VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
1 & 6 YEAR STREET PLAN REVISION
TWO CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 19, 2026

Opening prayer by Sophia Custer.

Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm in the Ceresco Community Room. Board Members were given the agenda and supporting documents. Notices were posted at the Village Office, Ceresco Post Office and CerescoBank. Peterson pointed out the Open Meetings Act posted on the wall of the Community Room. Answering roll call: Peterson, Burklund, Custer, Ruble, and Johnson. Also present: Nancy Witters, Curtis Howell, Tylor Sharping, Tony Hernandez, Chilton Leedom, Mark Rezac, Dixie Potter, Brian Roland, Jody Anderson, and Joan Lindgren.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Peterson moved to open the Public Hearing for a Revision to the One and Six Year Road and Street Plan at 6:00 PM. Ruble seconded. Voting Yeas: Peterson, Ruble, Custer, Johnson, and Burklund. Nays: none. Motion carried.

No public comments.

Peterson moved to close the Public Hearing for a Revision to the One and Six Year Road and Street Plan at 6:01 PM. Ruble seconded. Voting Yeas: Peterson, Ruble, Johnson, Burklund, and Custer. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The following Revisions to the One Year Plan 2025/2026 Projects (October 1st to September 20th) were reviewed: **1)** 1st Street – Elm Street to Pine Street, and Pine Street to Oak Street, Patch and Overlay, Mill as Needed. **2)** 2nd Street – Elm Street to Pine Street, and Pine Street to Oak Street, Mill and Overlay with Patching. **3)** Pine Street – 2nd Street to 3rd Street, Mill and Overlay with Patching. **4)** 2nd Street – Main Street to Park Street, Mill and Overlay with Patching, with Curb Ramp Updates. **5)** Archite Street – Main Street to Park Street, Mill and Overlay with Patching.

Burklund questioned why Archie Street and 2nd Street weren't listed as separate plans on the One Year Plan. Peterson questioned when Archie Street widening was removed from the Plan, and Laura Lane-Beech to Pine.

Burklund moved to make changes to the One Year Plan 2025/2026 revisions presented: 1) Archie Street, fix the spelling, and split Archie Street into three separate blocks – Main Street to Edwin Street, Edwin Street to Cameron Street, and Cameron Street to Park Street. 2) Then the same thing with 2nd Street, split that into three blocks – Main Street to Edwin Street, Edwin Street to Cameron Street, and Cameron Street to Park Street, and remove "with curb ramp updates." 6) Add Laura Lane – from Beech Street to Elm Street, and Elm Street to Pine Street, mill and overlay with patching. Peterson seconded. Discussion held. Burklund reviewed NDOT design standards for preventative maintenance and will contact the NDOT for clarification. **Voting Yeas: Burklund, Peterson, Johnson, Ruble, and Custer. Nays: none. Motion carried.**

Peterson introduced Resolution 2026-3. "WHEREAS", the Village Street Superintendent has prepared and presented a "Notification of Revision of One and Six Year Plan" for the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska,"

Burklund moved to approve Resolution 2026-3 with the revisions to the One and Six Year Plan, and with the revisions made at this meeting: 1) 1st Street – Elm Street to Pine Street, and Pine Street to Oak Street, Patch and Overlay, Mill as Needed. 2) 2nd Street – Elm Street to Pine Street, and Pine Street to Oak Street, Mill and Overlay with Patching. 3) Pine Street – 2nd Street to 3rd Street, Mill and Overlay with Patching. 4) 2nd Street – Main Street to Edwin Street, Edwin Street to Cameron Street, and Cameron Street to Park Street, Mill and Overlay with Patching. 5) Archie Street – Main Street to Edwin Street, Edwin Street to Cameron Street, and Cameron Street to Park Street, Mill and Overlay with Patching. 6) Laura Lane - Beech Street to Elm Street, and Elm Street to Pine Street, Mill and Overlay with Patching. Ruble seconded.

The Chair instructed the Clerk to call the roll and the following was the vote on this motion. Yeas: Burklund, Ruble, Custer, Johnson, and Peterson.

WHEREUPON, the Chairperson declared that the Motion having been approved by a majority of the votes cast, said Resolution 2026-3 is approved and adopted.

Peterson adjourned the Public Hearing for a Revision to the One and Six Year Road and Street Plan at 6:24 PM.

Peterson moved to open the Public Hearing for Conditional Use Permits at 6:24 PM. Custer seconded. Voting Yeas: Peterson, Custer, Johnson, Burklund, and Ruble.

No public comments.

