



Board of Trustees Meeting

August 26, 2026

Meeting Minutes

Chair Wilken called a regular Meeting of the Greenwood Board of Trustees at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 26, 2026, 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. 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, Grell, Gerlach

Consent Agenda

Minutes

Approval of timecards and payroll detail report

Financials

- Profit and Loss
- Balance Sheet

Wilken made a motion to approve the Minutes, Approval of timecards and payroll detail report, Financials including Profit and Loss and Balance Sheet. Gerlach seconded the motion. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Water Report

Sheriff Report

Maintenance Report

Clerk's Report

Clerk is working through the Power Manager issue and looking for a resolution by Friday. Has not received much support from Chad or Power Manager. Johnson asked if the computer was being backed up, and the Clerk said at the time Chad thought it was being backed up somewhere, but he didn't set that up, the previous IT did. Chad contacted the previous IT and retrieved the June file, but it was corrupt. Clerk said Chad has set it to back up on the Windows 11 computer. Wilken asked the IT committee to reach out to see if another source could help with a resolution. Clerk said Chad has the computer in his possession.

Planning & Zoning

Fire/Rescue Report.

Park and Rec

Rockwell stated things are going well and they are working on 2027 Greenwood Fun Day. Got great feedback from the vendors and they are working on the agreements for the ball field.

Library

Tvrdy stated the internet dropped today for a few minutes and has previously.

Communication of Citizens- Consider requests from individuals present. Each speaker will be allowed two minutes, and no action will be taken on these topics until the next Board Meeting. The Village Board will review the matters and action as they deem appropriate. Notice: There is to be no comments or



disruption to the meeting in progress. You will be asked to leave if the above is not adhered to. We ask for your cooperation and courtesy. Thank You

Old Business

New Business

1. Approve/Disapprove Claims List A.
ADS \$766.18(garbage), BoundTree \$176.34(Supplies), Column Software \$154.30(Publishing), EMS \$44(EMS Billing), NE Public Health \$411(Op Exp), SEI \$254.70(Comp Support).
Gerlach made a motion to approve Claims List A. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.
2. Discussion/Possible action to install a stop sign at 5th St and Ash St going eastbound.
Sobota said there is a stop sign on the west side and questioned the westbound sign. Sobota suggested a traffic study. Grell said she believed it was JEO who suggested the westbound sign. Sobota made a motion to table installing a sign eastbound at 5th and Ash St until we look into the cost of traffic study for 5th & Ash and if we find one for less than \$500 then do the study. Grell asked how long the traffic study would be. Johnson asked if we should reach out to JEO. Sobota agreed. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call was taken. All Ayes. Motion tabled.
3. Discussion/Possible action for electrical connection at 320 Grand St.
Othling said he would like to get the two meters to one meter and get rid of the two poles in the yard. Gerlach said he thought we talked about this last fall. Othling would like it to be underground. The poles do not have guide wires and he disconnected the light. Gerlach said the customer is responsible for flipping the meter socket and the village will put the service into that connection. If we are boring will incur the boring cost from the Village. Othling said he already has conduit ran out to his fence by about 15 feet back by his garage and trenching would be easier. Othling said the state has already approved. Gerlach said its standard install and new service the cost of the cable anything over 100 feet you will be responsible. Gerlach said there is a pedestal across the street. Othling said Alan Grell was pulling cable at 8pm Monday night. Wilken said he thought if you want to go underground if the Village doesn't do it then it's the customer's cost. Gerlach said Othling will incur the standard flat rate plus a connection fee and application fee. Wilken made a motion to approve the electrical connection at 320 Grand St. with the homeowner completing the paperwork. Gerlach seconded the motion. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.
4. Discussion/Possible action request of utility late fee of \$29.95 waived. Wilken questioned Othling on how long he lived there. Othling said a little over a year and a half. He stated the in the last year he had more threats to disconnect his electric than he ever has. He said on two occasions he has not received his bill until the 5th of the month and if he doesn't pay by the 15th then he will incur a late fee. Wilken

said the bills are sent the same time each month and the bill is due the 15th of each month, and we can not help if the mail doesn't reach you on time. Grell stated he can contact the office for the amount due. Clerk stated that he just signed up for the bill to come by email. Wilken stated we can't speak for OPPD, only Greenwood NE. Wilken stated there are several options on how to make a payment. Gerlach stated he personally has had mail delayed and has created late charges, and we cannot change the process. Johnson stated the precedence was set the last time this occurred and the utility bills are due on the 15th, all are aware and have several ways to receive and pay the bills. Johnson made a motion to deny the request for the utility late fee \$29.95 to be waived. Grell seconded the motion. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion denied.

