

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING  
JANUARY 16, 2018

**Chairman Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Board members had been given the agenda and supporting documents, and notices were posted at the Village Office, Ceresco Post Office, and CerescoBank. Nelson pointed out the Open Meeting Law Act posted on the wall in the Community Building. Nelson also noted that each agenda item is kept to 15 minutes or less. Answering roll call: Nelson, Peterson, Custer and Sklenar. Absent: Hartshorn. Also present: Eric Beiermann, Brian Ubben, Dan Jackson, Justin Maxson, Steve Anderson, Jody Anderson, Brian Roland and Joan Lindgren.**

**Nelson opened the Public Hearing for the One and Six Year Street Plan at 6:00 PM.**

Eric Beiermann was present to review the 2018 One and Six Year Street Plan. Plans are to work on Main Street first, then the Laura Lane and Beech Street project. Beiermann will be contacted prior to the budget for costs. The Board agreed to add Pine Street from Precinct Road to Laura Lane to the six year plan. Discussion held.

Projects on the One Year Plan include 1) Main Street from 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to the west edge of the bridge located east of 1<sup>st</sup> Street. 2) Intersection of Beech Street and Laura Lane and then south on Laura Lane for approximately 200' - exact length to be determined by Engineer and Village.

Projects on the Six Year Plan include 1) Second Street from Elm Street to Pine Street. 2) Second Street from Elm Street to Beech Street. 3) Second Street from Park Street to Cameron Street. 4) Archie Street from Main Street to Park Street. 5) 4<sup>th</sup> Street from Pine Street to Ash Street. 6) Pine Street from Precinct Road to Laura Lane.

**Peterson moved to close the Public Hearing for the One and Six Year Street Plan at 6:13 PM. Nelson seconded. Voting Yes: Peterson, Nelson, Custer and Sklenar. No: none. Motion carried.**

**WHEREUPON, the Chairman announced that the introduction of Resolution 2018-1 was now in order.**

**Resolution 2018-1 was introduced by Chairman Nelson and is set forth in full as follows, to wit: WHEREAS, The Village of Ceresco, Nebraska has conducted a public hearing in accordance with the requirements of the Board of Public Roads Classification and Standards, NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Chairperson and Village Board that the One and Six Year Plan for streets as presented at said public hearing has been accepted and approved.**

**WHEREUPON, Chairman Nelson moved that said Resolution No. 2018-1 be approved as presented. Board Member Sklenar seconded this motion.**

**The Chairman instructed the Clerk to call the roll and the following was the vote on this motion. Yeas: Nelson, Sklenar, Custer and Peterson. No: none. Motion carried.**

**WHEREUPON, the Chairman declared that the Motion having been approved by a majority of the votes cast, said Resolution 2018-1 is approved and adopted.**

Nelson moved to the Regular meeting items.

**Nelson moved to approve the meeting minutes for December 19<sup>th</sup> as presented. Peterson seconded. Voting Yes: Nelson, Peterson, Custer and Sklenar. No: none. Motion carried.**

**Peterson moved to approve the December 28<sup>th</sup> minutes. Custer seconded. Voting Yes: Peterson, Custer, Sklenar and Nelson. No: none. Motion carried.**

**Nelson moved to approve the letter agreement for professional services from Olsson Associates. Peterson seconded. Voting Yes: Nelson, Peterson, Custer and Sklenar. No: none. Motion carried.**



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Roland reviewed. 1) Box blade needs to be repaired. 2) Snow removal. 3) 2 & 10 Year Plan.

Bridge signage was discussed. The clerk reviewed a request from the Co-op to look into increasing the tonnage on the south bridge. An inspection will be needed along with an engineering study. The Board agreed to wait on the study until after the inspection.

Nelson reviewed a bid from Hofeling Enterprises to haul away and chip the tree pile for \$3,900.00. The agreement with Liberty Lawn currently includes two chemical applications worth \$3,800.00 in exchange for use of the compost site. Nelson will contact Doug McIntosh with Liberty Lawn to discuss possibilities of sharing in the cost of chipping instead of the chemical applications. The Village now has the equipment to apply chemical applications. Burning the compost site was discussed. If McIntosh is in agreement with the chipping, Hofeling Enterprises will be contacted.

Nelson reviewed Chase Herrick no longer wishes to be an employee for the Village of Ceresco. **Nelson moved to terminate Chase Herrick's employment with the Village of Ceresco. Peterson seconded. Voting Yes: Nelson, Peterson, Custer and Sklenar. No: none. Motion carried.**

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. The clerk noted the general fund is low and \$50,000 will need to be transferred from the sales tax fund to the general fund, and another \$50,000 will probably be needed for the purchase of the truck.

