

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
TO AMEND THE BUDGET FOR FY 2022/2023
BUDGET HEARING FY 2023/2024,
SPECIAL HEARING FY 2023/2024
AND REGULAR MEETING
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Hearings to Amend the Budget for FY 2022/2023, a Budget Hearing, for FY 2023/2024, Special Hearing for FY 2023/2024, and Regular Meeting of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska were held on the 26th day of September, 2023, beginning 6:00 PM in the Ceresco Community Room. Notice of the Hearings were published in the Wahoo Newspaper on the 21st day of September, 2023. Hearing notices were also posted at the Village Office, Ceresco Post Office, and CerescoBank on September 18, 2023.

Rupe called the Hearing to Amend the Budget for FY 2022/2023 to order and pointed out the Open Meeting Law Act posted on the wall in the Community Room. Board Members had been given the agenda and supporting documents. Answering roll call: Rupe, Peterson, and Custer. Absent: Ruble and Eggleston. Also present: Peggy Burnette, Kaden Parde, Larry Wendt, Mitchell Estrada, Nancy Witters, Erma Walters, John Anderson, Terri Phillips, Don Hamilton, Brian Roland, Dustin Gushard, Arnie Lowell, and Joan Lindgren.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Custer moved to open the Hearing to Amend the Budget for FY 2022/2023 at 6:00 PM. Rupe seconded. Voting Yeas: Custer, Rupe, and Peterson. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Lindgren reviewed the amendment is in the Street Budget. The 3rd Street project was bonded in the 2022/2023 fiscal year, instead of the 2023/2024 fiscal year due to concerns of increasing interest rates.

The floor was then opened for public comment on the proposed amended budget. John Anderson voiced concerns of taxes being raised.

No further public comment.

Rupe moved to close the Hearing to Amend the Budget for FY 2022/2023 at 6:02 PM. Peterson seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Peterson, and Custer. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Rupe called the Budget Hearing for the proposed FY 2023/2024 to order immediately following the Hearing to Amend the Budget for FY 2022/2023 and pointed out the Open Meeting Law Act posted on the wall in the Community Room. Board Members had been given the agenda and supporting documents. Answering roll call: Rupe, Peterson, and Custer. Absent: Ruble and Eggleston. Also present: Peggy Burnette, Kaden Parde, Larry Wendt, Mitchell Estrada, Nancy Witters, Erma Walters, John Anderson, Terri Phillips, Don Hamilton, Brian Roland, Dustin Gushard, Arnie Lowell, Dave Burklund, and Joan Lindgren.

Rupe moved to open the Budget Hearing for the proposed FY 2023-2024 budget at 6:03 PM. Custer seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Custer, and Peterson. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Budget documents were reviewed, and Lindgren noted a new well project, which will be bonded in the FY 2023/2024. Rupe noted the operating budget will increase 8.43%, the property tax request will increase .55%, the valuation increased 8.87%, and the tax rate will go down 7.65%.

The floor was then opened for public comment on the proposed budget statement. There were no comments from the public.

Rupe moved to close the Budget Hearing for the proposed Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget at 6:07 PM. Peterson seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Peterson, and Custer. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Rupe called the Special Hearing to set the final tax request for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget of

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the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska to order immediately following the Budget Hearing for the proposed FY 2023-2024 budget and pointed out the Open Meeting Law Act posted on the wall in the Community Room. Board Members had been given the agenda and supporting documents. Answering roll call: Rupe, Peterson, and Custer. Absent: Ruble and Eggleston. Also present: Peggy Burnette, Kaden Parde, Larry Wendt, Mitchell Estrada, Nancy Witters, Erma Walters, John Anderson, Terri Phillips, Don Hamilton, Brian Roland, Dustin Gushard, Arnie Lowell, Dave Burklund, Arsen Johnson, and Joan Lindgren.