5. Approve/Disapprove to adopt Maureen's changes to the AYBA Field Rental Agreement & Policies. Rockwell said they asked Maureen about the maintenance fees, and she said that would take us out of the Recreation Act. The Recreation Act alone wouldn't be enough to cover us even if we stayed in stayed under the Act and did not charge a fee, we would still need the additional insurance. Wilken asked if we were sure our insurance would cover? Rockwell said in previous conversations the insurance carrier said we have adequate coverage. Wilken questioned if any Board Member has spoken with the insurance because he didn't feel the insurance carrier would provide that information to a non-Board Member. Grell asked the clerk to reach out to the insurance carrier to verify coverage. Wilken questioned the Recreation Act coverage. Rockwell said it covers the recreation player only. Johnson asked if we could separate the park from the ball field and Grell said at one time this was discussed and she said she believed it's all as one. Grell made a motion to table the AYBA Field Rental Agreement & Policies. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion tabled.
6. Approve/Disapprove to adopt Maureen's changes to the Field Rental Agreement & Policies. Grell made a motion to table changes to the Field Rental Agreement & Policies. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion tabled.
7. Discussion/Possible action ball field fees.
Grell made a motion to table action on the ball field fees. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion tabled.
8. Approve/Disapprove Library to use the Fire Hall October 17th for the Trunk or Treat 3pm to 8pm. Car set up 4-4:30pm and Trunk or Treat to begin at 4:30pm. Spaghetti dinner fundraiser at the Fire Hall 5-7pm. Johnson made a motion to approve the Fire Hall October 17th for the Trunk or Treat 3pm to 8pm. Gerlach seconded the motion. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.
9. Approve/Disapprove Tvrdy to attend the annual NLA Conference October 14-16th request 20 payroll hours (\$460) for Tvrdy while at conference and 15 payroll hours (\$270) for Janet Milem to cover the library. Wilken made a motion to table Tvrdy to attend the annual NLA Conference October 14-16th, request 20 payroll hours (\$460) for Tvrdy while at conference and 15 payroll hours (\$270) for Janet Milem to cover the library until the library minutes are received. Grell seconded the motion. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion tabled.
10. Approve/Disapprove closure of Broad St from Main St to 3rd for Trunk or Treat October 17th 3-8m. Sobota made a motion to approved closure of Broad St from

Main St to 3rd for the Trunk or Treat October 17th 3-8 pm. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.

11. Approve/Disapprove reclassing garbage charges for the library/village \$193.96.
Wilken said the Village has not charged the library for IT, gas, electric, etc. Hueston asked if the other departments are charged. Hueston questioned how the bill was split. Wilken said he will be requesting funds back for the other services that were not split. Hueston asked if that would be by square footage, Wilken said yes. Wilken said once things were brought to attention there are many things that were not being charged for, Grell mentioned they use the community center often and are not being charged and they use it more than anyone else. Grell made a motion to deny the request for reclassing the garbage charges library/village \$193.96. Sobota commended the library for reviewing the budget. Wilken seconded the motion. Roll call taken. Wilken, Sobota, Grell and Gerlach Ayes. Johnson no. Motion carried.
12. Discussion/Possible action to charge a fee for utilizing the community center effective September 1. Grell said she has been contacted for use of the community center, but it always seems the library is using it, and the library doesn't utilize their own space. Johnson asked if there is a fee charged for using the kitchen. Wilken said they can't use the kitchen because the library is using the island for their storage. Grell said if the library would continue using the community center for additional space, then a less expensive fee needs to be charged, or hold their events in the library. Johnson questioned the reclass of garbage, then why charge for the community center space. Sobota questioned Tvrdy on how much the library uses the community center per week, and she said other than the summer once a month for craft and book club and the summer reading is once a week. Grell mentioned the coffee group uses the space also. Wilken asked if the coffee group is part of the library and Tvrdy said no. Sobota said there is a set fee for public. Gerlach said he would like to research further. Grell made a motion to table. Grell seconded the motion. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion tabled.
13. Discussion/Possible action to allocate services/fees to the library.
Gerlach made a motion to table allocation of services/fees to the library. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion tabled.
14. Approve/Disapprove Installment Utility Plan for account 1-257.
Wilken made a motion to approve the Installment Utility Plan for account 1-257. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Resolutions

1. Approve/Disapprove Resolution 26-03 Establishing a Form for Written Request for Public Records.

Wilken made a motion to approve Resolution 26-03 Establishing a Form for Written Request for Public Records. Gerlach seconded the motion. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Ordinance



Board Comments

Grell thanked the clerk for all the work working through the computer issues.

Gerlach thanked Alan Grell for working late nights.

Johnson thanked everyone for their work on the Board.

Wilken thanked the clerk for all the work on the utilities.

Adjournment

7:52pm

It's Clerk

It's Chair

The Agenda is readily available for inspection at the Village Clerk's Office located at 619 Main Street, Greenwood, Nebraska, during normal business hours.