

Town Hall MEETING MINUTES

VILLAGE OF HEMINGFORD BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Special Meeting

January 11, 2022-6:00pm

700 Box Butte Ave. Hemingford, NE. 69348

Zoom Virtual Meeting information

Meeting ID 836 6116 6553 **Passcode** 557617

Pledge of Allegiance

Opening prayer by -Jake Frost

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

Present: Wacker, Hunter, Frost, Annen.

Zoom: Novotny* Note: Novotny appeared virtually by Zoom out of matter of personal convenience, not pursuant to an emergency declaration as anticipated by Neb.Rev.Stat.81-1411(7)(a), and therefore, Novotny abstained from voting throughout the meeting.

Public Open Meeting Act poster location was pointed out on the north wall of Council Chambers located at the Village office.

Hemingford Residents in attendance: Marla Wade, Carol Wacker, Nancy Swanson, Shad Bryner, Jim Keegan, Lori Dannar

Hemingford Residents in attendance via zoom: Deb Planansky, Ken Bryner, Dusty Bryner, Dorthey and Tom Rowe.

Discussion of Legislative Bill 51: LB 51 was discussed at length. What the effects of LB 51 are having on the Village of Hemingford and possible solutions. Currently Hemingford has only one officer, who is out on medical leave at the time, there are two Sheriffs Deputies that have picked up a few shifts during this time. Hemingford's Board of Trustees is seeking solutions to the staffing shortage and is open to all suggestions. The Board has considered contracting with Box Butte County Sheriffs Office for Law Enforcement services, and has ask Village Attorney to enter discussions with Box Butte County to see what such a contract could look like.

After much discussion, hearing from both residents and Board members as well as Chief of Police Dusty Bryner the meeting was adjourned at 7:20pm

Motion to adjourn at 7:20pm by Wacker, second by Frost

Voting Aye: Wacker, Hunter, Frost, Annen

Abstaining: Novotny

ATTEST:

John Annen, Chairman

Barb Straub, Village Clerk