatchey mentioned that the trees located at 7<sup>th</sup> and Broad will need to be moved. The owner of the property asked if they could wait until the next nice day. Wilken said that he had no problem letting the owner wait until spring since he had already removed the big trees as requested. Piehl said that she agreed with Wilken. Wilken suggested writing a letter to citizen that owns the evergreen tree.

Wilken made a motion to send a letter to Wrich at 1st and North Street to remove tree. Mack seconded the motion

Aye-Starr, Wilken, Gerlach, Piehl, Mack Nay-None Motion carried

# Discussion approve disapprove appointment of hearing officer

Wilken made a motion to appoint Brad McClatchey as hearing officer. Starr seconded the motion.

Aye-Mack, Piehl, Gerlach, Wilken, Starr Nay-None Motion carried

# **Ordinance**

### Discussion approve disapprove Ordinance 494 for part-time electrician Dickes Wage

Wilken made a motion to approve Ordinance 494 for part-time electrician Dickes wages. Mack seconded the motion.

Aye-Gerlach, Piehl, Mack, Starr, Wilken Nay-None Motion carried Wilken made a motion to dispense of the second and third readings and adopt Ordinance 494. Gerlach seconded the motion.

Aye-Piehl, Mack, Starr, Wilken, Gerlach Nay-None Motion carried

# Discussion approve disapprove Ordinance 495 to reduce the number of members from Planning & Zoning

Wilken made a motion to approve Ordinance 495. Mack seconded the motion.

Aye-Mack, Starr, Wilken, Gerlach, Piehl Nay-None Motion carried Wilken made a motion to dispense of the second and third readings and to adopt Ordinance 495. Gerlach seconded the motion.

Aye-Starr, Wilken, Gerlach, Piehl, Mack Nay-None Motion carried

# Discussion approve disapprove Ordinance 496 appointment of hearing officer

Wilken made a motion to table Ordinance 496. Gerlach seconded the motion.

Aye-Wilken, Gerlach, Piehl, Mack, Starr Nay-None Motion tabled

## Resolution

# Discussion approve disapprove Resolution 21-1 Appointment of NMPP Member's Council

Wilken made a motion to table Resolution 21-1. Piehl seconded the motion.

Aye-Gerlach, Piehl, Mack, Starr, Wilken Nay-None Motion tabled

### **Board Questions or Comments**

Wilken asked if there were questions regarding the audit. Piehl said she felt that overall, the audit was good. She said that she understands why we need to add more to the minutes. Wilken mentioned that the auditor recommended looking at secured pledges right before the end of the fiscal year.

# Adjournment

Wilken made a motion to adjourn at 7:54pm. Piehl seconded the motion.

Aye-Wilken, Gerlach, Piehl, Mack, Starr Nay-None Motion tabled