

Board of Trustees Meeting December 30th, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Chair Wilken called a Regular Meeting of the Greenwood Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, December 30th, 2024, at the E.L. McDonald Community Center located at 619 Main Street in Greenwood, Nebraska. Said meeting is open and the public is encouraged to attend. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to adjourn to Executive Session per State Statute 84-1410. Chair Wilken stated the open meetings act is posted in the meeting room for the public to view

Roll call was taken with the following members present: Grell, Johnson, Sobota and Wilken. Gerlach showed up at 7:05pm.

### Consent Agenda

#### Minutes

Approval of timecards and payroll detail report Financials

- Profit and Loss
- Balance Sheet

Sobota made a motion to approve the consent agenda including the minutes, timecards, payroll detail report, financials which include the profit and loss and balance sheet. Grell seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion arried 5-0.

Water Report- Grell stated the wastewater plan that he submitted to the state was not accepted. He stated the state rep contacted him and said he can not use the lagoon. The state said in order to use the lagoon you must recertify it and it will cost millions of dollars to do that. Grell said the best option right now is to be out of compliance. Grell stated he went and got the parts from the machine shop, and he has the one side up and working very temporarily. He stated he is not sure how long it will hold together but it is a temp fix. Johnson asked what the plan is if it stops working? Grell said he isn't sure. Grell said the biggest thing right now is getting those parts that were ordered last meeting. Wilken asked if we should order two sets instead of one. Grell said he highly suggested it. Wilken stated to add this to the next agenda.

#### Sheriff Report

Maintenance Report- Grell stated he met with all the board members about projects for next year besides Tanya and is going to get a time set with her. Grell said the tar machine is back and asked if there is a schedule? Grell said they will work on tree trimming weather permitting. Grell stated the ditch by the maintenance shop and coop needs fixed. Wilken stated the flags half staff for the next 30 days.



**Clerk Report-** Greve stated Ahlman has been in contact with the office about starting his subdivision again.

### Planning & Zoning

### Fire/Rescue Report

# Park and Rec

**Library-** Huetson stated they are coming up with a policy for charging fees for the 3D printer and a new policy for outside Ashland Greenwood district fees.

# Communication of Citizens- None.

# Old Business

Approve/ Disapprove 5<sup>th</sup> Street Culvert Project- Greve stated JEO responded to the RFP stating they are to busy to meet the deadline. Sobota stated to use a 36 inch culvert. Wilken asked if the 200 hrs was a guestimate? Grell stated he was not sure how much dirt is down at the sewer plant. Sobota asked how much is dirt running? Grell said roughly \$10 a yard. Wilken asked if a cleanout will be put in? Grell said he doesn't think so. Sobota made a motion to approve Greenlight to do the 5<sup>th</sup> Street culvert project and for it to not exceed \$38,000.00 and for dirt as needed. Wilken seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes- Gerlach, Wilken, Johnson and Sobota. Grell abstained. Motion carried 4-0-1.

### **New Business**

- Approve/ Disapprove Claims List A- Gerlach made a motion to approve Claims List A. Sobota seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 5-0. Approved Claims: Wages \$5,658.05, Ashland Disposal Service \$17.25, Bromm, Lindahl Freeman Caddy & Lausterer \$850.00 (Retainer), Cass County Sheriff's Office \$800.00 (Dues), Column Software PBC \$210.36 (Publications), Constellation New Energy Gas Division \$319.91 (Services), Danko \$10,137.00 (Supplies), Dutton- Lainson Company \$1,192.43 (Supplies), Husker Electric \$59.24 (Supplies), Jasmine Mach \$580.00 (Servies), JEO Consulting Group \$8,740.00 (Services), NAPA Auto Parts \$50.67 (Supplies), Power manager \$800.00 (Services). Total \$29,414.90.
- 2. Discussion possible action library budget review- Huetson stated the library board is requesting an increase of \$3,000.00. for this fiscal year so they are able to hire a new librarian. She stated they have two applicants that they have interviewed. She stated the better of the two has a masters degree and works with the public. Huetson stated the candidate is aware she will be researching and writing grants, community outreach, fundraising etc. Grell stated she was not okay with the increase because they have gone over the last few years. She would work 20 hrs a week and is requesting \$20.00. Johnson stated she would be willing to consider if they could present their budget plan, including their fundraiser schedule. Sobota made a motion to table this until Huetson provides an itemized spreadsheet for the increase and other avenues. Grell seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

#### Ordinance

- 1. Approve/ Disapprove Ordinance 553 Wages-
  - Wilken had the clerk read Ordinance No 553 by title; AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF GREENWOOD, CASS COUNTY, NEBRASKA, TO PROVIDE FOR THE WAGES AND SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS, APPOINTEES, ELECTED OFFICIALS AND



EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE OF GREENWOOD, NEBRASKA; TO PROVIDE DEFINITIONS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF ANY SECTION, CLAUSE, PROVISION OR PORTION FOUND UNCONSTITUTIONAL OR INVALID; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; TO PROVIDE THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE PUBLISHED EITHER IN PAMPHLET FORM OR BY POSTING; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL NOT BE MADE A PART OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF GREENWOOD, NEBRASKA. Wilken made the motion to approve Ordinance 553 for wages. Sobota seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes- Wilken, Sobota, Grell and Gerlach. Motion carried 4-1. Wilken made a motion to waive the second and third reading of Ordinance No 553. Grell seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes- Wilken, Sobota, Grell and Gerlach. Johnson Nay. Motion carried 4-1. Wilken made a motion to adopt Ordinance No 553. Grell seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes- Wilken, Sobota, Grell and Gerlach. Johnson Nay. Motion carried 4-1. Wilken made a motion to adopt Ordinance No 553. Grell seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes- Wilken, Sobota, Grell and Gerlach. Johnson Nay. Motion carried 4-1. Wilken made a motion to adopt Ordinance No 553. Grell seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes- Wilken, Sobota, Gerlach and Grell. Nay- Johnson. Motion carried 4-1.

**Board Comments**- Johnson thanked Greenlight for their hard work. Sobota stated thank you for Greenlight as well on all of the hard work and going above and beyond for the village. **Wilken adjourned the meeting at 7:43pm.** 

Respectfully submitted,

Jasmine Greve, it's Clerk/ Treasurer

Don Wilken, It's Chair