



Board of Trustees Meeting
January 29th, 2025
Meeting Minutes

Chair Wilken called a Regular Meeting of the Greenwood Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 29th, 2025, 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: Wilken, Sobota, Johnson, Gerlach and Grell.

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, the financials that include the profit and loss and balance sheet. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

Water Report

Sheriff Report

Maintenance Report

Clerk Report

Treasurer Report- Greve stated if the board would like to use the Greenwood Tif funds for the well-blending project we would have to go through the same process of the Greenlight Tif project. Greve stated there is the funds in the Debt account which was created to pay for a new well. Greve stated she will need to know which route the board would like to take.

Planning & Zoning- Greve stated she does not have the minutes from their last meeting.

Fire/Rescue Report- Sobota stated they have a new member pending Village board approval. Sobota stated there is one member still going through the EMT classes and training. Sobota stated he has the QR code from the emergency alert system. Sobota stated he sent it to Greve to put it on the website.

Park and Rec- Greve stated there was a list of items from their meeting minutes that need to be looked at over at the park. Greve stated the ADA chair is missing straps and a few holes where mulch needs placed.

Library- Huetson stated they approved the 3D printer rate. Huetson stated an additional board member is needed. Grell asked if Janet will still be working for the library. Huetson stated that Janet will no longer be on the library side.

Communication of Citizens- Joe Jackson stated the Ordinance for the Village states you are not allowed to drive the Atv's, Utv's after dark. Jackson asked why not? Greve mentioned she believes it is a state statue. Jackson asked if the Village could look into it for him. Michaela Valentin from OPPD came and introduced herself to the board. She stated she is a part of the government affairs team. She stated they will pop into meetings from time to time.

Old Business

1. Discussion possible action sewer plant-Wilken stated the generator was paid for by insurance minus a small portion that is the difference between the 50 kw and 35 kw and the deductible. Wilken stated insurance will not pay for the boring. Sobota asked if putting a 50 going to hurt anything? Sobota stated he wants to verify this, so we are not having to spend 2-3 thousand here and there to fix it. Gerlach stated he was down at the sewer plant with Alan when the salesman was out and talked to him. Gerlach stated since it's not diesel he is not concerned. Sobota asked if there is a service contract? Sobota asked about maintenance being done in house? Gerlach stated they do offer service contracts. Greve stated the price that was provided to the board from Alan Grell would put them around \$95,000 to fix the plant. Wilken stated that Grell was guessing on the cathodic protection. Greve stated she needed to know which route the board would like to take. Greve stated if they took out the bond, she needs to start having the paperwork drawn up. Greve stated the funds can be taken out of the cash reserves, but rates will still need to go up to help replenish the reserves. Greve stated she would like to know which route she should go with. Sobota made a motion to table the sewer plant until we can get numbers from the bank and bond agency. Grell seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

New Business

1. Approve/ Disapprove Claims List A- Wilken made a motion to approve Claims list A. Gerlach seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 5-0. Approved Claims: Wages 5,670.89, AG Spirit Squad Booster Club \$300.00 (Greenwood Days), Bromm, Lindahl, Freeman-Caddy & Lausterer \$156.00, Cass County Mutual Aid Association \$50.00 (Dues), Cass County Sheriff \$800.00 (Dues), Column Software PBC \$114.90 (publications), Constellation New Energy Gas Division \$954.91 (Services), Custom Machine & Design, Inc. \$1526.00 (Supplies), Dutton-Lainson \$90.51 (Supplies), Hydro Optimization & Automation Solutions \$250.00 (Services), Jasmine Mach \$580.00 (Services), JCI Industries, Inc. \$1440.87 (Supplies), JEO Consulting Group \$5328.75 (Professional Services), Lincoln Winwater Works \$20,720.00 (Supplies), Menards \$2,823.79 (Supplies), Midwest Laboratories \$112.28 (Routine Testing), Murphy Tractor & Equipment Co. \$118.88 (Supplies), NAPA Auto Parts \$91.96 (supplies), Nebraska Generator Service LLC \$38,725.00 (sewer generator), Nebraska Medicine \$511.09 (Dues), OPPD \$32,257.65 (Services), Page my cell \$550.00 (Services), Pinnacle Bank \$966.23 (Supplies), S&L Hardware \$32.44 (Supplies), Total Tool \$182.76 (Supplies), USA Roller Chain & Sprocket \$20,217.01 (Supplies), Windstream \$2252.17 (Services). Total \$136,824.09.

