



**Board of Trustees Meeting
February 12th, 2025
Meeting Minutes**

Chari Wilken called a Regular Meeting of the Greenwood Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 12th, 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 Statue 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, approval of timecards and payroll detail report, the financials including the profit and loss and balance sheet.

Grell seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

Water Report

Sheriff Report- January Cass County patrolled just over 60 hours of service. One citation and three warnings.

Maintenance Report

Clerk Report

Treasurer Report

Planning & Zoning

Fire/Rescue Report- Sobota had a regular monthly meeting with nothing new to report.

Park and Rec- Grell stated she thinks their next meeting is next Tuesday since Monday is a holiday.

Library- Grell stated she has not seen their annual report. She stated it was due Monday, but Greve has not seen it. Grell sent the statute back to the library board back in July, so she is not sure where it is at.

Communication of Citizens- Stan Stoki spoke to the board about an incident that happened at the office on December 23rd. He apologized for his inappropriate behavior. He also apologized to the board members for the statements he made.

Old Business

1. Discussion possible action sewer plant- Wilken stated the new generator was delivered last week. Sobota stated he discussed the concrete pad with Alan and decided to wait till springtime with how cold it is. Sobota stated they did end up going with the 50KV and the company confirmed it would work well with the load. Gerlach asked if the transfer switch showed up as well? Sobota stated he does not believe so.
2. Discussion possible action Cass County Tourism Grant remaining funds- Wilken stated they have about \$7,684.65 remaining for the grant. Wilken stated they were supposed to do the field last year but did not have time. Sobota stated that would take up the remaining of the grant.

New Business

1. Approve/ Disapprove Claims List A- Gerlach made a motion to approve Claims List A. Sobota seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes- Gerlach, Johnson, Wilken and Sobota. Grell abstained. Motion carried 4-0-1. Approved claims: Wages \$6,401.78, Ashland Disposal Service \$144.94 (Services), Ashland Greenwood Public School \$350.00 (Liquor Fees), Black Hills Energy \$373.31 (Services), Brainard Heating and Air Conditioning \$125.00 (Services), Bromm, Lindahl, Freeman-Caddy \$17.50 (Services), Cass County Sheriff \$1,600.00 (Services), Column Software PBC \$254.26 (Publications), Constellation New Energy Gas \$1,394.10 (Natural Gas), EMS Connect \$44.00 (Dues), Frontier Coop \$351.17 (Fuel), Green Light Construction & Services \$7,466.30 (Contract Laborer), Husker Electric \$33.18 (Supplies), James Stewart \$40.14 (Supplies), Matheson Tri-Cas Inc \$8.61 (Supplies), Mechanic's Inc. \$342.12 (Supplies), Midwest Laboratories Inc \$169.51 (Routine Testing), Nebraska Rural Water Association \$300.00 (Dues), One Call Concepts \$4.92 (Locates), OPPD \$38,036.53 (Services), Pinnacle Bank \$483.19 (Supplies), S&L Hardware \$67.64 (Supplies), US Bank \$149.44 (Printer Services). Total \$68,157.64
2. Discussion possible action sewer rate increase- Wilken stated the accountant will be here at the next meeting. Wilken stated he has already stated we needed to raise the rates. Grell asked about the bond versus raise increase. Sobota made a motion to table any actions with the sewer increase till next meeting. Grell seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.
3. Discussion possible action Tantalus project- Wilken stated Greve spoke to Dutton Lainsen last week and they will attend the next meeting that way they can explain everything, and we don't have to go back and forth. Gerlach stated there is two items in there that we don't need that are roughly \$4,000.00 that he wants to get cleared up at the next meeting. Wilken made a motion to table the tantalus project until next meeting. Gerlach seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.
4. Approve/ Disapprove repair of Sander motor- Wilken stated it was already fixed so it is no longer needed. Sobota stated it just needed a new carburetor on it. Sobota stated they took it to Scholz in Yutan on Thursday. Sobota made a motion to approve the motor on the sander not to exceed \$1,000. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.
5. Discussion possible action Milem employment- Wilken stated the library is no longer using her and fills in for Jasmine when needed. Grell stated she is on board with that but asked if we needed to clear anything with the library board? Grell stated they were insisting that she was only on their payroll only because of financing. Grell stated that it was their big push or otherwise they wouldn't get their funding. Grell stated that she had offered to keep her under the general budget. Grell made a motion to table Janet's employment until the next meeting. Gerlach seconded the motion. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.

Ordinance

1. Approve/ Disapprove Ordinance 554 for street vacation of West and North Depot Streets Adjacent to Lot 77 Original Town, and South of the South right of way line- Johnson asked what it means by vacating that property? Wilken stated whoever is next to the property gets half. Gerlach stated he is in agreement with that but all the maps are different. Wilken stated there is nothing that was filed at the county. Gerlach asked if half was going to the railroad? Johnson asked if they could connect it with the park property? Wilken asked if we needed to get clarification. Gerlach stated that if the railroad is gaining additional land, we need to notify them. Gerlach stated the physical park was never registered at the county. Gerlach asked if we are stopping at the Southwestern most corner of that lot or if we are going all the way over? Gerlach stated he is in favor of vacating the street but would love to see the park stay. Gerlach stated we can vacate everything up to that point. Gerlach stated we don't have to give up the entire right of way. Gerlach stated the minimum requirement is 75 feet from the closest track. Johnson stated she would hate to give up a park area. Gerlach stated if anything we should be trying to get more green space. Gerlach asked if we vacate it from property point to property point on 5th Street. Wilken made a motion to table the Ordinance 554 for clarification on if it goes to the railroad or not. Sobota seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Ayes- Wilken, Sobota, Johnson and Gerlach. Grell abstained. Motion carried 4-0-1.

Board Comments- Grell stated thank you to Jimmy, Alan and John Walsh that drove all the way from Roca to help clear the streets. Johnson thanked Greenlight as well for helping along with everyone else. Sobota asked who all got on the Code Red?

Wilken adjourned the meeting at 7:34pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jasmine Greve, It's Clerk

Don Wilken, It's Chair