

The Village of Nehawka Board of Trustees met in regular session on Wednesday, March 8, 2023 at the Nehawka Community Building. Chairman June Bennett called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m., noted the Open Meetings Act displayed for public viewing, roll call of the board. In attendance: Bob Sorenson, Ian Begemann, June Bennett, (Jason Jackson and Tim Dineen absent). Other attendees: Attorneys, Tom Prickett and Robert Larsen; Maintenance, Jim Nichols; Fire and Rescue, Kevin Gerken, Gene Monroe, Darlene Thorne, Adam Hamilton; Nick Rayer, Kody Gregg, Kathy Gregg, John Henderson, Matt Anson, Tyler Jensen, and James Burton.

Consent Agenda: The February 8, 2023 Regular Meeting minutes were reviewed. The Treasurer's Report was reviewed, and Claims were presented and reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes, treasurer's report and claims by Begemann, seconded by Bennett. Motion carried.

Correspondence: None

Maintenance: Jim Nichols reported that the water usage is normal, and everything is working well.; sewer plant seems to be running okay and UV bulbs are needed for the system. Tri-State came out and jet out the line again at Lindsey, due to lack of water flow. The truck is needing new tires here shortly, Jim is to get a price.

Rescue: Kevin Gerken reported that they made most of the calls last month and had good attendance. EMS Connect was cancelled as of 3/31/23.. Reported that they only received 75K on the grant for the squad, wasn't the 150K they were hoping for, still researching options to purchase a 2nd squad. Received the Firehouse Grant money has been received and is being used for a heart monitor.

Building and Zoning Report – Gene Monroe had a meeting for permit for a carport 12x24, attaching to the existing shed from K Gregg, met the zoning requirements and permit approved.

Public Comment. Concerns. and Input: None.

New Business:

Planning Commission and Zoning and Building Committee – Discuss with committee tasks, processes and/or responsibilities. Gene Monroe presented the summary from manual list of duties and commission process.

John Henderson addressed the board regarding building going on in town without permits. He stated we need an even playing field for everyone. The current process means nothing, people are doing what they want without any recourse. Permits need to be filed and approved before any building for everyone.

Sewer Lines – West St/Oak St, Main line on West St – Tabled to April, Jackson is out of town.

Permit Requested – K Gregg requested a permit for 704 Elm St, Carport 12x24. No motion or action taken at this time, board is requesting for information from homeowner on the materials to be used, exact dimensions, footing and construction detail, this information is to be received by the board 48 hours prior to any consideration of a permit request.

Increase Permit Fees – Tabled at this time.

Water Meters – Jim will work with the plumber to get the last 4 meters installed.

Rock for parking lot behind Community building. A motion was made by Sorenson to bring in 2 loads of rock to be used in the parking lot. 2nd by Begemann, motion carried.

Approve Asher Behrns application to Nehawka Rescue – A motion was made to approve the application as a EMT to the Rescue Squad by Sorenson, 2nd by Begemann, motion carried.

Approve 2nd proposal of Road repair with Burton Asphalt – Motion to proceed with the 2nd phase of the road repair and have the attorney draw up the contract was made by Begemann, 2nd by Bennett, Against – Sorenson. Motion carried.

Ambulance cot purchase – Kevin reported that the grant fell through to purchase another squad, but Lincoln Rescue is updating their equipment and we have the opportunity to purchase a Striker cot for \$5000. The loading system is approximately \$26,000, holding on this at this time, would like to also buy the maintenance plan for the first year for \$1500 and re-evaluate next year if should be renewed. A motion was made to buy the cot and maintenance plan from Striker and that we try and get assistance from Union and Lake Waconda as well, Kevin and Kason will talk to both of these towns. Motion by Sorenson, 2nd by Bennett, motion carried.

Old Business:

Burton Asphalt – Entry of contract with James Burton (Burton Asphalt) for road repair. Motion to proceed with the contract was made by Begemann, 2nd by Bennett, Against – Sorenson. Motion carried.

Frontier Coop – Larry Hathaway – Regarding gas station/drains repair. The sewer needs to be jetted by Tri-State while Frontier Coop repairs the area around the station.. A motion was made to work with the coop and jet the lines while the drains are open during the construction. Motion by Sorenson, 2nd by Bennett. Motion carried.

