

**VILLAGE OF ELM CREEK
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 25, 2016, 7:30 P.M.**

A Regular Meeting of the Elm Creek Village Board of Trustees was convened in open and public session at the Elm Creek Village Center, 535 W. Boyd Avenue, Elm Creek, Nebraska at 7:30 p.m. on August 25, 2016. Advance Notice of this meeting was given in advance thereof by posting of Notice in three public places within the Village and publication in the Beacon Observer, as shown in the Certificate of Posting affixed to these minutes. Advance Notice was simultaneously given to the Chairman and all members of the Board of Trustees and their acknowledgment of receipt of Notice and the agenda are affixed to these minutes. Chairman Jim Gunderson called the meeting to order at 7:31p.m. by calling for the roll with the following members responding: Davis Miner, Jim Gunderson, Cory Halliwell, Kathy Labs and Gary Brouillette. Absent: none. Jim announced that the Open Meeting Laws were in the hallway leading to the meeting room for the public's inspection.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Jim and seconded by Gary to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the minutes of the Regular Meeting on July 28, 2016 and the minutes of the Special Meeting on August 11, 2016 and approval of the Claims for the month of August 2016 in the amount of \$95,909.34. Ayes: Jim, Davis, Cory, Kathy and Gary. Nays: none. The motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

EMPLOYEE REPORTS: Clint tried getting the generator hooked up at the south station, Bill Simmerman got it started but it died and won't start now. Clint will be putting together information for quotes to replace and will have for the next meeting. Clint also reported the tree on the south side of the library is dead. The board told Clint to go ahead and remove it. Jim reported the American Legion is having the Flag Dedication at the Memorial downtown by the library to present to the community a Container for retired flags and that they will have a full service with taps and gun salute on Wednesday, August 31st at 6:30pm.

SHERIFF'S REPORT: Captain Bob reported that it was a busy July and August. No significant events this last month. He also reported they will be reinitiating the D.A.R.E. program with the 6th graders. They have also hired a new deputy in training and that they have adjusted the CSO's hours to 7am-4pm for now. Eventually they will go back to 8am-5pm. He mentioned that they had set up the speed trailer on Tyler Street and had several on patrol the first few days this week.

REGULAR AGENDA

AGENDA ITEM #1: DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: Chris Remmenga-Speed Bumps

Some of the residents on Tyler Drive and Countryside Lane were present at the board meeting to discuss the need for traffic control in the neighborhood to slow down the traffic and make them more aware of the small children playing in the area. Chris Remmenga, Keith and Serina Sladky, Brian Florell, & Richard and Glennis Thies would like to see removable speed bumps installed. They would also like to see stop signs put in on Church Street and make it a 3 way stop. Glennis would also like to see a sign put up on Countryside Lane that says 'Dead End' or 'No Outlet' to keep the traffic from continually coming down to the cul-de-sac and turning around. It would have to be a 'No Thru Street' sign or 'Cul de sac' sign. There have been a couple of residents that expressed to the board that they do not want or foresee a need for speed bumps. Darrin Beavers is not in favor of the speed bumps. He expressed that it is the parent's responsibility to watch their children and teach their children street awareness and safety. Luke is looking at the state statute to see about reducing speed limit. Chris said that Republican City puts out removable speed bumps before Memorial weekend and then removes

them after Labor Day weekend due to all the Lake traffic. He has names and phone numbers available if the board has questions regarding the speed bumps.

AGENDA ITEM #2: DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: Driveway/Drainage Church Street (SG Leasing)

There are a couple property owners that still have concerns about the drainage on Church and Front St. Gary and Dean still have concerns. GD Concrete was present and explained there were never any drains on Church St in front of Gary's building. There were no drains removed. They added an additional drain on Front St. The village had the storm drains cleaned out and since they have been cleaned the drainage has been working just fine. Jim said he drove bus for years and it has always had flooding there by the bus barn. Dean mentioned Gary is still upset that his driveway has not been put back in. The board told Dean that discussion is between GD Concrete and Gary. No action taken.

