

Village of Elwood regular meeting minutes, May 12, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Elwood, Nebraska was held at the Elwood Village Office, 304 Calvert Avenue on Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 7:00 pm. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Board Chair Martin who acknowledged the Open Meetings Act posted on the south wall of the meeting room. Present were Trustees Kleine, Townsend, Fong and Tilson. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Valley Voice Newspaper on May 6, 2021. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

A motion was made by Fong, seconded by Kleine, to approve the April 14, 2021 regular meeting minutes amending the claim of Camas Publishing, LLC from \$134.65 to \$93.71. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote was: Ayes: Kleine, Townsend, Tilson, Fong, Martin; Nays: none; motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Fong, seconded by Tilson, to approve and pay the following Village and Library claims as presented, except for the claim from South Central NE Baseball League for \$75.00 and paying three claims from the sales tax fund. Claims are as follows:

Aflac	390.18	emp pd ins
ATC Communications	49.90	internet
Aurora Cooperative	78.74	fuel
Black Hills Energy	118.62	utilities
CAMAS Publishing	401.28	publications
Cardmember Service-Sec. Bank	61.34	supplies
*Cardmember Service-Sec. Bank	247.10	supplies for concession bldg
Clouse, LeRoy	900.00	tree trimming cemetery
Clouse, Tonnie	135.00	lifeguard classes
Corder, Kirk	49.00	cell phone
Dawson Public Power District	3,646.59	utilities
Eakes - Copier	124.65	copier pymt
Elwood Hometown Coop Market	65.09	supplies
Frazho Firearms	15.17	UT Dep refund
Frazho, Lacie	323.22	lifeguard classes
Hart & Huyser, P.C., L.L.O.	935.00	atty fees
Hoffman, Becky for Brenda Pretzer	35.00	UT Dep refund
John Deere Financial	41.47	parts
Kearney Hub	108.76	CPA ad
*Menards	42.70	supplies for concession
Mistereck utility refund	35.00	utility dep refund
MTL, Inc.	92.00	cleaning
Municipal Supply, Inc. of Nebraska	290.07	water parts
NE Public Health Env. Lab.	38.00	water testing
NE Dept of Revenue	658.27	Sales tax
One Call Concepts, Inc.	20.77	811 locate fee
Paulsen Inc.	821.73	gravel
Pinnacle Bank	393.75	HSA
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Remmenga Drilling Co., Inc.	40.00	equipment rental
*S&D Contractors	3,300.00	sidewalk at ballfield
Schaben Sanitation - Roll-off	299.70	roll-off at dump
Schaben Sanitation Inc.	5,858.29	April solid waste pymt
South Central NE Baseball League	75.00	late fee
Schutz, Shane	20.00	cell phone
Tilson, Charles - Dpty Zon Admin	75.00	bldg permits

Tri City Trib	25.65	CPA ad
Village Uniform	35.20	rugs
TOTAL	20,240.99	
PREAPPROVED/PREPAID CLAIMS:		
Blue Cross/Blue Shield	4,155.19	May emp health ins
CenturyLink, Inc.	128.13	phone
EFTPS withholding, SS, MC	2,859.54	April payroll taxes
Landmark	9,599.72	mower trade in
Payroll	7,893.24	April net payroll
Star Marketing & Admin (Trustmark)	26.10	emp life ins
TD Ameritrade	300.34	April emp retirement co. match
TOTAL PREPAID	24,962.26	
TOTAL CLAIMS	45,203.25	
*Paid with Sales Tax Fund		
LIBRARY CLAIMS: (pp=prepaid)		
Black Hills Energy (pp)	151.69	utilities
CenturyLink (pp)	128.20	telephone/internet
Dawson Public Power District	108.39	utilities
MTL Inc	184.00	janitor
Village of Elwood	1815.54	wages/ss/mc, trash, mowing
Pinnacle Bank credit card	31.51	Amazon books
Elwood Hometown Coop Market	4.44	supplies
TOTAL LIBRARY CLAIMS	2,423.77	

There being no further discussion, the roll call vote was: Ayes: Kleine, Townend, Tilson, Fong, Martin; Nays: none; motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Tilson, seconded by Kleine, to pay funds, as previously voted, to the Elwood Care Center for assistance with roof repairs out of the sales tax fund. After discussion, the roll call vote was: Ayes: Fong, Townsend, Kleine, Tilson, Martin; Nays: none; motion carried 5-0.

Craig Ward was present to report on the Community Redevelopment Authority (CRA). The CRA sent off a proposal inviting a company to place their business near Elwood.

Representing the Sheriff's department, Officer Ward reported receiving a call about an unlicensed vehicle. Asked about having a Board of Health meeting.

Pam Snyder from the Blue Moose requested approval of three Special Designated Liquor Licenses for upcoming gatherings in Elwood. A motion was made by Tilson, seconded by Fong to approve said licenses. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote was: Ayes: Kleine, Townsend, Fong, Tilson, Martin; Nays: none; motion carried 5-0.

Nicole Atterberry and Klaire Pohl gave a presentation regarding changing the animal ordinance to allow chickens in town. The Trustees discussed ways the ordinance could be changed and will consider at the next meeting.

Steve Scoville was present on behalf of the Elwood Housing Authority to discuss the sunken sidewalk over the culvert west of Rush Creek Villa. A motion was made by Tilson, seconded by Fong, that repairs be made by the Village out of the sales tax fund. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote was: Ayes: Kleine, Townsend, Fong, Tilson, Martin; Nays: none; 5-0.

Utility Superintendent Corder reported that the new ball field surface material is still coming, just from a different source. There are racoons digging at the cemetery as a result of grubs; Corder is working with game and parks to solve the problems. Corder has inquired for bids to pave West Rush Street and has not received responses yet. A pump for the sprinklers at the park is on the way; Corder has checked into excavators and the possibility of sharing with a neighboring town. Plumbing items are being installed in the concession stand. The Board discussed a shed or covering for the pool heater.

Kevin Reiners was present to discuss summer ball activities and the possibility of putting up a bullpen/batting cage. A motion was made by Tilson, seconded by Fong to approve the Legion building a batting cage/bullpen up with the assistance of Trustee Tilson and UT Supt Corder using the sales tax fund to pay for expenses.

The Board reviewed the agreement between The Village and the Gosper County Ag Society regarding the housing of the Village sprinkler system in the Ag building. A motion was made by Fong, seconded by Townsend, to pass and approve Resolution 2021-06 approving the Facility Use Agreement between the Gosper County Agricultural Society and the Village of Elwood. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote was: Ayes: Kleine, Tilson, Townsend, Fong, Martin; Nays: none; motion carried 5-0.

Resolution 2021-05 was presented to the Board regarding closing Highways 23 and 283 for the Gosper County parade to be held on July 31, 2021. A motion was made by Tilson, seconded by Townsend to approve Resolution 2021-05. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote was: Ayes: Tilson, Townsend, Kleine, Fong, Martin; Nays: none; motion carried 5-0.

The Trustees discussed services from Dawson Area Development and West Central Nebraska Development District. A motion was made by Kleine, seconded by Fong to approve and pay annual dues for West Central for \$2,050.00. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote was: Ayes: Tilson, Townsend, Fong, Kleine, Martin; Nays: none; motion carried 5-0.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for June 9, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Board Chair Martin adjourned the meeting at 9:00 pm.

Laurie Jauken, Clerk/Treasurer