Rupe moved to open the Special Hearing to set the final tax request for the proposed Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget at 6:08 PM. Custer seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Custer, and Peterson. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Rupe reviewed the 2023/2024 tax rate is set at .448493, which is down from .485633.

The floor was then opened for public comment on the final tax request for the proposed Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget. There were no comments from the public.

Rupe moved to close the Special Hearing to set the final tax request for the proposed Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget at 6:09 PM. Peterson seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Peterson, and Custer. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Rupe called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:09 PM in the Ceresco Community Room immediately following the Special Hearing to set the final tax request for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget and pointed out the Open Meeting Law Act posted on the wall in the Community Room. Board Members had been given the agenda and supporting documents. Notices were posted at the Village Office, Ceresco Post Office, and CerescoBank. Answering roll call: Rupe, Peterson, and Custer. Ruble entered the meeting at 6:16 PM. Absent: Eggleston. Also present: Peggy Burnette, Kaden Parde, Larry Wendt, Mitchell Estrada, Nancy Witters, Erma Walters, John Anderson, Terri Phillips, Don Hamilton, Brian Roland, Dustin Gushard, Arnie Lowell, Dave Burklund, Chilton Leedom, Arsen Johnson, Julie Ogden, Lynn Maxson, and Joan Lindgren.

Rupe proceeded to the minutes.

Rupe moved to approve the August 15 minutes as presented. Peterson seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Peterson, and Custer. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Police Report was reviewed. Intersection obstructions regarding bushes at 1st and Pine Street was discussed. Leedom's personal opinion is the trimming that has been done is adequate. Roland shared concerns of safety hazard at the intersection of 1st and Pine Street due to the bushes. He said the intersection is a safety hazard for the workers. Gushard also shared safety concerns of the intersection. He also asked why ordinances aren't being enforced, and mentioned an incident at the compost site. Dave Burklund noted he thought he had handled the issue when he trimmed the bushes back and said there are other intersections that don't comply. Rupe noted Burklund was given 30 days from the time the Police contacted him to take care of it. Burklund said he would take care of the bushes, and asked again if the other intersections are going to be done. It was noted the code is 60 feet from the intersections, not 90 (Section 4.08). Rupe noted the Police will check other intersections.

Unlicensed dogs was mentioned, and Leedom said the Police will make contact with pet owners.

Restricting concealed handguns on public property was discussed. Leedom recommended following the State Statute.

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Rupe proceeded to the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Amended Budget agenda items.

Ordinance 2023-4 was introduced by Chair Rupe and is set forth in full as follows, to wit: AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE BUDGET STATEMENT TO BE TERMED THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BILL; TO APPROPRIATE SUMS FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHAIRPERSON AND THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF CERESCO, NEBRASKA.

Section 1. That after complying with all procedures required by law, the amended budget presented and set forth in the budget statement is hereby approved as the Annual Appropriation Bill for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023. All sums of money contained in the amended budget statement are hereby appropriated for the necessary expenses and liabilities of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska. A copy of the amended budget document shall be forwarded as provided by law to the Auditor of Public Accounts, State Capitol, Lincoln, Nebraska, and to the County Clerk of Saunders County, Nebraska, for use by the levying authority.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage, approval, and publication or posting as required by law.

Chairperson Rupe moved that the statutory rules in regard to the passage and adoption of Ordinance 2023-4 be suspended so that said ordinance might be introduced, read by title, and then moved for final passage at the same meeting. Board Member Ruble seconded said motion. The Chairperson put the question and 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 to suspend the rules: Yeas: Rupe, Ruble, Peterson, and Custer. Nays: none.

WHEREUPON, the motion having been carried by affirmative votes of no less than three-fourths (3/4ths) of the total members of the Board, the Chairperson declared the statutory rules in regard to the passage and approval of Ordinance 2023-4 be suspended so that Ordinance No. 2023-4 might be read by title and then moved for final passage at the same meeting.

Chairperson Rupe moved that said Ordinance 2023-4 be approved and passed and its title agreed to. Board Member Custer seconded this motion.