AGENDA ITEM #3: DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: Amending Special Assessments

Due to timing issues with the previous Special Assessments principal payments, the board decided to amend the previous resolutions regarding the Sidewalk District and Easy Street Improvements by extending the date to November 1, 2016. It was moved by Jim and seconded by Gary to extend the date to November 1, 2016 on the Sidewalk District and Easy Street Assessments and to approve Amended Resolution No 2016-3 and Amended Resolution No 2016-4. Ayes: Jim Gunderson, Gary Brouillette, Cory Halliwell, Davis Miner and Kathy Labs. Nays: none. The motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #4: DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: Gary Branting – Code Violations

Gary Branting was present to see if the village had been sending out code violations to clean up some nuisance properties in town. He said there are getting to be too many inoperable vehicles sitting around with trees growing up through them and tires sinking into the ground, properties and ditches not getting mowed and junk cluttering up the yards. Gary said Pacific Street is bad. Clint updated the board and those present at the meeting that he had sent out code violations by certified letters. Some have complied and the ones that have not complied have been turned over to the sheriff's department who is now currently following up on the code violations.

AGENDA ITEM #5: DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: Dana F. Cole & Company Audit

Bob Beran and Mitch Inman were present with Dana F Cole & Company to present the Audit Report. Bob gave a brief summary of their findings. It was moved by Jim and seconded by Gary to accept the Audit Report for 2014-2015. Ayes: Jim, Davis, Gary, Kathy, and Cory. Nays: none. The motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #6: DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: Additional 1% Allowable Increase in the Restricted Fund Authority

In preparation for the annual budget, Dana Cole requested that the board vote on the allowed additional 1% Restricted Fund Authority. As part of the annual budget, the Village is automatically granted a 2.5% increase in the restricted funds authority but are allowed to vote on an additional 1% increase. It was moved by Gary and seconded by Kathy to approve the additional 1% increase in the total 2016-2017 Restricted Funds Authority subject to limitation. Ayes: Jim, Davis, Gary, Kathy, and Cory. Nays: none. The motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #7: DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: South Well Repairs

The south well has been in since 1977 and running at 60% efficiency. It needs to be pulled and see what the issue is. Downey Drilling provided Clint a proposal for 'worst case scenario' for \$27,801.14 if everything below the head needed to be replaced. A motion by Jim and seconded by Gary to have Downey Drilling work on the south well according to their proposal of \$27,801.14 maximum. Ayes: Gary, Jim, Cory, Davis and Kathy. Nays: none. The motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #8: DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: Garbage Truck

Clint brought in some quotes for the board to review and start the process of looking to trade in the current garbage truck for a new one. The current garbage truck is a 2006. Two of the quotes were for a 2017 Kenworth and 2017 Freightliner and one for 2016 IH 7400. The board asked Clint to see what a 2017 IH 7400 would be and they also wanted to know if they all were equipped with a backup camera. No action taken but will be reviewed at a later meeting.

AGENDA ITEM #9: DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: Church Street Bridge Repair

Wilke Contracting provided quotes for repairs to the bridge. The board decided not to take action tonight but to have a Special Meeting with Dave from Wilke Contracting so that they could ask more questions in detail.

AGENDA ITEM #10: DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: Ashley Cameron Website Hosting Renewal

It was moved by Kathy and seconded by Cory to renew our Website Hosting with Ashley Cameron Design for 1 year at \$160.00/1 year. Ayes: Gary, Jim, Cory, Davis and Kathy. Nays: none. The motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #11: DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: September Meeting Date Change

It was moved by Jim and seconded by Kathy to change the Budget Hearing and September Regular Meeting date to Tuesday, September 13th at 7:00pm and 7:30pm. Ayes: Gary, Jim, Cory, Davis and Kathy. Nays: none. The motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #12: DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: Executive Session

No action

AGENDA ITEM #13: Adjournment

All agenda items having been considered, it was moved by Davis and seconded by Cory to adjourn this Regular Meeting. Ayes: Jim, Gary, Kathy, Davis and Cory. Nays: none. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

Chairman-Elm Creek Village Board

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Village Clerk