Peterson moved to close the Public Hearing for Conditional Use Permits at 6:25 PM. Burklund seconded. Voting Yeas: Peterson, Burklund, Johnson, Custer, and Ruble. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Planning Commission recommendation to approve Ernie's sign permit as submitted and Larkin's contingent on the approval of the State Sign Permit was reviewed. Anderson reviewed she received notice today that Larkin was given a banner permit by NDOT and the Village can approve a Resolution at the June meeting. Lindgren noted the Public Hearing notice included both Ernie's and Larkin, but a Resolution was not prepared for Larkin due to the contingency and not receiving communication from NDOT earlier. Discussion held.

Peterson introduced Resolution 2026-4. A Resolution to approve the request to display an advertising sign on PT NW NW 33-13-7 for a conditional use permit for Ernie's.

Peterson moved to approve Resolution 2026-4 for the Conditional Use Permit for Ernie's. Ruble seconded.

The Chair instructed the Clerk to call the roll and the following was the vote on this motion. Yeas: Peterson, Ruble, Johnson, Custer, and Burklund.

WHEREUPON, the Chairperson declared that the motion having been approved by a majority of the votes cast, said Resolution 2026-4 is approved and adopted.

Peterson adjourned the Public Hearing for Conditional Use Permits at 6:34 PM and entered the Regular meeting session at 6:35 PM.

Ruble moved to approve the minutes for April 21st, 2026, minutes. Custer seconded. Voting Yeas: Ruble, Custer, Johnson, Burklund, and Peterson. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Custer moved to approve the April 23rd minutes as presented. Burklund seconded. Voting Yeas: Custer, Burklund, Johnson, and Ruble. Abstain: Peterson. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Mark Rezac of Prague Insurance Agency was present to review the renewal of the insurance policy. He introduced his associate, Dixie Potter. He noted he's glad the Village did due diligence for the constituents by contacting other insurance agencies and making sure he is being honest. He noted he has been with Continental General since 2010 and Jones Group out of David City has been his state director for the last 15 years. Commercial property building value is $9,998,400, which is about a 5% increase of $3,634. Commercial general liability went down $75. Liquor liability went up $74. Employment practices liability went down $80. Commercial auto went up $1,401. Inland marine went up $155. Umbrella went up $321. Workers' compensation went down $1,724. Fire workers' compensation had no change. Renewal cost is $85,209, which is an increase of $3,706. Rezac reviewed the Village needs to collect certificates of insurance for the "Touch a Truck" even during Ceresco Days. If there is a demonstration, it needs to be roped off. He noted the fire department has coverage to bring a truck to the event, but the Village vehicles should not be part of "Touch a Truck". Burklund questioned the Village's liability for the "Touch a Truck" event. Rezac said the Village would need to do an endorsement to the policy to add that. Rezac questioned of the Ceresco Days committee is an official subcommittee of the Village. Anderson noted the name is Celebrate Ceresco, and yes, it's a subcommittee of the Village. Lindgren noted Celebrate Ceresco was added to the Ordinances. Burklund questioned increasing the auto deductible. Rezac said there is not much savings, and you won't make it up in premium. Johnson questioned requesting certificates of liability insurance for "Touch a Truck". Rezac noted the Village should not cover equipment for the event, the owner should have the certificate of liability insurance. Burklund questioned using the police car for the event. Rezac said Continental Western said no village equipment or vehicles should be in the event. The fire department has coverage built into its fire pack insurance. Rezac noted you don't need to have insurance on a piece of equipment. You need general liability insurance. Peterson questioned the value of the police truck. Rezac noted it is based on new value. Rezac thanked the Board for the business and noted that over four million dollars has been paid out since the 2008 tornado. Peterson noted he and Burklund met with UNICO. They had a good policy, but it's the same exact vendor and policy. They have some training they can offer that we don't have, but that is the only difference. Burklund recommended staying with Rezac. Peterson agreed to stay with Rezac.

Ruble moved to accept and pay the claim of $85,209 to Mark Rezac of Prague Insurance. Johnson seconded. Voting Yeas: Ruble, Johnson, Custer, Burklund, and Peterson. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Hernandez reviewed the Police Report, including three complaints regarding yard clean up. One has cleaned up and didn't need to come. Curtis Howell and Tylor Sharping were present regarding the complaints. Hernandez presented pictures of Howell's property and noted they have been in contact with him several times over three or four years, but it continues to repeat. Hernandez noted that Sharping has done a good job of cleaning up most of it. Sharping shared concerns of property coming into town and a fifth wheel. Discussion held. Sharping agreed to remove the tires in the front. Howell said his stuff is always moving around. Discussion held. Howell was asked to remove the mowers from the fence line and not have more than a couple for sale in the front and keep it that way. Johnson suggested to Howell to find a place to rent if he wants to keep all the mowers. Howell agreed to clean it up.

