

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 19, 2021

Rupe called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm in the Ceresco Community Room. Board members had been given the agenda and supporting documents. Notices were posted in the Village Office, Ceresco Post Office and CerescoBank. Rupe pointed out the Open Meeting Law Act posted on the wall of the Community Room. Answering roll call: Rupe, Ubben, Custer and Ruble. Absent: Eggleston. Also present: John Spader, Steve Anderson, Brian Roland, Lynn Maxson and Joan Lindgren.

Rupe moved to approve the December 15, 2020 minutes as presented. Ruble seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Ruble, Custer and Ubben. No: none. Motion carried.

A stream stabilization report from Eggleston was reviewed. Custer noted the best option is to go 50/50 with the NRD. Additional information from Adam Rupe was reviewed. Clearcutting the trees was discussed. The additional information from Adam Rupe will be sent out again for a rip rap only bid.

John Spader was present for the consideration of the Village selling property. A survey of the property in question was presented for review. Lindgren noted an Administrative Subdivision needs to be completed by Spader. Discussion was held. Ubben noted this is property being developed by Spader and he is bearing the costs. The Village will receive property taxes from the transaction.

Rupe moved to sell Village property to Ceresco Storage for the amount of \$1.00. Ubben seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Ubben, Custer and Ruble. No: none. Motion carried.

Ubben moved to allow John Spader to continue with construction at the Southeast corner of the Ceresco Storage site. Rupe seconded. Voting Yes: Ubben, Rupe, Custer and Ruble. No: none. Motion carried.

Roland reviewed 1) Repair of the water main break at 7th & Elm. Ubben praised Roland for his work. 2) A 14 year old blower at the wwtp went down. New blowers are on a different set up than what is at the wwtp. Concrete and metal in the wwtp are losing its coating, along with rust. Mitch Klein with JEO will be contacted about the water/sewer study that he did, specifically regarding any structure and piping information. 3) A 3 year sewer jetting bid, for 2 times a year, from Johnson Service Company was reviewed. Roland reviewed we have used this company before and they are familiar with our system.

Rupe moved to accept the bid from Johnson Service Company for the sewer jetting. Ruble seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Ruble Custer and Ubben. No: none. Motion carried.

Roland continued his report 4) Well #5 report from SUEZ was reviewed. 5) There haven't been any other issues with the electrical issues at the wells. 6) The storm sewer drain at 1st and Main needs to be repaired. Bids will be requested. 7) The storm sewer at 1st & Elm was reviewed and will be watched. 8) Drainage at 300 W Beech.

Rupe moved to approve the purchase of a new blower from JC Cross. Ruble seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Ruble, Custer and Ubben. No: none. Motion carried.

Anderson reviewed the Police Report. An email regarding 117 Edwin was reviewed.

The Building Inspector Report was reviewed. **Rupe moved to approve the monthly report as presented. Ubben seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Ubben, Custer and Ruble. No: none. Motion carried.**

Rupe moved to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Discussion held. Ruble seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Ruble, Ubben and Custer. No: none. Motion carried.

Ubben moved to pay out the JEO claim for \$590.00. Ruble seconded. Voting Yes: Ubben, Ruble, and Custer. No: none. Abstain: Rupe. Motion carried.

Claims were reviewed. **Rupe moved to approve the claims. Discussion held. Rupe withdrew her motion.**

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Ubben moved to approve the claims with the addition of the Wahoo Metal Products claim to repair the sewer plant railing for \$51.00. Rupe seconded. Voting Yes: Ubben, Rupe, Custer and Ruble. No: none. Motion carried.

Approved claims are: AFLAC \$268.92/ins; All Traffic Solutions \$3,095.00/st; Ameritas \$24.35/ins; Aqua-Chem \$106.30/wat; BlackStrap \$534.90/st; Card Services \$60.00/gen; Carquest Auto Parts \$45.98/wat, sew; Cash \$105.19/st, gen; Baker & Taylor \$93.73/lib; Bobcat Financial Services \$294.33/st; Bomgaars \$71.68/st/sew; Cornhusker Press \$170.45/gen; Delta Dental \$136.50/ins; Electric Pump \$649.60/sew; Erickson & Brooks \$8,625.00/audit; First Bankcard \$4.30/lib; Frontier Coop \$444.17/fuel; HOA Solutions \$14,285.60/sew, wat; Jackson Services \$129.37/uniforms & mats; JC Cross \$1,947.39/sew; Menards \$338.73/sew, gen, st; Midwest Labs \$117.30/sew; Motion Industries \$75.39/sew; Nebraska Public Health Environmental \$65.00/wat; Office Depot \$323.69/gen; Olsson \$119.09/st; One Call Concepts \$28.46/wat, sew; OPPD \$4,472.29/electricity; Otte Oil & Propane \$1,478.87/propane; Platte Valley Equipment \$72.57/prk; Prague Insurance \$327.00/ins; Sam's Club \$478.00/lib, gen, pol; Sandy Tvrdy \$215.00/gen; Three Rivers District Health Dept \$30.00/fire; U.S. Post Office \$195.00/postage; USA Blue Book \$339.06/sew; Verizon Wireless \$173.40/phones; Wahoo/Waverly Adv \$95.89/gen; Wahoo Public Library \$75.00/lib; Waste Connections of NE \$5,270.21/gar; Windstream \$390.57/phones; Chase NY Bank \$214,768.75/bond & interest payment; Nebraska Department of Revenue \$1,829.61/sales tax; Payroll Liabilities: American Funds Investment \$1,081.74; Nebraska Department of Revenue \$1,200.35; Nebraska Department of Labor \$32.07; United States Treasury \$10,499.90; Payroll \$31,753.08