**Peterson moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Nelson seconded. Voting Yes: Peterson, Nelson, Custer and Sklenar. No: none. Motion carried.**

Claims were reviewed. **Nelson moved to approve the claims as presented. Peterson seconded. Voting Yes: Nelson, Peterson, Custer and Sklenar. No: None. Motion carried.** The approved claims are as follows: A-Team Pest Control \$60.00/pest control; AFLAC \$469.68/insurance; Ameritas Life \$51.78/ins; Aqua-Chem \$140.00/wat; Blue Cross & Blue Shield \$2,605.44/health ins; Blue360 Media \$67.25/pol; Bromm, Lindahl, ET AL \$304.50/gen; Carmel Most \$74.02/lib; Ceresco 60+ \$115.50/reimbursement; CerescoBank Insurance \$225.00/gen; Baker & Taylor \$85.08/lib; Barnes & Noble \$114.40/lib; Ceresco Volunteer Fire Dept \$100.32/fire; Cornhusker Press \$170.80/gen; Delta Dental \$228.65/insurance; Dennis Johnson Enterprise \$6,790.25/rock/demo; Erickson & Brooks \$8,850.00/audit; Frontier Coop \$635.64/fuel; Interstate All Battery Center \$9.80/gen; Jackson Services \$130.98/uniforms & mats; JEO \$2,750.00/zoning; Krauter-Bosn \$252.60/sew; Menards \$274.35/st; Midwest Laboratories \$186.70/sew; Office Depot \$214.98/gen One Call Concepts \$12.48/wat, sew; OPPD \$5,148.38/electricity; Otte Oil & Propane \$1,966.14/gen, fire, wat, st; Raymond Central Public Schools \$20.00/tob lic; Sam's Club \$81.68/lib; Sandy Tvrdy \$215.00/janitor; U.S. Post Office \$234.00/postage; USA Blue Book \$177.09/sew; Utility Services \$7,500.00/well maint; Verizon \$139.25/phones; Wahoo Newspaper \$134.73/gen; Waste Connections \$4,504.81/gar; Windstream \$373.36/phones; Zee Medical Service \$57.20/st, gen, sew; Transfer from Sales Tax to General \$50,000.00; American Funds Investment \$713.38; Payroll Liabilities: Nebraska Department of Revenue \$320.75; United States Treasury \$8,962.46; Other Payroll Liabilities \$727.40; Payroll \$15,337.22

**Nelson moved to approve the Library Report as presented. Sklenar seconded. Voting Yes: Nelson, Sklenar, Custer and Peterson. No: none. Motion carried.**

The clerk reviewed a request from the Library Board to obtain a credit card for the Librarian's use, so she doesn't have to use her own money and be reimbursed. The Library Board approved a card with a limit of \$250.00. The Village currently has a credit card that can have a secondary user with its own limit. The total account limit will stay the same. **Nelson moved to approve the Library to have Carmel Most hold a credit card for the Library with a limit of \$250.00. Custer seconded. Voting Yes: Nelson, Custer and Sklenar. No: Peterson. Motion carried.**



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Anderson shared the Police Report. A driver on the wrong side of Highway 77 was discussed. Anderson will be out of town for the next board meeting. It was noted that the garage door hasn't been repaired. Anderson requested salt/sand to be placed in front of the police garage when it is icy.

Three bids for mill and overlay on Main Street were reviewed and discussed. It was agreed to contact the two companies that submitted a 2" asphalt overlay for an increase to 3" for the February meeting.

Justin Maxson reviewed the MFO money will be spent on some tools that have been ordered. Discussion was held on the Emergency Preparedness Committee. Maxson noted he was in contact with Terri Miller the Saunders County Emergency Manager, and Yutan, Mead and Wahoo have tried it to have meetings, but it didn't go very well. Maxson stated he would be willing to meet with the Board once a month, and Terri Miller would be willing to come to a meeting, also. Putting together a book of contacts, with maps of hydrants and water mains, etc was mentioned.

Nelson reviewed suggestions for a permit policy for driveways without curb and gutter.

The phone system with Verizon and an Amazon account was mentioned. A business tax exempt account with Amazon will be created.

Brian Ubben was present to review the building inspector report and a letter from an engineer regarding Hector Pelayo's deck.

