

The Village of Nehawka Board of Trustees met in regular session on Wednesday, November 8, 2023, at the Nehawka Community Building. Chairman June Bennett called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., noted the Open Meetings Act displayed for public viewing, roll call of the board. In attendance: Bob Sorenson, June Bennett, Tim Dineen, and Ian Begemann. Jason Jackson, absent. Other attendees: Attorney, Tom Prickett; Matt Anson, Ryan Adams, Jim Nichols, Nick Rayer, Teara Adams, Darlene Thorne, Jamie Hohenfield, Becky Rayer, Barb Wagner, Mike McIntyre, Coleen Thonen, Jeff Thonen, Brett Wagner, Jim Neu, Pat Neu, Chad Krueger, Kermit Svanda, Sue Svanda, Lona Bennett, and Kim Stone.

Consent Agenda: The October 11, 2023, Regular Meeting minutes were reviewed and amended. The Treasurer's Report was reviewed, and Claims were presented, reviewed, and amended. Motion to approve the minutes, treasurer's report, and claims by Begemann, seconded by Dineen. Motion carried.

Correspondence: June Bennett read resignation letter from Board of Trustee, Jason Jackson that he was resigning effective Monday, November 6, 2023.

Maintenance: Jim Nichols reported nothing new with water, normal usage, chlorine was a little high and that has been adjusted. Pipes in the water shack are rusting out, he presented photos to the board. Probably need to look at repairing the pipes. Everything going well at Sewer plant. Had Tri-State come and pump out at the sewer plant.

Zoning and Planning Committee – No one present to give report.

Rescue: Kason reported going well, making calls. The squad is running well. New officers were voted in. The captain is Mike McIntyre, Secretary/Treasurer is Jen Finch and President is Kason Cade.

Public Comment. Concerns. and Input: - Nothing

Executive session was requested by board member Ian Begemann, per June Bennett's request we will stay in open session. Board member Begemann and Dineen pointed out issues the board and residents are having with June Bennett, Chairman. She let her personal views delay the license on the bar and the request for a street dance in the past. The running of village meetings, wanting to vote no on the approval of Becky Rayer to the rescue squad due to conflict with her husband Nick Rayer, missing library paperwork, burning of village papers, changing locks to the village clerk office without approval and/or knowledge by any other board members, not responding to text messages, accessing village office and village email when clerk not present. They wanted to remind her that all Board Members are equal, no one has more power than any other Board Member and everything needs to be voted on.

Discuss/Approve Job Posting for Maintenance Position. The job description was approved and will be posted in the Omaha World Herald, in town and on the website. We will hold a Special Meeting on November 27th at 7pm.

Discuss/Approve Violation letter on Pets. The letter was read and motion to approve made by Sorenson. According to the Violation letter, an Animal Control Officer needs to be appointed, another motion was made to appoint Ian Begemann as the Animal Control Officer for the village by Sorenson, both motions made by Sorenson, both motions seconded by Dineen, Bennett voted no, Begemann abstained, both motions carried.

Amendment to Resolution 2023-4. Resolution was approved last month without the board members reading the resolution in its entirety. A few changes are being requested, the village clerk will retype the Resolution and it will be presented again at the next regular village meeting.

Discuss/Approve purchase of lawnmower for the village. The quote was presented from Ty Outdoor Motors. A motion to purchase the lawnmower was made by Begemann, seconded by Dineen, Bennett voted no, motion carried.

Discuss/Approve repair of bridge railing on bridge-Elm Street. Begemann reported that he is working on this and getting pricing. He is in contact with R&R Welding in Avoca, and they are working on a quote. Further discussion at the next meeting.

Resident asked to address the board regarding missing animals in town. Kim Stone addressed the board regarding the missing pets. She read a state statute regarding animals, stated that cats are missing in town and wants it to stop.

Approve the Officers for Rescue. The new officers for the rescue squad are Mike McIntyre, Captain, Jen Finch, Secretary/Treasurer and Kason Cade, President. A motion was made by Sorenson, seconded by Bennett, motion carried.

Street closure Lincoln St on December 2nd for fire training, alternate date would be December 9th. Ryan Adams presented the State Fire Marshal approval form for the training burn. Motion made by Sorenson to approve the closure, seconded by Begemann, motion carried.

Resignation of a member of the Village of Nehawka Board of Trustees. Chairman, June Bennett read a letter dated November 6, 2023, from Jason Jackson that he was resigning effective the date of letter. Reasons stated in resignation letter.

Discussion/Approve posting for Village Residents interested in being appointed to the Village of Nehawka Board of Trustees. We will post for 15 days, ask that they attend the next meeting in December and please email a bio/information on self and why you would like to be appointed. We will post on website and three locations in town.

Public Comments, Concerns, and Input – Jim Neu said that a couple of flags need to be replaced in town, Bennett can get flags, she will get them for the village. Jim Neu also reported that some drywall needs replaced in the garage. Lona Bennett spoke regarding her missing cat. Board member, Robert Sorenson announced that he was resigning effective immediately as a board of trustee. He will hand in his resignation and keys to the clerk on Thursday.

Adjournment

Motion by Sorenson, seconded by Begemann to adjourn at 8:47 pm, motion carried.

