

Village of Wauneta, Nebraska

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Wauneta, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at 6:30 p.m. on **April 9, 2024**, at the Wauneta Community Building. (The meeting was moved from the Village Office to accommodate attendees.

Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Chairman Johnston publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was held.

Present: Beau Kramer, Crystal Walgren, Rick Einspahr and Page Johnston. Absent: Bob Goings.

Guests: Arlan Wine (Village Attorney), RaNae Richardson (WCTC), Janice Edwards (WCTC), Kaylee Manley

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Imperial Republican on April 4, 2024, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these Minutes. Notice of this meeting was simultaneously given to the Chairman and all the Trustees and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of such notice is attached to these Minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice to the Chairman and all the Trustees. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Motion made by Einspahr, seconded by Kramer, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees, held on March 12, 2024. Voting Aye: Kramer, Walgren, Einspahr and Johnston. Absent: Goings. Voting Nay: None. Motion approved.

Motion made by Walgren, seconded by Einspahr, to approve Treasurer's Report (March 2024) and approve bills (April 2024) as presented. Voting Aye: Kramer, Walgren, Einspahr and Johnston. Absent: Goings. Voting Nay: None. Motion approved.

Water/Sewer

SWPPD	Utilities – well 3	217.78
AMGL	Prof fees – Audit 9/30/2023	3285.00
American Agri Lab	Water test fees	57.56
BW Telcom	SCADA – internet & phone	139.85
Baxter Concrete	Street repairs – water main break	1840.00
HOA Solutions	Notification service	266.25
NE, KS & CO Railway	Sewer pipeline crossing	990.96
Petty Cash	Postage	31.35
Power Manager	Billing supplies	749.68
SWPPD	Utilities – new wells	442.93
Water USDA Loan Reserve	Transfer	400.00
Water/Sewer Building Fund	Transfer	1339.00
Water/Sewer Insurance Fund	Transfer	800.00
Wauneta Municipal Utilities	Utilities	233.30
Hondo Fanning Construction	Meter deposit refund	50.00
SW NE Properties	Meter deposit refund	50.00

Electric

Village of Wauneta	Payroll p/e 3/15	6687.82
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Village of Wauneta	Payroll p/e 3/28	5923.12
Merchant Bank	Credit card processing fees	405.56
Village of Wauneta	Payroll – stipend, HSA	1332.56
AMGL	Prof fees – Audit 9/30/2023	3280.00
D&S Hardware	Operating supplies	151.95
Dutton-Lainson	Supplies, transformers	6547.09
Electric Insurance Fund	Transfer	1260.00
Healthiest You	Supplemental insurance – Teladoc	28.35
Ideal Linen	Shop towels	81.28
Imperial Republican	Publishing	51.50
Lincoln National Life	Life, A&D insurance	80.79
Nebraska Public Power District	Power – March 2024	22969.00
One Call Concepts	Diggers hotline locates	8.34
SWPPD	Subtransmission charge	1600.64
US Dept of Energy	WAPA power – March 2024	8573.99
US Postmaster	Postage	204.00
Wauneta Crossroads	Fuel, supplies	527.05
Wauneta Municipal Utilities	Utilities	350.55
Goings Inc	Meter deposit refund	150.00
Hondo Fanning Construction	Meter deposit refund	150.00
SW NE Properties	Meter deposit refund	100.00

Village Bills

Village of Wauneta	Payroll p/e 3/15	2542.15
Village of Wauneta	Payroll p/e 3/29	2184.47
Village of Wauneta	Payroll – stipend, HSA	666.28
AMGL	Prof fees – Audit 9/30/2023	3285.00
BW Telcom	Phone	615.91
Tina Barnard	Cleaning – community building	103.50
Chase County Treasurer	Police service contract	1833.33
Eakes Office	Office supplies	96.83
Frenchman Auto	Repairs & maintenance	135.00
Great Plains Communication	Phone	57.91
Imperial City Utilities	Ourada house – household waste	298.40
Imperial Republican	Publishing	111.00
Lincoln National Life	Life, A&D insurance	34.35
Petty Cash	Postage, supplies	46.82
Scotties Potties	Pot cleaning	80.00
Village Insurance Fund	Transfer	3035.00
Wauneta Crossroads	Ambulance Barn LP	273.16
Wauneta Crossroads	Fuel, supplies, tables	1359.56
Wauneta Municipal Utilities	Utilities	1748.10
Arlan Wine	Retainer	300.00
Evelyn Skelton	Mower parts	23.42

KENO Account

Petty Cash

Postage

30.45

Kaylee Manley was present to voice concerns to the Village Board of Trustees regarding her termination of employment from WCTC.

Kramer and Richardson reviewed the Nursing Home's Financial Reports for February 2024 and the Committee Meeting Report with the Village Board.

Motion made by Einspahr, seconded by Walgren, to approve the wage increase for Darr Stehno (DON), as recommended by WCTC Administration. Voting Aye: Kramer, Walgren, Einspahr and Johnston. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Goings. Motion approved.

Beau Licking was present to express interest in purchasing a vacant lot which is owned by the Village (73 S. Center). The Board stated that they are not interested in selling the lot at this time.

The Board reviewed the Chase County Sheriff's Report for March.

Motion made by Kramer, seconded by Einspahr, to direct the Village Attorney to amend the "revised" Contract for Police Services with the additional revisions proposed by the Chase County Attorney, and to further approve said contract as amended and direct the Chairman to sign. Voting Aye: Kramer, Walgren, Einspahr and Johnston. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Goings. Motion approved.

Motion made by Kramer, seconded by Walgren, to approve an increase to the life insurance coverage for the Wauneta Volunteer Fireman; premium to be split between the Village and Rural Fire Department. Voting Aye: Kramer, Walgren, Einspahr and Johnston. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Goings. Motion approved.

Motion made by Einspahr, seconded by Walgren, to hire Justin Haskins for the Utilities Worker position, as recommended by the Hiring Committee. Voting Aye: Kramer, Walgren, Einspahr and Johnston. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Goings. Motion approved.

Motion made by Kramer, seconded by Walgren, to approve the proposal from Shelco Asphalt for crack sealing streets, in the amount of \$21,420.00. Voting Aye: Kramer, Walgren, Einspahr and Johnston. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Goings. Motion approved.

Motion made by Einspahr, seconded by Walgren, to approve the proposal from Midwest Striping Service for painting parking stripes and center lines on a portion of Tecumseh, in the amount of \$3,360.00. Voting Aye: Kramer, Walgren, Einspahr and Johnston. Voting Nay: None. Absent: Goings. Motion approved. Lawless will review the number of handicap stalls needed before work is done.

Motion made by Einspahr, seconded by Kramer, to approve the quote from Schindler Elevator (\$19,004) to fabricate a new selector/control board for the Village Office elevator. Voting Aye: Kramer, Walgren, Einspahr and Johnston. Absent: Goings. Voting Nay: None. Motion approved.

Clerk's Report was given by Skelton.

Superintendent's Report was given by Lawless.

Motion made by Kramer, seconded by Einspahr, to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Voting Aye: Kramer, Walgren, Einspahr and Johnston. Absent: Goings. Voting Nay: None. Motion approved.

Meeting Adjourned.

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Evelyn Skelton, Clerk