

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 17, 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 Eggleston. Ruble entered the meeting at 6:18 PM. Also present: Doug Wilson, Austin Anderson, Kyle Sabatka, Dave Burklund, Grayce Burpee, Zoe Randall, Brock Skeahan, Logan Bryce, McKay Bryce, Noah Thornburg, Jack Henry, Connor Burch, Julianna Peterson, Havannah Stockton, Connor Kreikemeier, Andrew Otto, Travis Nelson, Lynn Maxson, Steve Anderson, Brian Roland, PJ Hass and Joan Lindgren.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Eggleston moved to approve the July 20, 2021 minutes as presented. Ubben seconded. Voting Yes: Eggleston, Ubben, Custer and Rupe. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Eggleston moved to approve the August 10, 2021 minutes as presented. Rupe seconded. Voting Yes: Eggleston, Rupe, Ubben and Custer. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Doug Wilson was present to request the addition of the Waffle Man to the food vendor schedule for a Saturday breakfast and lunch. Discussion held.

Rupe moved to approve the addition of the Waffle Man to the Ceresco food vendor schedule from August until the end of October. Eggleston seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Eggleston, Custer and Ubben. No: none. Motion carried.

Kyle Sabatka was present to discuss the drainage at 300 W Beech Street. Discussion held. The Board agreed to have Julie Ogden with JEO, who is the Village's Street Superintendent, look at the area for recommendation.

Ordinances 7-308, 7-313, and 7-314 regarding the replacement of water meters were reviewed. Discussion held. The Board agreed to send letters to property owners needing to replace meters.

Repairing the floor drain in the women's restroom was discussed. The Board agreed to get bids for the repair.

Roland shared his report and reviewed 1) A sewer main plug at 7th & Beech. 2) Manholes should be fixed. 3) Women's restroom at the park has been fixed. 4) Hunter Addition issues.

Posting for a full time position to assist Roland was discussed. The Board agreed to post for the position.

Anderson reviewed the police car is still out due to bad lifters.

Eggleston will plan to attend the Crime Stopper meeting Thursday morning.

Selling the 2006 police car was discussed. The Board agreed to sell the car. Ubben will purchase and install a new battery to get it moved.

Anderson noted that LB151 has passed and takes effect in 2023. Anderson will work with the Saunders County Sheriff.

Dave Burklund was present and complained that nothing has been done with junk vehicles, unlicensed vehicles and parked trailers and campers. Letters will be sent out to violators.

Ubben moved to accept and approve the Building Inspector Report. Ruble seconded. Voting Yes: Ubben, Ruble, Eggleston, Custer and Rupe. No. None. Motion carried.

Lindgren reviewed a concern from the owner of 113 Precinct Road regarding the Subdivision requirements to combine the lots to build on the property. Discussion held. The Board asked that other towns be contacted

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regarding their processes.

An email from Christopher Cantrell, a State Fire Marshal, was reviewed and clarified that no state permit is required for a 1 or 2 family residential propane tank. The propane permit from Mark Nelson was reviewed.

Ubben moved to approve the propane permit for Mark Nelson at 304 Park Street. Ruble seconded. Voting Yes: Ubben, Ruble, Eggleston, Rupe and Custer. No: none. Motion carried.

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

Custer moved to approve the JEO claim for \$700. Eggleston seconded. Voting Yes: Custer, Eggleston, Ruble and Ubben. No: none. Abstain: Rupe. Motion carried.

Claims were reviewed. **Rupe moved to approve the claims as presented. Custer seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Custer, Ruble, Eggleston and Ubben. No: None. Motion carried.** The approved claims are as follows: AFLAC \$268.92/insurance; Ameritas Life \$24.35/ins; Aqua-Chem \$110.47/wat; Brenda Walsh \$75.00/refund; Carquest Auto Parts \$229.97/st; Ceresco 60+ \$180.00/gen; Baker & Taylor \$311.42/lib; Bomgaars \$185.91/st; Delta Dental \$136.50/ins; Don's Pioneer Uniforms \$54.99/pol; Eakes Office Solutions \$136.81/gen; First Bankcard \$253.01/lib, st, prk; Frontier Coop \$1,008.57/fuel; Jackson Services \$138.79 uniforms & mats; Johnson Service Co \$3,546.60/sew; Kiner Supply \$109.51/gen; League of NE Municipalities Utilities Section \$513.00/wat/sew; League of NE Municipalities \$2,384.00/gen; Menards \$386.61/st, prk, lib, sew; Midwest Laboratories \$196.33/sew; Mumm Heating & Cooling \$439.71/fire; Municipal Supply \$3,994.31/wat; Municipal Supply of Omaha \$2,244.66/sew, wat; Nebraska Municipal Clerks' Association \$35.00/gen; Nebraska Sports \$34.75/prk; OPPD \$4,733.30/electric; Orkin \$80.00/prk; Platte Valley Equipment \$119.28/prk; Raymond Central Public School \$670.00/gen; Sam's Club \$116.46/lib, pol; Sandy Tvrdy \$340.00/gen; Simons Home Store \$27.47/gen/prk; Ty's Outdoor Power \$9.84/prk; US Post Office \$199.00/wat, sew, gen; USA Blue Book \$647.25/sew, wat; Utility Services \$3,567.43/wat; Vasa Construction \$11,271.60/st; Verizon \$173.40/phones; Vermeer High Plains \$76.99/prk; Wahoo/Waverly Adv \$127.53/gen; Wahoo Concrete \$272.00/st; Wahoo Metal \$220.06/sew/st; Waste Connections \$6,445.18/trash; Windstream \$405.62/phones; Liabilities: American Funds \$559.52; Nebraska Department of Revenue \$648.55; United States Treasury \$4,851.88; Payroll \$17,327.97

Eggleston moved to approve the Library minutes from July 21. Custer seconded. Voting Yes: Eggleston, Custer, Ruble, Ubben and Rupe. No: None. Motion carried.

