

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
PUBLIC HEARING/SPECIAL MEETING/BUDGET WORKSHOP  
AUGUST 23, 2021

**Ubben called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM. Board members had been given the agenda and supporting documents. Notices were posted at the Village Office, Ceresco Post Office, and Ceresco Bank. Ubbe pointed out the Open Meeting Law Act posted on the wall in the Community Room. Answering roll call: Eggleston, Ruble, Custer and Ubbe. Absent: Rupe. Also present: Dave Burklund, Kent Speicher and Joan Lindgren.**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Ubbe opened the Public Hearing to consider a request for a Text Amendment to the Transitional Agriculture District, Specifically the Side Yard Setback for an Accessory Building at 6:04 PM.**

Dave Burklund was present to review his request for a text amendment to the side yard setback for an accessory building in the Transitional Agriculture District. He noted the Planning Commission approved a 10 foot side yard setback to match the 10 foot rear setback. Lindgren reviewed setbacks for several communities, which range from 10, 15, 20, 25 and 50 foot side setbacks in agriculture districts.

**Ubbe moved to close the public hearing at 6:11 PM. Eggleston seconded. Voting Yes: Ubbe, Eggleston, Ruble and Custer. No: none. Motion carried.**

Lindgren reviewed the Planning Commission recommendation is to amend the side yard setback to 10 feet, so it matches the rear yard setback of 10 feet.

**Ruble moved to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission for the side yard setback change from 25 feet to 10 feet. Eggleston seconded. Voting Yes: Ruble, Eggleston, Custer and Ubbe. No: none. Motion carried.**

Lindgren reviewed that Burklund is requesting a waiver of the fee for the text amendment since the codes were just adopted a year ago, and we knew things would come up. Ubbe said it would be appropriate to waive the fee in this case. He personally doesn't think one individual should not have to bear that fee by themselves.

**Eggleston moved to waive the fee of \$150 for the zoning text amendment. Ruble seconded. Voting Yes: Eggleston, Ruble, Custer and Ubbe. No: none. Motion carried.**

Ubbe moved to the Special Meeting items.

Kent Speicher with Erickson & Brooks was present to review the 2021-2022 budget worksheets. Speicher noted with all the requested 2021-22 budget items, he comes up short in the general fund. He suggested 1) Taking money from the utility funds. 2) Lower bond fund levy and increase the general fund levy. 3) The unused budget authority is \$88,945. With the 2.5% increase by law, and the additional 1% increase, the restricted funds are at \$549,689. The valuation increased from \$58,138,297 to \$60,316,725. A 1% increase generates only \$1,500. The bond fund levy is going down -5.55%, which is strictly based on the bond payment needed. After this year the bond payment drops down about \$70,000. Speicher suggested taking the decrease in the bond fund levy now and move it over to the general fund levy.

Speicher reviewed the budget worksheets. Bonding street projects was discussed. Funds wouldn't need to be transferred from the general budget, if the Village bonded for street projects. Since there is extra funds in Streets, \$27,000 will be transferred to parks for the ballfield project in the current budget. Future development costs were discussed. After much discussion, the Board agreed to bond \$500,000 for street projects, and keep the levy increase at 0%, by moving the 5.55% decrease in the bond fund levy to the general fund levy. The Village's bonding agent, and representatives from Frontier Coop will be contacted to attend the September meeting.

The police fund was reviewed. Speicher recommended moving the \$10,000 for the new police car to the 2021-22 budget, and decreasing the transfer requested from \$52,000 to \$45,000 for the 2021-22 budget.

No change to the fire department and library request. The park fund was increased to an \$82,000 transfer from

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general to allow for the NRD bank project. Building permit fees for water and sewer income will be broken out for connection fees. No change to the water fund expenses. A \$10,000 transfer in from the trash fund was budgeted for sewer income. No change to the sewer fund expenses.

Speicher reviewed the additional 1%, and noted this is the last year for it. ARPA funds were reviewed. Speicher noted the new requirement for clerk's education. The two Budget Hearings are set for Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>.

Lindgren reviewed that Frontier Coop did a check of the propane regulators and a leak was found at the tank east of the fire barn. This has been repaired, but they are suggesting to replace all tank regulators. The Board agreed to table this.

The claim for the two fire department radios was reviewed.

Custer moved to pay the claim to Motorola for the fire department radios for \$11,074.86. Ubben seconded. Voting Yes: Custer, Ubben, Eggleston and Ruble. No: none. Motion carried.

**WHEREUPON**, the Chairman Pro Tempore announced that the introduction of Resolution 2021-8 was now in order and is set forth in full as follows, to wit:

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Ceresco, Saunders County, Nebraska, is the owner of the following described items of personal property to wit:

2006 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor - VIN #2FAHP71W56X154701  
to be sold "as is".

and,

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, does not have a present need to retain title to the above described personal property, and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, have determined that the fair market value of the above described personal property is not greater than \$5,000.00, and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, have determined to sell the above described personal property pursuant to terms and conditions as set forth herein,

**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 apart of this Resolution as fully as if set out at length herein.
2. That the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, shall convey the following personal property, to wit:

2006 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor - VIN #2FAHP71W56X154701  
to be sold "as is".

pursuant to the following terms and conditions, to wit:

- a. That sale of the above described personal property shall be pursuant to sealed bids presented, after notice thereof, to the Clerk of Ceresco, Nebraska, on or before September 20, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.;



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- b. That upon receipt of said bids, and the opening thereof, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, may accept or reject all bids and the bidder of the bid accepted shall thereafter pay to the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, the amount so bid;
- c. Thereafter, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, shall adopt an ordinance approving the sale of the aforementioned personal property to the bidder whose bid has been accepted, as aforementioned;
- d. That after the adoption of said Ordinance, the Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, shall be authorized to prepare and execute a Bill of Sale conveying the aforementioned personal property to the bidder whose bid has been accepted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Clerk of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, shall publish notice of the proposed sale of the above described personal property, and the terms thereof, by the posting of a notice of said sale, and the terms thereof, in three prominent places within the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, for a period of not less than seven (7) days prior to the sale of said real property, after the passage of this Resolution.

**WHEREUPON**, Board Member Eggleston moved that said Resolution No. 2021-8 be approved as presented. Board Member Custer seconded this motion. No further discussion was required.

The Chairman Pro Tempore 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, Custer, Ruble and Ubben. Nays: none.

**WHEREUPON**, the Chairman Pro Tempore declared that the Motion having been approved by a majority of the votes cast, said Resolution 2021-8 is approved and adopted.

It was noted that Village email addresses were issued to each Board Member.

Ubben moved to adjourn at 7:50 PM. Ruble seconded. Voting Yes: Ubben, Ruble, Custer and Eggleston. No: none. Motion carried.

Brian Ubben, Chairman Pro Tempore  
Joan Lindgren, Clerk