Greenwood Nebraska

Board of Trustees Meeting
October 14, 2026
Meeting Minutes

Chair Wilken called a regular Meeting of the Greenwood Board of Trustees at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 14, 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 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. Sobota seconded the motion. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Water Report

Sheriff Report

Maintenance Report

Wilken stated the park bathrooms will be closed for winterization October 15th. Alan Grell said AWS is waiting on the state because they must do a preliminary site approval. The State does not have the personnel to complete the preliminary site approval, and AWS was told they don't have a time frame to have it completed. Once the approval is given, if approved, Bryce with AWS will come and speak regarding the process. Alan Grell said 10 years out the town should be treating the water. The nitrates will be lower, but the regulations will increase. He said that he doesn't think there is any way around not treating and the treating will be very expensive. Short term solution is a well with a good casing. Alan Grell said he called the State and Mike S at JEO regarding the State Revolving Loan Fund and discussed the funding. The funding is based on the median household income which they did not know, but Alan Grell said it was just under $91K for Greenwood. We are above the state, Lincoln/Omaha and County average. The engineer said the "unofficial" max we may get is 20%. Alan Grell said with that information the Village should plan on paying the majority ourselves. Other than that everything is working as it should. August/September was a heavy month and cut back in October. Alan Grell asked regarding Stewart retiring and would like to know how/if they want that handled? Hiring, contract, service wanted, full time, part time? Alan Grell said the disadvantage would be less access for the clerk for maintenance. Wilken said he hasn't seen anything in writing about him retiring. Wilken and Grell said to give some numbers so they can review. Alan Grell said it would be tier pricing. Alan Grell said the electrical and heater is being worked on now at the sewer plant building and should be done shortly. Alan Grell said no

new projects but asked about the patching work, done now or what? Gerlach said over on 6th St patching should wait because of the settling happening. Alan Grell said that concerns him because of snow plowing. Wilken asked about the water main break dirt, Alan Grell said he brought other dirt in. Wilken suggested to do it all, Johnson agreed. Alan Grell said we have enough supplies for possibly two snow events, but in the past 2 years we didn't use it all. Alan Grell asked about the museum winterization. Grell suggested to talk to Jarid Massa or Kim Thomason.

Clerk's Report

Treasurer's Report

Clerk suggested reviewing the calendar for the November meeting because of audit. Board will follow up at the next meeting.

Planning & Zoning

Fire/Rescue Report.

Park and Rec

Library

Hueston reminded, the Trunk or Treat that will be held October 17th, 4:30-6pm. Spaghetti feed till 7. There will be to-go options. Located at the Fire Station. Free will donation.

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

1. Discussion/Possible action nuisance complaint 400 Main St.
   Bo asked for additional time, Sobota said 2-3 years has already been given. Bo asked about the containers and suggested he may sell the property.
   Sobota made a motion of start legal proceeding with a deadline of November 1st to have the property cleaned up. Grell seconded the motion. Roll call taken. Wilken, Sobota, Grell, Gerlach Ayes. Johnson abstained. Motion carried.

New Business

1. Approve/Disapprove Claims List A.
   ABC Termite $101.18(Pest Control), AMGL $4360(Prof Fee), BCS Cleaning $800(Janitorial), Black Hills Energy $273.94(Natural Gas), BoundTree Medical $388.46(Supplies), Cass County Sheriff $800(Law Enforcement), Column Software $449.09(Publishing), Constellation New Energy Gas $14.63(Natural Gas), EMS $44(EMS Billing), Frontier Coop $1125.80(Fuel), Lincoln Winwater $848.38, Mechanic's $29.89 (Repair), Menards $447.49(Op Exp), Midwest Lab $370.55(Water/wastewater), NAPA $155.80(Repair), NE Library Comm $525(Dues), NE Public Health $123(Op Exp), NE Rural Water $300(Dues), One Call $9.84(Op Exp), OPPD $34,934.21(Electric), Pinnacle Bank $2,269.90(Supplies), S & L $156.07(Supplies), Segra $698.35(Telephone), US Bank$140.87(Printing), Village of

Greenwood $250(Deposit), Village of Greenwood Utilities $242.05(Electric), Windstream $15.47(Telephone), Yost $1020(Computer support).
Grell made a motion to approve Claims List A. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.