The Chairperson 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, Custer, Ruble, and Peterson. Nays: none. **WHEREUPON, the Chairperson declared said Ordinance 2023-4 of the Village of Ceresco, Saunders County, Nebraska having been read by title, the rules having been suspended, and having been duly approved and its title agreed to by the affirmative vote of no less than a majority of the members of the Board, duly passed and adopted as an Ordinance of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska.**

Rupe proceeded to the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Budget agenda items.

Rupe moved to increase the total restricted funds authority by an additional 1% for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. Ruble seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Ruble, Custer, and Peterson. Nays: none. Motion carried with at least a three-fourths (3/4s) vote.

Ordinance 2023-5 was introduced by Chairperson and is set forth in full as follows, to wit: AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE BUDGET STATEMENT TO BE TERMED THE ANNUAL

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APPROPRIATION BILL; TO APPROPRIATE SUMS FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHAIRPERSON AND THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF CERESCO, NEBRASKA.

Section 1. That after complying with all procedures required by law, the budget presented and set forth in the budget statement is hereby approved as the Annual Appropriation Bill for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024. All sums of money contained in the budget statement are hereby appropriated for the necessary expenses and liabilities of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska. A copy of the budget document shall be forwarded as provided by law to the Auditor of Public Accounts, State Capitol, Lincoln, Nebraska, and to the County Clerk of Saunders County, Nebraska, for use by the levying authority.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage, approval, and publication or posting as required by law.

Chairperson Rupe moved that the statutory rules in regard to the passage and adoption of Ordinance 2023-5 be suspended so that said ordinance might be introduced, read by title, and then moved for final passage at the same meeting. Board Member Peterson seconded said motion. The Chairperson put the question and 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 to suspend the rules: Yeas: Rupe, Peterson, Custer, and Ruble. Nays: none.

WHEREUPON, the motion having been carried by affirmative votes of no less than three-fourths (3/4ths) of the total members of the Board, the Chairperson declared the statutory rules in regard to the passage and approval of Ordinance 2023-5 be suspended so that Ordinance No. 2023-5 might be read by title and then moved for final passage at the same meeting.

Chairperson Rupe moved that said Ordinance 2023-5 be approved and passed and its title agreed to. Board Member Custer seconded this motion.

The Chairperson 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, Custer, Peterson, and Ruble. Nays: none. WHEREUPON, the Chairperson declared said Ordinance 2023-5 of the Village of Ceresco, Saunders County, Nebraska having been read by title, the rules having been suspended, and having been duly approved and its title agreed to by the affirmative vote of no less than a majority of the members of the Board, duly passed and adopted as an Ordinance of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska.

Resolution 2023-9 was introduced by Chairperson Rupe and is set forth in full as follows, to wit: WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1632 and 77-1633 provides that the Governing Body of the Village of Ceresco passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Body of the Village of Ceresco resolves that:

1. The 2023-2024 property tax request be set at:

**General Fund: \$ 200,030.49
Bond Fund: \$ 141,601.00**

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2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by 8.87 percent.
3. The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property would be 0.446053 per \$100 of assessed value.
4. The Village of Ceresco proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be 0.448493 per \$100 of assessed value.
5. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of the Village of Ceresco will increase (or decrease) last year's budget by 8.43 percent.
6. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before October 15, 2023.

WHEREUPON, Chairperson Rupe moved to adopt said Resolution 2023-9 to set the property tax request. Board Member Ruble seconded this motion. No further discussion was required. The Chairperson instructed the Clerk to call the roll and the following was the vote on this motion. Yeas: Rupe, Ruble, Custer, and Peterson. Nays: none. Motion carried.

WHEREUPON, the Chairperson declared that the motion having been approved by a majority of the votes cast, said Resolution 2023-9 is approved and adopted.

Rupe continued with the remaining Regular meeting agenda items.

Employee evaluations will be set after all Board members can review their calendar's.