An Agreement with JEO for engineering services for a Splash pad was reviewed. Assistance with grant writing for the large public grants will be at no costs to the Village. PJ Hass was present to review his meeting with Vortex. It was noted the plans would not include an underground storage tank for watering the ballfield.

Ubben moved to enter into the Agreement with JEO for engineering services for a Splash pad. Ruble seconded. Voting Yes: Ubben, Ruble, Eggleston and Custer. No: none. Abstain: Rupe. Motion carried.

Continuing the mole treatment with Orkin for next year was reviewed. Maxson noted there are more moles. Lindgren has been in contact with Orkin regarding the additional moles. The bid from Orkin will remain the same at \$80.00 a month from March to October, 2022.

Ubben moved to extend the mole treatment with Orkin for another year. Eggleston seconded. Voting Yes: Ubben, Eggleston, Rupe, Custer and Ruble. No: none. Motion carried.

Ubben reviewed 1) New outside LED light fixture installed on main Maintenance Shop. 2) Dustin replaced Women's restroom faucet in Village Office building. 3) Brian Roland and Taylor Sewer repaired a main sewer blockage. 4) Many other miscellaneous projects completed around the Village, etc.

Ruble reviewed the estimated cost for a push button solar sign for a cross walk is \$500 to \$1,000. This doesn't

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include painting the street.

Lindgren reviewed a new chrome book for \$179.00 was purchased for Ruble to use for meetings. A policy will be prepared for use. Also, the attorney has suggested each Board member have a work email through Ceresco. Hartshorn can set these up at no cost.

Lindgren updated the Board that negotiations are moving forward for the cell tower.

Lindgren requested a new checking account be opened for the American Rescue Plan Act funds.

Rupe moved to approve the opening of a checking account for the American Rescue Plan Act funds. Custer seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Custer, Ubben, Ruble and Eggleston. No: none. Motion carried.

Rupe moved to renew Kaspersky security. Ruble seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Ruble, Custer, Ubben and Eggleston. No: none. Motion carried.

Bridge repair was tabled.

Ordinance 2021-3 now comes on for second reading. AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF CERESCO, SAUNDERS COUNTY, NEBRASKA, TO ESTABLISH, PURSUANT TO SECTION 7-105 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF CERESCO, SAUNDERS COUNTY, NEBRASKA, ENACTED PURSUANT TO THE GENERAL RECODIFICATION ORDINANCE NO. 2016-2 OF THE VILLAGE OF CERESCO, SAUNDERS COUNTY, NEBRASKA A TABLE OF RATES – WATER, PER MONTH, AND A TABLE OF RATES – SEWER, PER MONTH FOR ALL WATER AND SEWER UTILITY CONSUMERS OF THE VILLAGE OF CERESCO, NEBRASKA.

WHEREUPON, Chairperson Rupe moved that said Ordinance 2021-3 be approved upon its second reading and its title agreed to. Eggleston 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, Eggleston, Ubben, Custer and Ruble. Nays: none

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared said Ordinance 2021-3 be approved on its second reading and its title agreed to and that the third reading of Ordinance 2021-3 be on the next Agenda of a meeting of the Board of Trustees.

The Board agreed to post a public announcement regarding the water and sewer rate increase.

WHEREUPON, the Chair announced that the introduction of Resolution 2021-6 was now in order.

Resolution 2021-6 was introduced by Chairperson Rupe and is set forth in full as follows, to wit:

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2115, 39-2119, 39-2120, 39-2121, and 39-2520(2), requires an annual certification of program compliance to the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards; and

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statute, section 39-2120 also requires that the annual certification of program compliance by each municipality shall be signed by the Mayor or Village Board Chairperson and shall include the resolution of the governing body of the municipality authorizing the signing of the certification.

WHEREUPON, Board Member Ubben moved that said Resolution 2021-6 be approved. Board Member Rupe seconded this motion. No further discussion was required.

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

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared that the Motion having been approved by a majority of the votes cast, said Resolution 2021-6 is approved and adopted.

WHEREUPON, the Chair announced that the introduction of Resolution 2021-7 was now in order.

Resolution 2021-7 was introduced by Chairperson Rupe. A Resolution On Acquisition Or Development For Outdoor Recreation.

WHEREUPON, Board Member Eggleston moved that said Resolution No. 2021-7 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: Eggleston, Ruble, Custer, Ubben and Rupe. Nays: none.

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared that the Motion having been approved by a majority of the votes cast, said Resolution 2021-7 is approved and adopted.

Custer moved that Rupe and Lindgren attend the annual conference of the League of Nebraska Municipalities. Ubben seconded. Voting Yes: Custer, Ubben, Ruble, Eggleston and Rupe. No: none. Motion carried.

Scheduling employee evaluations was tabled to the September meeting.

Rupe reminded the Board that no more than two Board members should meet together at one time.

Rupe moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 PM. Custer seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Custer, Ruble, Eggleston and Ubben. No: none. Motion carried.

Antonia Rupe, Chair
Joan Lindgren, Clerk