Ruble left the meeting at 7:12 PM.

Hernandez reviewed he has finalized the insurance claim for lost property, and thanked Anderson and Lindgren for their assistance. Leedom reviewed the ice cream give away from Super C. Burklund questioned Swanson Auto clean up. Lindgren reviewed the survey that has been completed for the attorney to move forward with a letter. Discussion held. An updated cat ordinance was reviewed. Curfew was discussed.

Roland reviewed: **1)** Valves are done at wwtp. **2)** Sargent said when the new budget starts October 1, Well #6 should be pulled for maintenance. It can't be put off. Cost is $25,000 and will be added to budget. **3)** Burklund questioned the kitchen step grinding. Johnson reviewed the error. Discussion held. A&H will be asked to correct it without tearing it out. **4)** Splash pad leak hasn't been repaired. **5)** Huge trees at compost site and updating the sign was discussed. **6)** Parking line striping was discussed. The maintenance guys will stripe angled parking as time allows. Manion will be contacted. **7)** NRWA water and sewer rate study was reviewed. Burklund questioned **a)** Anderson's class breakout and suggested it be 25% water, 25% sewer and 50% general. **b)** Water bond issuance fees. **c)** Water utilities. d) Water capital outlay vs repairs and maintenance. Lindgren will look into the questions and rate study numbers. **8)** Potholing for lead and copper was mentioned. Anderson hasn't finalized yet. **9)** Test kits for sampling were mentioned. **10)** New lead and copper requirements were reviewed. **10)** Locates in Hunter Subdivision for OPPD. **11)** Exercising water main valves. 12) Maintenance subcommittee will meet Thursday at 3:30 PM.

Peterson moved to approve the Building Inspector report as presented. Custer seconded. Voting Yeas: Peterson, Custer, Johnson, and Burklund. Absent: Ruble. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Anderson reviewed the Zoning Administrator Report: **1)** Larry Wendt resigned from the Planning Commission due to his employment. **2)** Zoning map will be reviewed by Planning Commission in May, and the Village Board in June. **3)** Finishing the sidewalk along Main was discussed. It is not part of the subdivision. Johnson shared concerns of the dirt work not being done to raise the sidewalk above the curb. The curb is higher than the sidewalk. Cleaning of the sidewalk was mentioned. It was noted that at a meeting the cleaning of the sidewalk by the Village with the Ventrac was discussed, but no decisions made. Peterson noted it should be the responsibility of the HOA. Johnson asked to contact JEO and REGA regarding the sidewalk construction. Burklund asked to find out why the sidewalk wasn't constructed across Hunter's lot.

Johnson mentioned the sidewalk at 1st & Elm, and he will contact the Coop.

Peterson moved to approve the Treasurers Report as presented. Custer seconded. Voting Yeas: Peterson, Custer, Johnson, and Burklund. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Clarification from the account was reviewed.

Claims were reviewed. **Peterson moved to pay the claims as presented with the additional claims. Custer seconded. Voting Yeas: Peterson, Custer, Johnson, and Burklund. Nays: none. Motion carried. Approved claims: AFLAC $355.68/ins; Amazon Capital Services $85.49/lib; Ameritas Life $26.21/ins; Angela Cuda $75.00/gen; Aqua-Chem $137.80/wat; Blue Cross and Blue Shield $3,031.68/ins; Bromm, Lindahl, ET AL $638.00/gen; Charles Fletcher $75.00/wat; Collaborative Summer Library Programs $112.82/lib; Bauer Built $199.00/st; Bomgaars $91.73/st, prk; Card Services $182.46/pol, gen, wat, sew, prk; Cummins $539.42/sew; Delta Dental $129.03/ins; Dinges Fire $16,200.00/fire; Eakes $307.84/gen, prk; Electric Pump $1,075.50/sew; Fastenal $35.62/sew; FNBO $327.3/gen, wat, pol; Frontier Coop $734.33/fuel; Guardian $27.20/ins; Helena 309.39/prk; Hergert Oil $103.68/pol, sew; INGRAM $261.16/lib; Jackson Services $169.02/gen, sew, wat, fire; Jody Anderson $51.33/gen; Kristin Grundin $75.00/wat; JEO $1,746.25/gen; Library Ideas $178.40/lib; Menards $159.71/st, prk; Midwest Labs $381.94/sew; Motorola $192.85/fire; Municipal Supply of Omaha $140.68/wat; National Sign Company $80.55/st; OPPD $5,447.18/elec; Otte Oil $519.31/st, lib; Pavers $58,353.32; Pavers $82,496.80/st; Sam's Club $662.68/prk, lib, gen; Sandy Tvrdy $325.00/gen; Senior Citizen 60+ $288.00/gen; Simons Home Store $251.88/prk; Sunbelt Rentals $193.74/st; Ty's Outdoor Service $427.22/wat; USPS $695.00/wat, sew; Utility Service $4,102.54/wat; UNITI $460.13/phones; Verizon $169.83/phones; Vrba $32,779.00/sew; Wahoo Newspaper $339.11/wat; Wahoo Auto Parts $14.86/lib; Waste Connections of NE $8,050.20; Intuit $172.28/gen; Sandy Tvrdy $325.00/gen; Payroll Liabilities: American Funds Investment $1,070.86; NE Dept of Labor $120.63; NE Dept of Revenue $686.34; Payroll $19,587.13; United States Treasury $5,320.22**