Sub Standard & Blighted Criteria – Robert Larsen from the attorney’s office spoke that not many cons or pros but that this needs to be done to apply for grants. The survey needed to proceed runs approximately \$6500 plus attorney fees. The whole process takes about six months Still obtaining more information.

Demo of mobile home (burned). Kevin Gerken reported that they hope to have the work completed by the end of March, they are actively working on this as the weather permits.

White shed (parcel 130050989) Elm and Main – nothing new this month.

704 Elm Street – cleanup, 30 days up. K Gregg reported that 8 vehicles have been removed and they are working on getting the rest of the stuff out by the end of the month. Readdress in April.

Any other business pertinent to Village Operation Matt Anson suggested that we bring back cleanup days to try and clean up the town. Nick reported that the campers are coming in April to clean up the campground.

Motion by Begemann, seconded by Sorenson to adjourn at 9:11 p.m. Motion carried.

Attest: Christine Lowther, Village Clerk/Treasurer

<u>Account</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Balance</u>	
GENERAL	Jimmy Nichols	Net Salary - Maintenance	2,107.80	
	Jimmy Nichols - Expenses	Gas for truck	81.00	
	Christine Lowther	Net Salary - Clerk/Treasurer	788.50	
	Christine Lowther - Expenses	2 rolls stamps/ink cartridge	126.00	
	American Legal Publishing Corp	5 Code books and online format	990.00	
	Frontier Cooperative	Fuel - maintenance pickup	69.15	
	Meeske Hardware	Mop handle and lights kitchen	45.52	
	NextLink Internet	Village Office Internet Service	35.00	
	NPPD-217 Sherman Ave	Village Comm Bldg / Parking Lights	31.58	
	NPPD-217 Sherman Ave	Community building	349.96	
	NPPD-217 Sherman Ave	Whistle	38.98	
	NPPD- Main St & Washington	Ball park	68.36	
	NPPD- Main St & Washington	Concession Stand	31.58	
	NPPD-301 Main St	Electricity - Park and Pavilion	31.58	
	NPPD-Corner of Main & Elm St	Electricity - Flaggpole Light	31.58	
	NPPD-Streetlights	Electricity - Village Streetlights	368.99	
	Papillion Sanitation	Recycle	376.68	
	Papillion Sanitation	Trash pickup	69.43	
	RAKA Rentals	wood chipper	537.60	
	Reinsch Slattery Bear Minahan Prickett, PC	Attorney Fees	833.00	
	Windstream 4022270100	Village Whistle	37.19	
	Windstream 4022279923	Village Office Phone	103.26	
	United States Treasury	Employer's Qtrly Fed WH Tax 2022 Qtr 4 DEC	1,137.40	
	TOTAL GENERAL ACCOUNT			\$8,290.14
LIBRARY	NPPD	221 Elm St	31.58	
	TOTAL LIBRARY ACCOUNT			\$31.58
HIGHWAY	Burton Asphalt Paving and Sealcoating LLC	Milling and filling cracks per contract 25%	5,375.00	
	TOTAL HIGHWAY ACCOUNT			\$5,375.00
SEWER	Jesse Keene - Sewer	Backup Fee	25.00	
	Hamilton Handyman and Repair	Repair elbow at plant	200.00	
	NextLink Internet	Sewer Plant Internet Service	35.00	
	NPPD-Nehawka & Maple	Electricity - Sewer Plant	550.40	
	NPPD-Water Treat Newahwka Rd	Electricity - Lights	11.44	
	TOTAL SEWER ACCOUNT			\$821.84
WATER	Cass County Rural Water Dist No 1	Water Supplier	2,331.00	
	Meeske Hardware	Padlock and batteries	43.63	
	Nebraska Public Health Env Lab	Monthly Tests / Supplies	15.00	
	NPPD-Maple & Ave N	Electricity - Water Bldg	40.40	
	TOTAL WATER ACCOUNT			\$2,430.03
AMBULANCE	EMS Connect	Online Training	52.00	
	Frontier Cooperative	Rescue Squad Fuel	28.63	
	Firefox Rescue Equipment	1st incident repair Jan 2022	5,162.95	
	Firefox Rescue Equipment	2nd incident repair Jan 2022	5,040.26	
	Quick Med Claims	Ground Trips/Revenue	0.00	
	TOTAL AMBULANCE ACCOUNT			\$10,283.84
		TOTAL CLAIMS		\$27,232.43