Rupe reviewed we are still in a drought and need to follow the water restrictions. Flushing hydrants was discussed. Ruble recommended flushing and exercise the valves. It will be Roland's discretion on flushing.

Roland reviewed the new SCADA is in, but the radios are not communicating with well #6, and hopes it will be taken care of soon.

Exercising valves was mentioned. Cost for Nebraska Rural Water to exercise the valves is \$10 a valve. Ogden suggested exercising more valves than just at Archie and Main, and to come up with a system to work around the town.

The well house generator was discussed. Ruble suggested adding a second generator and share the load. Ogden will look into. Roland shared concerns of being without a generator.

Bids from Johnson Service Company for manhole rehab and sewer cleaning were reviewed. Lindgren noted this is the second year of the manhole rehab as part of the 2 & 10 Year Plan.

Rupe moved to approve the Johnson Service Company manhole rehab bid not to exceed the amount of \$18,500.00. Ruble seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Ruble, Custer and Peterson. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Rupe moved to approve the Johnson Service Company sewer cleanout bid not to exceed the amount of \$3,500.00. Ruble seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Ruble, Custer and Peterson. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Roland noted he is waiting for more details on his injury and possible surgery. Rupe requested Gushard to

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learn backup for Roland.

Gushard reviewed concerns of the sidewalk sinking at the corner of Elm and Laura Lane. Discussion held. The guys will keep an eye on it and check for a leak.

Burklund asked to have a hydrant fixed. Discussion held. Roland is still waiting to hear back. Wahoo will be contacted.

Rupe moved to approve the building inspector report as presented. Ruble seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Ruble, Peterson, and Custer. Nays: none. Motion carried.

No update on the drainage near 440 E Elm.

The Zoning Administrator report was reviewed: 1) Planning Commission met on September 19th to discuss storage containers and it was tabled for further review. 2) Planning Commission agreed the Village Board should create the master trail plan committee. Eggleston has been contacted and a meeting will be scheduled. 3) Edwards property sold, and he has plans to build a house in the small corner lot.

Peggy Burnette shared information she received from Alex Duryea who works for the Nebraska Game and Parks regarding the Recreational Trails Program.

Lindgren also noted Hunter's engineer called and they plan to bring the preliminary plat within 2 weeks.

Rupe moved to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Peterson seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Peterson, Ruble, and Custer. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The JEO Claim was reviewed. Custer moved to approve the JEO Claim for \$15,069.50 plus the additional claim of \$11,593.00 for a total of \$26,662.50. Ruble seconded. Voting Yeas: Custer, Ruble, and Peterson. Nays: none. Abstain: Rupe. Motion carried.

Claims were reviewed. Ruble moved to pay the claims as presented. Rupe seconded. Voting Yeas: Ruble, Rupe, Custer, and Peterson. Nays: none. Motion carried. The approved claims are as follows: AFLAC \$490.68/ins; Ameritas Life \$31.44/ins; Applegarth Concrete Construction \$200.00/sew; Aqua-Chem \$146.75/wat; Blue Cross Blue Shield \$3,628.60/ins; Baker & Taylor \$1,406.02/lib; Card Services \$187.94; Carquest Auto Parts \$173.27/sew; Cash \$81.95/gen, sew, st; Ceresco 60+ \$276.00/gen; Circle H Tire \$1,122.00/st; City of Wahoo \$450.00/gen; Bomgaars \$67.17/st, prk; Delta Dental \$158.19/ins; FES \$500.00/gen; FNBO \$403.66/lib; Frontier Coop \$1,270.82/fuel; Gall's \$42.49/pol; Grainger \$444.90/st; ID Label \$178.00/lib; Jackson Services \$234.93/gen, sew, wat, fire, prk, st; Joan Lindgren \$30.00/gen; Lawson Products \$179.21/st; Menards \$409.24/st, prk; Mid America Books \$209.55/lib; Midwest Labs \$231.37/sew; Municipal Supply \$392.40/wat; Municipal Supply of Omaha \$2,304.18/wat; Mutual of Omaha \$103.10/ins; Nebraska Assigned Risk Pool \$47.00/fire; Nebraska Public Health Environmental Lab \$515.00/wat; OPPD \$4,928.49/electric; Otte Oil & Propane \$429.00/propane; Pest Solutions 365 \$60.00/gen; Pumpkin People & Produce \$14.09/lib; Sam's Club \$61.54/gen; Sandy Tvrdy \$325.00/gen; Schutt Electrical \$135.00/gen; Small Engine Specialists \$60.00/prk; Staples \$1,451.62/gen; Ty's Outdoor Power \$401.65/prk; U.S. Post Office \$540.00/wat, sew; Verizon \$178.56/phones; Wahoo-Waverly-Ashland Newspaper \$176.44; Wahoo Auto Parts \$64.19/st, prk; Waste Connections of NE \$5,971.82/trash; Windstream \$472.85/phones; NE Department of Revenue/\$1,092.35/tax, recy; Payroll Liabilities: American Funds Investment \$881.16; NE Department of Revenue \$737.31; United States Treasury \$5,056.46; Payroll \$26,907.64