For the three year term of 2021, 2022 and 2023 Rupe appointed Lynn Maxson, Shawn Rudeen and Cody Hall to the Tree Board, and for the three year term of 2020, 2021 and 2022 Rupe appointed Arnie Lowell and Justin Maxson. Accepting the appointments were Ubben, Custer, Ruble and Rupe.

Bids for the Library repair were reviewed. One of the bids did not include insulation. The Board requested Lee's Wallpaper to resubmit a bid to include insulation. Discussion held.

Rupe moved that the Maintenance Subcommittee will select the most appropriate bid for the Library repair. Ubben seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Ubben, Custer and Ruble. No: none. Motion carried.

Custer reviewed Richard Novak will be attending a League meeting regarding youth ball. Also, the Raymond Central Athletic Director requested to use the Ceresco ballfield for all high school softball games. This would include youth camps in July, with practices starting August 9th. Valparaiso fields would only be used for baseball. Valparaiso was paid \$1,000 for baseball and softball use.

Rupe said she wants to table the ballfield until next month discussion and education about the ballfield in the last two years and where we need to go with it. Discussion held. Rupe will look into available grants.

Rupe moved to table the rental of the ballfield to Raymond Central. Ruble seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Ruble, Custer and Ubben. No: none. Motion carried.

Ruble reviewed the Fire Department will be having CPR training and a hamburger fund raiser. Lynn Maxson brought up staffing concerns. Discussion held.

Executive Order No. 21-02: CORONAVIRUS - Continued Limited Waiver of Public Meetings Requirements was reviewed. Governor Ricketts has extended the waivers and conditions through April 30, 2021.

Communication from the attorney regarding the Solid Waste Agreement with Waste Connections was reviewed. Discussion held. No action taken.

Ordinance 2020-10 now comes on for second reading. **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE WAGES AND SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS, APPOINTEES, AND EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE OF CERESCO, NEBRASKA: TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH:**

WHEREUPON, Chairperson Rupe moved that said Ordinance 2020-10 be approved upon its second reading and its title agreed to. Ubben seconded this motion.

The Chair instructed the Clerk to call the roll for the vote thereon. The Clerk called the roll and the following was the vote on this motion. Yeas: Rupe, Ubben, Custer and Ruble. Nays: none

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared said Ordinance 2020-10 be approved on its second reading and its title agreed to and that the third reading of Ordinance 2020-10 be on the next Agenda of a meeting of the Board of Trustees.

WHEREUPON, the Chair announced that the introduction of Resolution 2021-1 was now in order.

Resolution 2021-1 was introduced by Chairperson Rupe and is set forth in full as follows, to wit:

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2302, and 39-2511 through 39-2515 details the requirements that must be met in order for a municipality to qualify for an annual Incentive Payment; and

Whereas: The State of Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) requires that each incorporated municipality must annual certify (by December 31st of each year) the appointment of the City Street Superintendent to the NDOT using the Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent; and

Whereas: The NDOT requires that such certification shall also include a copy of the documentation of the city street superintendents appointment, i.e., meeting minutes; showing the appointment of the City Street Superintendent by their name as it appears on their License (if applicable), their License Number and Class of License (if applicable), and type of appointment, i.e., employed, contract (consultant, or interlocal agreement with another incorporated municipality and/or county), and the beginning date of the appointment; and

Whereas: The NDOT also requires that such Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent shall be signed by the Mayor or Village Board Chairperson and shall include a copy a resolution of the governing body authorizing the signing of the Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent by the Mayor or Village Board Chairperson.

Discussion held.

WHEREUPON, Chairperson Rupe moved that said Resolution 2021-1 be approved. Board Member Ruble seconded this motion. No further discussion was required.

The Chair instructed the Clerk to call the roll and the following was the vote on this motion. Yeas: Rupe, Ruble, Custer and Ubben. Nays: none.

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared that the Motion having been approved by a majority of the votes cast, said Resolution 2021-1 is approved and adopted.

Ubben moved to table the Commercial Lease Agreement discussion. Ruble seconded. Voting Yes: Ubben, Ruble, Custer and Rupe. No: none. Motion carried.

Ubben reviewed using a speaker system during meetings. Discussion held. Ubben will set up his personal system for the next meeting.

Ubben reviewed Ceresco Strong, an idea of a volunteer group that could help repair sidewalks, scout hall, etc. Discussion held.

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Ubben reviewed going paperless for Board meetings. Discussion held. Ubben will work with Lindgren for next meeting.

Rupe moved to adjourn at 8:15 PM. Ruble seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Ruble, Custer and Ubben. No: none. Motion carried.

Toni Rupe, Chair
Joan Lindgren, Clerk