

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SPECIAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2020

Peterson called the Special Meeting to order at 4:00 PM. Board members had been given the agenda and supporting documents. Notices were posted at the Village Office, Ceresco Post Office, and CerescoBank. Peterson pointed out the Open Meeting Law Act posted on the wall of the Community Room. Answering roll call: Peterson, Hartshorn, Custer and Rupe. Also present: Jody Anderson and Joan Lindgren.

Jody Anderson was present for her employee evaluation.

Peterson moved to go into executive session for the purpose of employee evaluations. Rupe seconded. Peterson restated that the Board will go into executive session for the purpose of employee evaluations. Voting Yes: Peterson, Rupe, Custer and Hartshorn. No: none. Motion carried.

Peterson stated the Board is entering executive session at 4:03 PM for the purpose of employee evaluations.

Peterson entered Regular session at 4:08 PM from the executive session held for the purpose of employee evaluations.

Discussion was held on purchasing a golf cart/UTV and a spreader/sprayer. This will be reviewed further in the 2020/2021 budget year.

Peterson reviewed that Ed Vitek has turned in his keys. Hiring another part-time employee was discussed. Wahoo, Ashland and Valparaiso will be contacted for water/sewer backup.

WHEREUPON, the Chair announced that the introduction of Resolution 2020-7 was now in order. See attached document.

Custer reviewed questions that needed to be answered prior to approving. 1) On the Resolution 2020-7, it is titled Land and Water Conservation Fund Application FY2019, is that the correct year? *Yes, that is correct. He pulled it from the previous year application and forgot to remove the header.* 2) Next on the Resolution, the third paragraph it says the Village would within 30 days following federal approval, obtain the necessary consultant or appraisal service for this project as directed and as required by Nebraska Game and Parks Commission staff. What exactly does that mean? *It means the city will promptly obtain consultant general contractors through the procurement process for the project.* 3) On the eighth paragraph it says the Village will replace the land in the event of a conversion in use in accordance with Section 6(f)(3) of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, as amended. I'm not sure what this means? *Being a federal grant there are some strings attached and this language references one of the major attached strings. (aka. perpetuity clause). Under the LWCF regulations, any park area acquired or developed with LWCF Act funds will be protected as outdoor recreation use into perpetuity (forever). If there is a change in property ownership or construction that results in the change in use from outdoor recreation use, the city agrees/acknowledges it will replace/mitigate the area affected or changes in outdoor recreational use with another property not already being used a public outdoor recreational use. The park has received LWCF in the past and is already encumbered under LWCF regulations. The park has received funds in the past for three projects: a) Park Development in 1972, b) Tennis Court in 1986, and c) Playground Improvements in 2012.* 4) The last question is how quickly do the funds need to be expended upon receipt of the funds? *The sponsor will have 3 years to complete the project.* Discussion held. Custer will plan to meet with the splash pad committee to review the grant and processes.

WHEREUPON, Board Member Hartshorn moved that said Resolution No. 2020-7 be approved. Chairman Peterson 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: Hartshorn, Peterson, Custer and Rupe. Nays: none.

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared that the Motion having been approved by a majority of the votes cast, said Resolution 2020-7 is approved and adopted.

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Ordinance 2020-8 now comes on for second reading.

WHEREUPON, Board Member Rupe moved that said Ordinance 2020-8 be approved upon its second reading and its title agreed to. Custer 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, Custer, Hartshorn and Peterson. Nays: none

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared said Ordinance 2020-8 be approved on its second reading and its title agreed to and that the third reading of Ordinance 2020-8 be on the next Agenda of a meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Peterson reviewed the article about the McCook waste water treatment plant. Lindgren reviewed Roland and Gushard are scheduled for a free walk through with the Nebraska Safety Council.

Peterson moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:36 PM. Hartshorn seconded. Voting Yes: Peterson, Hartshorn, Custer and Rupe. No: none. Motion carried.

Scott Peterson, Chairman
Joan Lindgren, Clerk