Maxson noted he is trying to keep the new trees alive.

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No Library report due to postponed meeting.

Custer noted the CYRA requested a pitching clinic on October 14th.

Peterson moved to approve the Fire Department minutes as presented. Rupe seconded. Voting Yeas: Peterson, Rupe, Ruble, and Custer. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The County Radio project and siren issues were mentioned.

The Celebrate Ceresco Days minutes were reviewed. Custer noted plans to host Santa Claus and have a soup supper.

Rupe noted the NRD agreed to the 50/50 cost-share on the stream work, but the bridge work would be paid by the Village. A list of design questions was reviewed. The Committee will review further. The updated cost-opinion was reviewed.

Rupe moved to table the Stream Stabilization Cost Opinion. Peterson seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Peterson, Ruble, and Custer. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Custer noted the Subcommittee for the Interlocal Agreement with the Ceresco Rural Fire District met and prepared an agreement. They are waiting for feedback.

Ogden was present to review the Street Patching and Street Sealing packages. The Street Sealing package is a multi-year agreement, dividing the town over three (3) years: Year 1: North of Main; Year 2: West of 4th; and Year 3: Remaining town.

Rupe moved to approve the Street Sealing to go out for bid, and to include posting in the paper. Peterson seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Peterson, Ruble, and Custer. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Ogden reviewed the Street Patching package is a multi-year on-call agreement over four (4) years. The first year \$25,000.00 was budgeted for Elm Street patching. The Elm Street probable cost is \$25,670.00. Peterson questioned binding another board since this is a 4 year agreement. Ogden noted it is optional annual renewal, and needs to be renegotiated every year because prices change.

Ruble moved to send out for bid for the Street Patching for multi-year, and put in the paper. Custer seconded. Voting Yeas: Ruble, Custer, Rupe and Peterson. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Ogden reviewed an agreement for professional services for the public improvements for Arsen Johnson Addition Plat. The proposed project includes: Completing a Full Topographic Survey, Connecting the Johnson Lots to the existing water main system, Connecting the Johnson Lots to the existing sanitary sewer system, Paving Ash Street to the west of 4th Street to connect driveway to the west and providing a temporary turnaround, with Curb and Gutter, as necessary. The cost to provide Design and Bidding phase services is \$74,790. Arsen Johnson was present and felt the price was too high. Arnie Lowell asked if the property could be split into 4 lots, since the 5th lot isn't usable. Paving the street was discussed. Lindgren suggested having a meeting with the attorney, engineer, Lowell and Johnson. Rupe will also be contacted for the meeting.

Ogden reviewed the final plan for the well project are being put together, and noted the chemicals are being stored in one building and causing corrosion to the equipment.

