

MEETING MINUTES  
VILLAGE OF HEMINGFORD BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Regular Meeting  
February 18, 2020 6:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Opening prayer by Lori Dannar

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Thomas, Planansky, Wacker, Novotny, and Annen

Public Open Meeting Act poster location was pointed out on the front panel of Chamber Council

**Consent Calendar** items included the minutes of the January 21, 2020 regular meeting. Claims against the Village of \$44642.89, Claims against the Utilities of \$111817.34, Claims against the Hemingford Community Care Center of \$150366.80. January 2020 Village Financial Statements and bank reconciliation reports. January 2020 Library Report.

**Motion by** Novotny, second by Planansky to approve the consent calendar as read.

**Voting Aye:** Thomas, Planansky, Wacker, Novotny and Annen.

**Discussion and possible action:** Approval of payment to MCT Trucking for snow removal on 1/4/20 and 1/5/20 in the amount of \$1100.00.

**Motion by** Wacker, Second by Planansky to approve payment to MCT Trucking for snow removal on 1/4/20 and 1/5/20 in the amount of \$1100.00

**Voting Aye:** Planansky, Wacker, Novotny and Annen.

**Abstaining:** Thomas.

**Discussion and possible action:** Hemingford Public Library Annual Survey is complete. Marly told the board that the library responses contribute to a national file of public library data that will be available to the library research community, state, and federal policy makers, private grant officers and other interested users. All public libraries in Nebraska are required to submit statistical data about the library services on an annual basis. Data reported includes name, address, phone number, website, what regional library system, population of service area, hours of service, Finances including revenue and expenses, children's programs, number of borrowers, along with several other items. The survey is completed and submitted to the State of Nebraska by Librarian Marly Pehoviack.

**Discussion and possible action:** Request by Choices Treatment Center, Inc and Creating Family Choices, Inc. to proclaim March 2020 as Problem Gambling Awareness Month.

**Motion by:** Planansky, Second by Thomas to Proclaiming March 2020 as Problem Gambling Awareness Month.

**Voting Aye:** Thomas, Planansky, Wacker, Novotny and Annen.

**Discussion and possible action:** Trustee Thomas spoke to the board about the possibility of a craft vendor fair on June 27, 2020 from 10 am to 5pm and closing the 700 block of Box Butte so that it may be held downtown. Other board members thought this would be a good idea and as Thomas to move forward with the planning and bring details to the board as they are available and an official closing of the street will be made at a later time.

**Discussion and possible action:** Resolution # 2020-01, A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF HEMINGFORD, NEBRASKA ESTABLISHING SUPPORT AND DEFENSE OF THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, EFFECTIVE AS OF THE DATE OF APPROVAL. Pending Red Flag Laws have prompted a Second Amendment Sanctuary Resolution brought before the board by Chairman John Annen. The resolution discusses the right to bear arms and says the board will stand and defend the right and liberties of all village citizens and support any decisions by the Police Chief to defend the Constitutions of the United States and Nebraska.

**Motion by** Wacker, Second by Thomas to approve Resolution #2020-01

**Voting Aye:** Thomas, Planansky, Wacker, Novotny and Annen.

Discussion and possible action: Third reading of Ordinance #810

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF HEMINGFORD, BOX BUTTE COUNTY, NEBRASKA, TO ESTABLISH A NO PARKING ZONE ON CUSTER STREET, BETWEEN THE INTERSECTIONS OF SHOSHONE AVENUE AND HIGHWAY 2; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND REPEALING ANY EXISTING ORDINANCES OR OTHER PROVISIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND DIRECTING THE PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE

**Motion by** Novotny, Second by Planansky to pass and publish Ordinance #810

**Voting Aye:** Thomas, Planansky, Wacker, Novotny and Annen.

**Administrators Report:** BRAN40 plans are moving forward, the entertainment committee is talking about a street dance to draw people downtown on Friday June 5<sup>th</sup> and would like to have the 700 block of Box Butte closed for the event and the bars participate by getting SDL's if they choose, but plans are not final and will depend on the ability to secure a band for the night. They are also planning several other activities for the weekend to entertain our guests, like cornhole tournament, a taste of Hemingford tour, Sunrise service on Sunday and escort out of town by the Legion Riders. The Welcome committee is asking the Legion if, weather permitting, we could have the avenue of Flags up on Saturday. Arbor day plans continue with GenPro, and are including the two Hemingford Kindergarten classes to help plant trees at the fairgrounds, and also plant a time capsule with the class tree to be opened during the spring of their senior year,

**Utilities Department Report:** The village office and board room remodel is complete, the new Skid Steer should be in this week or first of next week, the Cargill building behind Adamson Automotive and Table Top Meats has been cleaned up and new lighting put in so Christmas decorations are now hung and store so we hopefully have less breakage, there is room to put more equipment inside. There were lots of items that were useless that was hauled to the landfill. Well efficiency testing was completed by Sargent and results are back, all looks good but some of our meters are a little bit off compared to their test equipment, no real concerns. Overall well 4 efficiency is 60.4 % which is a little low but acceptable for a turbine motor. One well of our wells the water level came up 12 feet.

**Hemingford Police Department Report:** Chief Bryner informed the board of an opportunity for a position to be offered to Hemingford, Ryan Dannar has been offered this position to work with the WING task force. Ryan consistently has 10 to 15 hours a pay period that could be devoted to the WING task force without running into overtime. It is acceptable to allow the public to know that we now have a WING agent in town giving residents the comfort in knowing that there is a local contact to pass information to.

Hemingford Community Care Center Report: Census is 11 on Assisted Living, and 24 Nursing Home, there was one state reportable incident, the state survey was completed there were 11 tags all non-direct resident care issues, for example, one was there was chicken in the freezer that was not dated. Cathy Snyder from Gordon is currently acting Administrator until Lori attains her Administrators Certification, all the class room education has been completed and is now just the practical training hours and the testing. Cathy will be in the facility 8 hours per week. Hopefully Cathy will be able to become Lori's preceptor to finish out the training/mentoring program. 7 residents went to the Senior Senior Prom on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February, looking to update transport vehicles, continued staffing needs include LPN's Med Aides, and dietary aids. February 29 will be the facility 30 years of Caring Open House with a Coffee Bar from 9am to 11am.

**Motion** to adjourn by Wacker, second by Planansky at 6:47pm

**Voting Aye:** Thomas, Planansky, Wacker, Novotny and Annen.

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John Annen, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Barb Straub, Village Clerk