

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

VILLAGE OF HEMINGFORD BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 18, 2024-6:00pm

700 Box Butte Ave. Hemingford, NE. 69348

Zoom Virtual Meeting information

Meeting ID 896 1691 0236 Passcode 230158

Pledge of Allegiance

Opening prayer by – Jake Frost

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

Meeting called to order at 6:04 p.m.

Present: Novotny, Mahony, Frost, Wacker, Hunter

Consent Calendar items included the Minutes of the May 21, 2024 Regular meeting Claims against the Village of \$68,637.79, Claims against the Utilities of \$114,930.81. Claims against the 2024 Street Project Phase 1 \$7,008.25. May 2024 Village Financial Statements and Bank Reconciliations reports. May 2024 Library Report.

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

Voting Aye: Novotny, Mahony, Frost, Wacker

Abstaining: Hunter

Discussion and possible action: Approval of payroll for the Hemingford Pool Manager A. Frost 5/30/24 \$315.00 and 6/13/24 \$1113.75 for a total of \$1428.75.

Motion by Mahony, Second by Novotny to approve payroll for A. Frost in the total amount of \$1428.75

Voting Aye: Novotny Mahony, Hunter, Wacker

Abstaining: Frost

Utilities Department Report: General maintenance on equipment has been done, regular summer sewer jetting is started, mosquito spraying will start soon, the sprayer has been calibrated and we have three operators that will do the spraying for the Village this year. The electric department has six poles that have been replaced between the COOP and K. Wills properties. The Wheatridge underground project will be completed in the next week or so. The water department found a leak at the cemetery that prevented the hose reel from working properly, parts have been ordered for repair and will be an easy fix once they arrive. Splash Pad installation has been delayed due to the installer running into weather delays at another site. The current start date has been pushed back to just after July 4th.

Discussion and possible action: Keep Alliance Beautiful Recycling opportunities for Hemingford. J. Weare from Keep Alliance Beautiful explained that the amount of recycling has more than doubled since moving the trailers and bins from the shop area to a more visible and accessible location. Keep Alliance Beautiful is a not-for-profit organization, and sometimes has trouble keeping up with demand due to limited funding and equipment breakdowns. Staff do all the sorting and have a hauler from Kimball pick up the plastic bales and take them to Ogallala then on to First star in Omaha. Mr. Weare ask if Hemingford would be willing to help by transporting the trailer to Alliance from time to time. As the amount of recycling increases it could

become necessary to put some more bins in the alley behind the businesses. K. Huss said it would be possible for one of the Village employees to bring a full trailer to the recycling center if all they have to do is drop it off and not wait for it to be emptied, he also suggested that there is the possibility of getting more bins from the Coop. Board members ask what the cost of a new second trailer would be but Mr. Weare was unable to answer that without doing some shopping and research but thought it would cost around \$12,000. Conversation ended with the Village agreeing to transport a full trailer to Alliance from time to time and to checking on more bins from the Coop to put in the alleys. The Board will also consider putting a new recycling trailer into the upcoming budget.

Discussion and possible action: Approval of the construction Engineering services agreement with MC Schaff for the 2024 Hemingford Street Improvements -Phase 1. Construction engineering services amount to \$291,504

Motion by Mahony, Second by Frost to approve the Construction Engineering Service Agreement with MC Schaff in the amount of \$291, 504.

Voting Aye: Novotny, Mahony, Hunter, Frost, Wacker.

Discussion and possible action: Big Iron has sent the proceeds for the sale of the Charger, Sander Pick up and John Deere Mower in the amount of \$8448. Clerk is in need of clarification as to where to deposit those funds.

Motion by Mahony, Second by Hunter to deposit the proceeds of the sale of the Dodeg Charger, John Deer Mower, and Sander Pick-up into the Utilities Sinking Fund in the amount of \$8,448.

Voting Aye: Novotny, Mahony, Hunter, Frost, Wacker.

Administrators Report: BBCSO reports 23 calls for service. A full description of service calls is provided in the Board Packet, first rent payment for the Care Center was received for the month of May in the amount of \$2982.24. Senex is going through their insurance renewal audit now and requested information regarding roof work that was done 3 or 4 years ago. Grant work for the new playground equipment has started. The street project funds CD matured and was split to repay the Sales Tax account for expenditures for engineering and the first interest payment on the Bond Anticipation Note (BAN) in the amount of \$157,414.75, another \$1,000,000 was put into a Money Market account for expenditures predicted prior to the next maturation date of December 12, 2024 of the new CD which holds the balance of the project funds (\$2,223,005.74)

Public Comment: There were no comments or questions from the public.

Meeting adjourned by Chairman Wacker at 6:50pm.

Voting Aye: Novotny, Mahony, Hunter, Frost, Wacker

ATTEST:

Richard Wacker, Chairman

Barb Straub, Village Clerk