Ogden asked about scheduling the marking of the T-Posts on the back property lines (north) in the Hunter Subdivision. She also reviewed a drainage issue along Pine Street, and asked about shooting the culverts at

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the same time the T-Posts are installed. Ogden will make a note for future development. The Board agreed the property owners should be responsible for marking their property.

Ogden reviewed she has been in contact with ME Collins to reseed areas that didn't grow along the 3rd Street Project. She also questioned giving a water credit to residents who have been watering to establish the grass seed. A list of property owner overages will be prepared.

The Audit Services Agreement was reviewed.

Rupe moved to approve the Audit Services Agreement in the amount of \$11,900. Custer seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Custer, Ruble, and Peterson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

WHEREUPON, the Chair announced that the introduction of Resolutions was now in order.

Resolution 2023-8, a Proclamation for Tree City USA was introduced by Chairperson Rupe and is set forth in full as follows, to wit:

WHEREAS in 1872, the Nebraska Board of Agriculture established a special day to be set aside for the planting of trees, and

WHEREAS this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and

WHEREAS Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and

WHEREAS trees can be a solution to combating climate change by reducing the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cutting heating and cooling costs, moderating the temperature, cleaning the air, producing life-giving oxygen, and providing habitat for wildlife, and

WHEREAS trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires, and countless other wood products, and

WHEREAS trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and

WHEREAS trees – wherever they are planted – are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Antonia Rupe, Chair of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, do hereby proclaim April 26, 2024 as ARBOR DAY In the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and

FURTHER I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and Promote the well-being of this and future generations.

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WHEREUPON, Chairperson Rupe moved that said Resolution No. 2023-8 be approved. Board Member Custer seconded this motion. No further discussion was required.

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, Custer, Peterson, and Ruble. Nays: none.

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared that the Motion having been approved by a majority of the votes cast, said Resolution 2023-8 is approved and adopted.

Resolution 2023-10, to Approve the Master Fee Schedule Pertaining to Sewer Costs was introduced by Chairperson Rupe and is set forth in full as follows, to wit:

WHEREAS, the Village of Ceresco, Saunders County, Nebraska has adopted a Municipal Code, as revised and amended from time to time, to provide for rules and regulations within the municipality and within its one mile zoning jurisdiction to promote the health, safety and general well-being of its inhabitants, and,

WHEREAS, the Village of Ceresco Municipal Code Book, contain rules and regulations regarding licenses, fees and permits for various processes, procedures, and activities, and,

WHEREAS, the Trustees of the Village of Ceresco has the authority to set the amount of all fees required for issuance of the licenses, permits, and other activities pursuant to the rules and regulations set out in the Municipal Code, the Zoning and Subdivision Regulations of the Village of Ceresco, Saunders County, Nebraska in a Master Fee Schedule, and,

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, to amend the Master Fee Schedule pertaining to FEES and UTILITIES of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the Board of Trustees of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, as follows:

1. That the findings here and above made should be and are hereby made a part of this Resolution as if fully set out at length herein.
2. That the Master Fee Schedule pertaining to Utility Costs shall be amended as follows:

TABLE OF RATES – SEWER
PER MONTH

Minimum Charge Schedule – There shall be a minimum water use base charge per month to each consumer of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, which shall be determined by the size of the consumer's meter. Pursuant with Section 7-105, rates paid by rural users shall be 120% of the Rate established for residential users. Rates shall be as follows:

Section I
Residential

A.	Customer Service Base Charge:	\$28.50 \$31.00
B.	Volume Rate Charge:	\$4.45 \$4.85 per 1,000 gallons of average water usage for months of December, January, and February

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Section II
Non-Residential

A.	Customer Service Base Charge: (Commercial)		
1.	¾ inch water meter	\$28.50	<u>\$31.00</u>
2.	1 inch water meter	\$29.75	<u>\$32.40</u>
3.	1 ½ inch water meter	\$34.50	<u>\$37.60</u>
4.	2 inch water meter	\$41.10	<u>\$44.72</u>
5.	3 inch water meter	\$47.40	<u>\$51.60</u>
6.	4 inch water meter or larger	\$60.00	<u>\$65.30</u>
B.	Volume Rate Charge:	\$4.45	\$4.85 per 1,000 gallons of average water usage for months of December, January, and February

The Water and Sewer Utility Fees commenced on October 1, 2022 in accordance with the passage of Ordinance 2021-3, and takes effect on the November 5, 2023 utility bills.