**Custer moved to allow Lindgren to attend the quarterly clerk's association meeting with a meal provided. Sklenar seconded. Voting Yes: Custer, Sklenar, Nelson and Peterson. No: none. Motion carried.**

**WHEREUPON, the Chairman announced that the introduction of Resolution 2018-2 was now in order for keno.**

**Resolution 2018-2 was introduced by Chairman Nelson and is set forth in full as follows, to wit: BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska (the "Village") as follows:**

**Section 1. The Board of Trustees find and determines that:**

**(a) the Village of Ceresco will submit at the next statewide regular election the question to the qualified electors of the Village of whether or not to lawfully conduct a lottery pursuant to the Nebraska County and City Lottery Act (Neb. Rev. Stat. §9-601 to 9-653) for community betterment purposes, and,**

**(b) there has not been submitted to the electors of the Village within the last twenty- four (24) months the question of whether or not the Village should conduct a lottery pursuant to the Nebraska County and City Lottery Act.**

**Section 2. An election is hereby called to be held in conjunction with the next statewide regular election to be held on Tuesday, May 8, 2018, at which there shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the Village the following proposition:**

**"Shall the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, be authorized to conduct a lottery pursuant to Nebraska County and City Lottery Act?**

Yes

No

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**Section 3.** If a majority of the votes cast upon such question shall be in favor of this question, then the Board of Trustees of the Village shall be empowered to allocate the monies raised by said lottery for community betterment as defined in Neb. Rev. Stat. §9-604. If a majority of the votes cast upon such question shall be opposed to the Village conducting a lottery pursuant to the Nebraska County and City Lottery Act, then the Board of Trustees of the Village shall not conduct said lottery in the Village pursuant to the Nebraska County and City Lottery Act.

**Section 4.** Notice of said election shall be given to the qualified electors of said Village by publication at least one (1) time each week for three (3) successive weeks prior to such election and a copy of the sample ballot shall be published one (1) time not more than ten (10) days nor less than three (3) days prior to the election, such notice and sample ballot to be published in the Wahoo Newspaper, a newspaper printed and of general circulation in said Village, and the Village Clerk of the Village be and hereby is directed to cause such notice and sample ballot to be published.

**Section 5.** The Village Clerk of the Village shall be and hereby is authorized and directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the Clerk of Saunders County (the "Election Commissioner"), who shall designate the polling places, appoint the election officials and otherwise conduct the election as provided by law. The Village does hereby agree to reimburse said Election Commissioner for the expenses of conducting the election. As required by Section 32-802, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, as amended, the Election Commissioner shall provide for publication of the Notice of Election in a newspaper designated by the Election Commissioner no later than forty (40) days prior to the day of said election and such notice shall be posted in the office of the Election Commissioner no later than forty (40) days prior to such date of election.

**Section 6.** The form of ballot and form of notice of said election shall be substantially in the form submitted at this meeting, a copy of which forms shall be made a part of the Minutes. The Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed, in conjunction with the Election Commissioner conducting the election, to arrange for the printing of the necessary ballots for said election and to do all other things and take all other action appropriate or necessary in order to cause said proposition to be submitted to the qualified electors of the Village as above provided.

WHEREUPON, Chairman Nelson moved that Resolution No. 2018-2 be approved for the election for Keno on Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. Board Member Peterson seconded this motion. The Chair then inquired if any further discussion was required.

The Chairman instructed the Clerk to call the roll and the following was the vote on this motion.  
Yeas: Nelson, Peterson, Custer and Sklenar. No: none. Motion carried.

WHEREUPON, the Chairman declared that the Motion having been approved by a majority of the votes cast, said Resolution 2018-2 is approved and adopted.

Jody Anderson was present to request street closing for Ceresco Days and the liquor license.

Custer moved to approve the Ceresco Days Association closing the street on Elm Street from 1<sup>st</sup> Street to Jan Mumm's Office (116 W Elm) from 3 PM to 1 AM on Friday, July 6<sup>th</sup> and from noon to 1 AM on Saturday, July 7<sup>th</sup>. Peterson seconded. Voting Yes: Custer, Peterson, Sklenar and Nelson. No: none. Motion carried.

Nelson moved to approve the liquor license for the Ceresco Days Association for July 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. Peterson seconded. Voting Yes: Nelson, Peterson, Custer and Sklenar. No: none. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed increasing water and sewer rates. The Board agreed to have the Nebraska Rural Water Association contacted for a new rate study.



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The Board discussed spending limit policies for all departments, as recommended by the accountant. **Nelson moved to form a Purchasing Process Subcommittee of Custer and Hartshorn. Peterson seconded. Voting Yes: Nelson, Peterson, Custer and Sklenar. No: none. Motion carried.**

The purchase order policy was tabled.

**Nelson moved to approve the Chairman Pro Tempore to also be included on the check signature authorization for the Village. Custer seconded. Voting Yes: Nelson, Custer and Sklenar. No: none. Abstain: Peterson. Motion carried.**

Direct deposit for payroll was discussed. Nelson will contact Sharon Konecky at CerescoBank to discuss costs.

**Peterson moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 PM. Sklenar seconded. Voting Yes: Peterson, Sklenar Custer and Nelson. No: none. Motion carried.**

Spencer Nelson, Chairman  
Joan Lindgren, Clerk