2. Approve/ Disapprove Generator for sewer plant- Wilken made a motion to approve for Sobota to get ahold of NE Generator to verify the 50 kw will work at the sewer plant and to ask about the warranty. If Nebraska Generator says it is okay Wilken approves \$38,725 for the KW generator. Gerlach seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.
3. Approve/ Disapprove New Librarian- Huetson presented Teresa Tvrdy's resume to the board. Gerlach stated the minutes spell her name incorrectly. Sobota asked if they will need to modify the library budget for her salary? Huetson stated they do not. Gerlach asked if she has any experience with grant writing. Huetson stated she does not. Sobota made a motion to approve Teresa Tvrdy as the new librarian. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.
4. Approve/ Disapprove James Tracy to Fire and Rescue- Sobota stated James is the son of Scott and Sheila Tracy. Sobota stated he works during the day in town. Sobota stated he is not interested in the rescue side of things. Greve stated the background check came back good. Johnson made a motion to approve James Tracy for the Fire and Rescue department. Grell seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.
5. Approve/ Disapprove check to Ashland Greenwood Spirit Club Booster- Grell made a motion to approve the \$300.00 to the Ashland Greenwood Spirit Club Boosters for their participation for Greenwood Days. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.
6. Approve/ Disapprove JEO agreement for Services 2025- Wilken stated this is just the general agreement they have us sign since we appointed them as our engineer. Gerlach made a motion to approve the JEO agreement for services for 2025. Sobota seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.
7. Resignation of Kristen VanLaningham from Park and Rec- Sobota made a motion to approve the resignation of Kristen VanLaningham from the park and rec board. Grell seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.
8. Approve/ Disapprove Danielle Khalil to Park and Rec Committee- Grell made a motion to approve Danielle Khalil to the Park and Rec committee. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.
9. Resignation of Stan Stoki from Planning Commission- Sobota made a motion to approve the resignation for Stan Stoki from the planning commission. Grell seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.
10. Discussion possible action Tantalus project- Gerlach stated back in November of 2023 we only approved the \$10,000 for the onboarding of the project, the \$5 meter charge and the additional monthly \$1 meter fee. Gerlach stated we need to approve the rest for the project. Wilken asked who has approved for the additional equipment to be delivered. Wilken stated the last bill that came in was for over \$5,000.00. Gerlach stated that Dutton is waiting for our IT department to get the established VPN. Gerlach stated Chad with our IT has tried numerous times and Gerlach has tried a few times to get ahold of Mahbub with Tantalus and have had no luck getting a response. Johnson asked with us switching to Unite will that cause an issue. Gerlach stated that it will certainly change things. Gerlach stated that the price difference is why he suggested a \$1-\$3 service charge increase to all the customers to help recoup some of the cost. Wilken stated we currently have 30 meters that are down and not able to be read. Gerlach stated the equipment that is coming in has increased in price. Wilken stated we should get answers from Tantalus. Wilken asked if Dutton is going to be able to resolve this. Sobota stated maybe they need to get the Village attorney involved if they are unable to get this up and working. Gerlach stated he



agrees. Sobota made a motion to table the ordering and paying of the equipment until they are able to get an explanation and timeline from Dutton. Gerlach seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

Board Comments- Gerlach asked if there was wildfire training? Sobota stated there is training the last week in February in Omaha. Sobota stated he gave Greve the code for the Code Red to be put on the Village website. Sobota stated the Code Red emergency alert system was purchased by the county and they are letting us use it as well. Sobota stated this service will allow us to alert the town of weather, information etc. It has the option of text, call or email. Sobota stated you must register for it the Village can not sign you up.

Wilken adjourned the meeting at 7:53pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jasmine Greve, It's Clerk

Don Wilken, It's Chair