WHEREUPON, Chairperson Rupe moved that said Resolution No. 2023-10 be approved. Board Member Ruble seconded this motion. No further discussion was required.

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, Ruble, Custer, and Peterson. Nays: none.

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared that the Motion having been approved by a majority of the votes cast, said Resolution 2023-10 is approved and adopted.

Resolution 2023-11, to Post a Fire Department Sign was introduced by Chairperson Rupe and is set forth in full as follows, to wit:

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska has enacted a Municipal Code, and,

WHEREAS, Section 4-110 of the Municipal Code of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, provides, in part, as follows:

“The Village Board may by resolution provide for the placing of stop signs or other signs, signals, standards, or mechanical devices in any street or alley under the village’s jurisdiction for the purpose of regulating or prohibiting traffic thereon.”

and,

WHEREAS, the Chairman and Board of Trustees of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, as the Village of Ceresco’s Governing Body, do desire to adopt this resolution providing for the addition of traffic control markings on the northeast corner of Beech street and 2nd street, one (1) fire station sign.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Chairman and Board of Trustees of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, as follows:

Section 1. That the finding hereinabove made should be and are hereby made a part of this Resolution as fully as if set out in length herein.

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Section 2. That the following traffic control markings, for the purpose of regulating parking, twenty four (24) hours per day, every day of the year, shall be placed in the following locations, to wit:

- a. **2nd street from Beech street to Spruce street a fire station area notifying the public of emergency vehicles entering and leaving**

Section 3. That all traffic control markings pursuant to this Resolution, shall conform to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, adopted by the Nebraska Department of Roads, together with any supplements adopted thereto by the Nebraska Department of Roads.

Section 4. That authorized personnel of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, are hereby authorized to make traffic control markings for the implementation of the above and to provide for its enforcement upon the erection of said traffic control devices.

Section 5. That this Resolution shall be effective as of the date hereof, and the erection of said traffic control devices, and shall remain in full force and effect until the revocation of this Resolution and/or the removal of said traffic control markings.

WHEREUPON, Board Member Ruble moved that said Resolution No. 2023-11 be approved as presented. Chairperson Rupe seconded this motion. No further discussion was required.

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: Ruble, Rupe, Custer, and Peterson. Nays: none.

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared that the Motion having been approved by a majority of the votes cast, said Resolution 2023-11 is approved and adopted.

Mitch Estrada and Larry Wendt were present to request vacating the Archie Street right-of-way west of 500 Archie Street. Ogden noted we need to make sure there are no public utilities, otherwise an easement needs to be maintained. Discussion held. Utilities will be checked.

Rupe moved to approve the Special Designated Liquor License request for October 22nd from 1 PM to 4 PM, on the outdoor lot of Ernie's in Ceresco, including the adjacent portion of the street right-of-way along Beech Street used for parking. Peterson seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Peterson, Custer, and Ruble. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Rupe moved to approve the Delta Dental insurance as presented. Ruble seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Ruble, Custer, and Peterson. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Maxson questioned the watering schedule with the repair of the ballfield. He will contact Roland.

Don Hamilton was present to offer grant writing assistance. He will contact Lindgren tomorrow.

Peterson moved to adjourn the Regular meeting at 7:58 PM. Ruble seconded. Voting Yeas: Peterson, Ruble, Custer, and Rupe. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Antonia Rupe, Chairperson
Joan Lindgren, Clerk