Attest: Christine Lowther, Village Clerk/Treasurer

GENERAL	Jimmy Nichols	Net Salary - Maintenance	2,107.80	
	Christine Lowther	Net Salary - Clerk/Treasurer	788.50	
	Christine Lowther-expenses	2 rolls stamps/binders	149.12	
	Ian Begemann - expenses	Cable clamps	28.00	
	Miller Farrell Ins Agency	PD&O	1,497.00	
	Miller Farrell Ins Agency	Umbrella	4,697.00	
	Miller Farrell Ins Agency	Work Comp	2,439.00	
	Miller Farrell Ins Agency	Auto	1,271.00	
	Miller Farrell Ins Agency	GL	1,053.00	
	Miller Farrell Ins Agency	Inland Marine	234.00	
	Miller Farrell Ins Agency	Property	10,338.00	
	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	65.66	
	NPPD-217 Sherman Ave	Whistle	37.31	
	NPPD- Main St & Washington	Ball park	31.58	
	NPPD- Main St & Washington	Concession Stand	68.36	
	NPPD-301 Main St	Electricity - Park and Pavilion	31.58	
	NPPD-Corner of Main & Elm St	Electricity - Flagpole Light	31.58	
	NPPD-Streetlights	Electricity - Village Streetlights	383.77	
	Papillion Sanitation	Trash Service	69.43	
	Reinsch, Slattery, Bear, Minahan, & Prickett	Legal fees	909.50	
	Windstream 4022270100	Village Whistle	37.37	
	Windstream 4022279923	Village Office Phone	104.50	
	United States Treasury	Employer's Qtrly Fed WH Tax 2022 Qtr 4-DEC	1,137.40	ACH
	TOTAL GENERAL ACCOUNT			\$27,577.04
LIBRARY	NPPD	221 Elm St	31.58	
	TOTAL LIBRARY ACCOUNT			\$31.58
SEWER	Jesse Keene - Sewer	Backup Fee	25.00	
	Midwest Laboratories	plastic bottles and chemicals	411.07	
	NextLink Internet	Sewer Plant Internet Service	35.00	
	NPPD-Nehawka & Maple	Electricity - Sewer Plant	426.32	
	NPPD-Water Treat Newahwka Rd	Electricity - Lights	11.44	
	TOTAL SEWER ACCOUNT			\$908.83
WATER	Cass County Rural Water Dist No 1	Water Supplier	2,614.50	
	Meeske Auto	Joint compound	21.58	
	Nebraska Public Health Env Lab	Monthly Tests / Supplies	15.00	
	NPPD-Maple & Ave N	Electricity - Water Bldg	30.00	
	Nebraska Rural Water Assoc	Dues	200.00	
	TOTAL WATER ACCOUNT			\$2,881.08
AMBULANCE	Frontier Coop	Fuel Ambulance	78.55	
	Larson	Oil Change	191.99	
	Nebraska Medical Center	2nd Qtr 2023 Medical Director Fee	493.80	
	Quick Med Claims	Ground Trips/Revenue	0.00	
	TOTAL AMBULANCE ACCOUNT			\$764.34
		TOTAL CLAIMS		\$32,162.87

TREASURER'S REPORT

AS OF November 8, 2023

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>BEGINNING BALANCE 10/01/2023</u>	<u>DEBITS</u>	<u>CREDITS</u>	<u>ENDING BALANCE 10/31/2023</u>	<u>Outstanding Checks</u>
GENERAL	\$61,863.56	-\$12,463.10 \$1,137.40 (IRS Pymt taxes)	\$11,443.41 \$833.00 (Maintenance Sep 2023 Salary Allocation from Sewer) \$1,119.00 (Maintenance and Clerk Sep 2023 Salary Allocation from Water) \$2,933.83 (NPPD-General S ACH Payment) \$3,606.56 (Cass Co Treasurer) \$306.03 (Verizon) \$1,733.67(State of NE) \$560.00(Pet Lic fees) \$324.00 (Don Johns bill) \$27.32 (Interest)	\$60,843.87	June Bennett-\$150.00, ck# Tim Dineen-\$150.00, ck# Michaels Garage-\$273.91, ck#
AMBULANCE	\$79,035.83	-\$113.40	\$34.62 \$34.62 (Interest)	\$78,957.05	
KENO	\$840.22	-\$324.00 \$324.00 (Don Johns Porta bill)	\$0.00	\$516.22	
WATER	\$35,716.21	-\$3,155.50 \$1,119.00 (Maintenance and Clerk Sep 2023 Salary Allocation to General)	\$7,316.00 \$17.04 (Interest)	\$39,876.71	\$1.36 – Check# 2694 Jimmy Nichols

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SEWER	\$48,767.69	-\$2,421.97 \$833.00 (Maintenance Sep 2023 Salary Allocation to General) \$756.22(St of NE S/tax)	\$3,744.36 \$21.59 (Interest)	\$50,090.08	Jesse Keene-\$25.00, ck#
HIGHWAY FUNDS	\$43,612.14	-\$0.00	\$3,231.42 \$3,211.33 (State of NE Hwy Alloc) \$20.09 (Interest)	\$46,843.56	
LIBRARY (Checking Acct)	\$1,366.72	-\$31.58	\$0.00	\$1,335.14	
COVID RECOVERY FUNDS (Savings Acct)	\$18,978.22	-\$0.00	\$7.10 \$7.10(Interest)	\$18,985.32	
Water Dept. CD 2948 (12month Certificate)	\$9,412.82	-\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,412.82	
Park Improvement Fund (Savings Acct)	\$1092.31	\$0.00	\$0.42 \$.42 (Interest)	\$1092.72	

Bank Accounts accessed online 11/3/2023.