

Village of Elwood regular meeting minutes, April 17, 2023

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 Monday, April 17, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Board Chair Martin who acknowledged the Open Meetings Act posted on the south wall of the meeting room. Present were Trustees Tilson, Kleine, Townsend and Fong. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Valley Voice Newspaper on April 6, 2023 and by posted notices at Security First Bank, Pinnacle Bank, Elwood Post Office and the Village Office. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

A motion was made by Tilson, seconded by Kleine, to approve the March 8, 2023 regular meeting minutes and the March 28, 2023 special meeting minutes. There being no discussion, the roll call vote was: ayes: Townend, Fong, Kleine, Tilson, Martin; nays: none; motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Fong, seconded by Tilson, to approve and pay the Village and Library claims as presented. There being no discussion, the roll call vote was: ayes: Kleine, Townsend, Tilson, Fong, Martin; nays: none; motion carried 5-0. Claims are as follows:

Aflac	256.40	emp pd ins
ATC Communications	14.90	email, website
Aurora Cooperative	195.82	supplies, fuel
Black Hills Energy	382.97	utilities
Blue Cross Blue Shield of NE	5,155.01	emp health ins
CAMAS Publishing	192.07	publications
Cardmember Service-Sec. Bank	371.12	Norton, office supplies,
postage		
Central District Health Department	63.00	water testing
Community Redevelopment Authority	6,250.00	monthly budget
Corder, Kirk	49.00	cell phone
Dawson Public Power District	4,039.00	utilities
Eakes - Copier	124.65	copier pymt
Elwood Library	17,250.00	qrtrly support (Oct & Apr)
Elwood Public School	220.00	Tobacco & Liquor Licenses
Elwood Summer ball	775.00	5 boy teams, 5 girl teams
Gosper Co. Treasurer (Sheriff Support)	11,715.74	qrtrly sheriff support
Great Plains Communications	173.71	phone, internet at dump
Hart, Huyser & Miller P.C., L.L.O.	1,532.00	atty fees
Heartland Security	5,998.00	dump gate
Jauken, Laurie	198.47	mileage for clerk school
MTL, Inc.	138.83	cleaning
NE Department of Revenue	248.14	sales tax
NE Department of Revenue	1,182.39	qrtrly withholding
NE Public Health Environmental Laboratory	373.00	water testing
Nebraska Rural Water Association	600.00	water classes
One Call Concepts, Inc.	3.58	811 locate fees
Overhead Door of Kearney	307.00	door repair
Pinnacle Bank	393.75	HSA
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Schaben Sanitation - Roll-off	342.45	large dumpster fee

Schaben Sanitation Inc.	6,458.48	trash fees
Schutz, Shane	20.00	cell phone
Sign Pro	376.00	dump signs
Starmark	39.60	May emp life insurance
U-Save Pharmacy	369.36	chair mats
Village Uniform	38.08	rugs
Wells Fargo Equipment Finance, Inc.	1.00	loader payment
TOTAL	65,985.87	
PREAPPROVED/PREPAID CLAIMS:		
EFTPS	4,512.51	March federal payroll taxes
DHHS-accounting	647.54	reimburse for payment error
Payroll	8,992.33	March net payroll
TD Ameritrade	325.19	March 401K company match
TOTAL PREPAID	14,477.57	
TOTAL CLAIMS	80,463.44	
LIBRARY CLAIMS:		
Black Hills Energy	334.16	utilities
Dawson Public Power District	109.89	utilities
MTL Inc	147.00	janitor
Village of Elwood	1,871.25	wages/ss/mc, trash, phone
Pinnacle Visa	284.79	books, postage, event
supplies		
Elwood Hometown Coop Market	19.48	event supplies
Mary's Flour Sack	100.00	event supplies
TOTAL LIBRARY CLAIMS	2,865.57	

Upon reviewing the Treasurer's report, a motion was made by Tilson, seconded by Townsend to approve the Treasurer's Report. The Trustees noted an upcoming Certificate of Deposit maturing. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote was: ayes: Fong, Kleine, Townsend, Tilson, Martin; nays: none; motion carried 5-0.

Minutes from the Community Redevelopment Authority (CRA) were reviewed. Trustee Tilson noted that the Elwood Area Foundation is assisting with a grant application for the Veteran's Memorial. The bid and layout of the Memorial were discussed. A motion was made by Kleine, seconded by Tilson to accept and approve the CRA minutes as presented. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote was: ayes: Townsend, Fong, Tilson, Kleine, Martin; nays: none; motion carried 5-0.

Sheriff Naputi was present with an update on the grant for speed signs.

UT Supt Corder reviewed the cost for leasing a street sweeper versus repairing ours. A motion was made by Fong, seconded by Kleine to have repairs made to the Village's street sweeper. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote was: ayes: Townsend, Tilson, Kleine, Fong, Martin; nays: none; motion carried 5-0.

Corder has been in touch with a John Deere representative about trading a mower.

The company who has previously treated the grass at the ball fields is unable to continue service. Corder received a quote from Mike Schmidt with TLC for \$1,275.00 per application for both fields. A motion was made by Fong, seconded by Tilson, to accept the offer from TLC. There being no further discussion, the roll call vote was: ayes: Kleine, Townsend, Fong, Tilson, Martin; nays: none; motion carried 5-0.

Corder reported that the concrete for the batting cage will be poured Saturday morning and that the lights at the ball field need to be repaired or replaced. The Board

discussed options for the lights and will investigate grant opportunities. Further discussion included whether there is a need for a new pitching machine; this will be reviewed for next year. There was a brief discussion on street repairs and potholes.

Jay and Susie Edwards were present to discuss plans for 308 Smith Avenue as they pursue the development of a coffee shop.

The 2023 Nuisance Abatement Agreement with West Central Nebraska Development District was reviewed. A motion was made by Fong, seconded by Tilson, to approve said agreement. 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 Tilson, seconded by Fong, to approve a Special Designated Liquor License request from the Blue Moose for an event to be held at the Elwood Civic Center on May 27, 2023. There being no discussion, the roll call vote was: ayes: Kleine, Townsend, Tilson, Fong, Martin; nays: none; motion carried 5-0.

The Hazard Mitigation Plan was discussed. There were a few questions regarding a few items in the plan; therefore, no action was taken.

The implementation of meters, types of meters and cost were discussed. More information will be gathered for this project.

Discussion was held on whether to have a city-wide clean-up. No action was taken.

There were two building permits to review.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 10, 2023.

Board Chair Martin adjourned the meeting at 8:47 p.m.

Laurie Jauken, Clerk/Treasurer