2. Approve/Disapprove Claims List B.
Green Light Construction $18,877.50(Contract Labor), GreenLight Rolloffs $164.45(Garbage).
Wilken made a motion to approve Claims List A. Sobota seconded the motion. Roll call taken. Wilken, Sobota, Johnson, Gerlach Ayes. Grell abstained. Motion carried.
3. Discussion/Possible action 64 Broad & 112 Broad culvert drainage.
Sobota will get a couple bids on the culvert issue and bring it back to the board for review. Wilken made a motion to table the 64 Broad and 112 Broad culvert drainage until bids are received. Grell seconded. Roll call taken all Ayes. Motion tabled.
4. Discussion/Possible action repair of the handicap ramp at the office.
Alan Grell asked if they should replace all/leave alone? Alan also said it should be sealed. Alan Grell asked for a Board member to walk and show him exactly what they want replaced, Sobota agreed. Sobota made a motion to repair the handicap ramp at the office to comply with the ADA standards and seal. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.
5. Approve/Disapprove designation of depository banks FY2027:
Pinnacle
Horizon
Farmers and Merchant
First Interstate
Gerlach made a motion to approve the banks as listed. Johnson seconded. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.
6. Approve/Disapprove Waiving of peddler's fee for Greenwood Fun Day June 12, 2027.
Sobota made a motion to approve waiving of peddler's fee for Greenwood Fun Day June 12,2027. Johnson seconded. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.
7. Approve/Disapprove Street closures for Greenwood Fun Day June 12, 2027.
Grell made a motion to approve street closures as presented for Greenwood Fun Day June 12, 2027. Johnson seconded. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.
8. Approve/Disapprove Hamilton Equipment Bobcat Annual Lease $8450.00.
Grell made a motion to approve Hamilton Equipment Bobcat Annual Lease $8450.00. Sobota seconded the motion. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.
9. Discussion/Possible action 2026-2027 Library additional utility expense funding.
Johnson questioned Wilken's comments from the last meeting, to begin with the next fiscal year. Johnson said she would like a motion to take the extra expenses that wasn't in the library budget and place those back into the general fund, this year only. Wilken said the new fiscal year started October 1st. Grell said this has already been addressed. Grell said it's ridiculous that they are already asking for more funds and the year just started, the library has more resources than anyone to raise funds-budget, library board, Friends of the Library. Johnson understood, but last year we

told them if they need additional funding, come back to the board. Grell said she understood, but asking 650 taxpayers and only 50 or less actually use the library to pay, she doesn't think that is fair. Johnson said that would be a different discussion. Grell said she has had several people contact her this week. Wilken asked if Johnson knew what the extra cost would be. Grell said she has had several citizens complain this last week about the additional funds for a department that continuously goes over budget year after year and since we must represent the taxpayers that is not fair to them. Johnson said she had not heard those complaints. Grell made a motion to deny the 2026-2027 Library additional utility expense funding. Sobota asked if they could come up with a number and split it? Sobota said he would like to table and come back with a number. Wilken said we do have the numbers except for the electric. Wilken seconded the motion. Wilken said they can always come back and ask for more funds, or not buy more stuff like the $500 table from Yoders. Huetson said she wasn't going to respond, but mentioned the dumpster they were charged for last year. Roll call was taken. Wilken, Grell Aye. Sobota, Johnson, Gerlach Nay. Motion failed. Wilken asked Johnson what her plan was. Johnson said we could table and come together with other ideas. Grell said we should encourage them to come up with funds, Johnson said they are trying. Johnson made a motion to table the 2026-2027 Library additional utility expense funding. Roll call taken. Sobota, Johnson, Gerlach Aye. Wilken, Grell nay. Motion tabled.

10. Discussion possible action allowing animals in the Village of Greenwood public buildings.
    Grell said we talked about it a couple years ago. Wilken said there was someone with a snake. Gerlach said he can't find anything that says they cannot, it's up to the local government. Sobota suggested signage. Gerlach suggested contacting Cornhuskers for signage. Alan Grell said if law enforcement gets involved they look at the signage. Sobota made a motion to get a sign/sticker that has the regulatory information not to exceed $150. Johnson seconded. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.
11. Discussion possible action compensation for employee staff.
    Wilken made a motion for all Board members to go into exec session for employee reviews. Grell seconded. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion carried. Entered into Exec Session 7:41. Wilken stated out of Exec Session at 7:46. Wilken made a motion for compensation, merit increases for employees. Darlene Snell $2, Janet Milem $2, Jimmy Stewart $.84. Grell seconded. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Resolutions

Ordinance

1. Approve/Disapprove Ordinance 559 Village Wages and Salaries
   Chair asked Clerk to read by title only. Wilken made a motion to introduce Ordinance 559. Johnson seconded. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion carried. Wilken made a

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motion to waive the 2nd and 3rd reading. Johnson seconded. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Motion carried. Wilken made a motion to adopt Ordinance 559. Johnson seconded. Roll call taken. All Ayes. Ordinance approved.

Board Comments

Sobota thanked the Clerk for work regarding Power Manager.

Adjournment

7:50pm

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