VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SPECIAL MEETING
JUNE 2, 2026

Peterson called the Special Meeting to order at 6:30 PM in the Ceresco Community Room. 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, Burklund, Ruble, and Johnson. Absent: Custer. Also present: Al Vacanti, and Joan Lindgren.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Al Vacanti with Vacanti Municipal Consulting Services, LLC was present to discuss strategic planning and grants. Items reviewed: **1)** Mission statement. **2)** Opportunities – new housing. **3)** Ten year vision statement. **4)** SWOT Analysis used - Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats. **5)** Limitations – what will keep us from moving forward. **6)** All done internally, moving forward, and letting everyone speak. **7)** Two year plan of ten year vision statement. **8)** A written report and powerpoint is created with answers to questions. **9)** Good tool for village and a good road map for citizens. Discussion held.

Vacanti reviewed grants and grants he has gotten for other towns. Cost to hire Vacanti to write grants is $60,000 a year for three years. Discussion held.

The Board agreed to consider a strategic planning meeting the end of July into the first part of August, on a Friday. Roland, Gushard, Lowell, and Vacanti will be contacted. Tabled to the June meeting. Ruble noted he will not be at the June meeting.

Well 6 repairs and maintenance was discussed. Johnson asked for the town to keep the motor for refurbishing.

Burklund moved to pay the $24,885 to do the pump repair on well #6. Ruble seconded. Discussion. Peterson noted there could be extra repairs not included. **Voting Yeas: Burklund, Ruble, Johnson, and Peterson. Nays: none. Motion carried.**

Burklund moved to pay the $25,000 to do the rehab on well #6. Ruble seconded. Voting Yeas: Burklund, Ruble, Johnson, and Peterson. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Burklund questioned insurance for Well 7. Johnson asked about keeping the pump and motor. Discussion held. Johnson will contact Roland.

Sidewalk construction was discussed. Johnson reviewed he spoke with Jessie at Frontier and they will pay $2,050 for half the sidewalk cost. Burklund plans to get another quote tomorrow. Discussion held.

Johnson moved to approve the bid for the 1st & Elm sidewalk with rebar with A&H Concrete for $4,100, split with Frontier Coop, we pay $2,050, and they pay $2,050. Peterson seconded. Discussion held. **Voting Yeas: Johnson and Peterson. Nays: Burklund and Ruble. Motion failed.**

Ruble moved to allow the Maintenance Subcommittee to approve the sidewalk repair on 1st & Elm, contingent on if the second bids comes through or not, with Coop paying for half. Peterson seconded. Voting Yeas: Ruble, Peterson, Johnson, and Burklund. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Discussion held on the extension of Main Street sidewalk. There are concerns of the Hunter Subdivision sidewalk being built below the curb height. There are also concerns of the sidewalk not being built along Hunter's residential lot. Lindgren noted we are waiting for more information from the engineer.

An attorney release for the Hunter Subdivision HOA was discussed. The attorney would amend the articles of incorporation for the current HOA to add the new subdivision and any future subdivisions, but only if the Village Board gives her a release to do so. The Board was not in favor of signing the attorney release, and felt the HOA needed to get their own attorney.

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Peterson moved to enter executive session to discuss personnel. Burklund seconded. Voting Yeas: Peterson, Burklund, Johnson, and Ruble. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Peterson said the purpose of the closed session is for the Board to discuss personnel and entered closed session at 8:40 PM.

Peterson resumed Regular Session at 9:54 PM from the closed session for the Board to discuss personnel.

Burklund moved to adjourn at 9:55 PM. Ruble seconded. Voting Yeas: Burklund, Ruble, Johnson, and Peterson. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Scott Peterson, Chair
Joan Lindgren, Clerk