Peterson moved to approve the minutes for the Library as presented. Ruble seconded. Voting Yeas: Peterson, Ruble, Johnson, Burklund, and Custer. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Peterson asked why the Library Board wasn't present. Lindgren noted they don't have any information yet. They haven't had a meeting, but it is scheduled for Saturday, May 23rd. They haven't met with the Friends of the Library, which only has one member, Shirley Flystra. Lindgren noted she visited with Jodi Sousek and her understanding was if they have extra budget on any line item, they should be able to use that, because it is all part of their budget. Burklund and Peterson said that was not the agreement. Sousek doesn't remember that. Burklund noted they wouldn't have made the motion on the wage unless they agreed to ask the Friends. Lindgren noted it was discussed, but not part of the motion. Discussion held.

Custer reviewed Park & Rec: **1)** She and Ruble haven't met on the memorial. **2)** Schutt did the electrical work on the batting cage lights. **3)** Splash pad won't open this weekend. Maybe, June 1st, but the leak isn't fixed. Custer noted last year it was open Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday. Discussion held.

Peterson moved to have the Splash Pad Subcommittee work with Brian and Dustin to figure out the opening day, and the hours, and days of operation. Johnson seconded. Voting Yeas: Peterson, Johnson, Custer, and Burklund. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Custer reviewed she and Dustin met with an equipment company for Friendship Park. A bid will be received for the June meeting. Custer noted swings will not work.

Custer moved to approve the April 23rd, and May 4th Fire Department minutes as presented. Peterson seconded. Burklund questioned if they have money in their budget for the $18,000 purchase. It was noted MFO funds will be used. **Voting Yeas: Custer, Peterson, Johnson, and Burklund. Nays: none. Motion carried.**

Peterson moved to approve the May 6 Celebrate Ceresco minutes as presented. Burklund seconded. Burklund questioned if Dustin can hang up the flags. A lift will be rented for Dustin to put up. **Voting Yeas: Peterson,**

Burklund, Custer, and Johnson. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Burklund suggested asphalting more streets, and going out for bid up to $144,000.

Ordinance 2026-3 now comes on for third reading. **AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF CERESCO, SAUNDERS COUNTY, NEBRASKA, TO UPDATE CHAPTER 3 TO BRING THE CODE INTO COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAW; TO PROVIDE LIABILITY FOR DAMANGE DONE TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY; TO MODIFY ANIMAL-RELATED NUISANCES ALL CONTAINED IN THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF CERESCO, NEBRASKA.**

WHEREUPON, Chair Peterson moved that said Ordinance 2026-3 be approved by its third reading and its title agreed to. Board Member 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: Peterson, Custer, Johnson, and Burklund. Nays: none.

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared that a majority of the members of the Board having voted in the affirmative for the passage and approval of said Ordinance No. 2026-3, the Chair declared Ordinance No. 2026-3 to have been duly passed and adopted as an Ordinance of the Village of Ceresco, Saunders County, Nebraska, and the Chair subscribed his name thereto, and the Clerk attested said signature of the Chair by subscribing her name thereto and affixing thereon the seal of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska. The Chair then instructed the Clerk to publish Ordinance No. 2026-3 in the manner required by law, within fifteen (15) days after passage.

Johnson moved to extend the meeting 15 minutes to 9:15 PM. Custer seconded. Voting Yeas: Johnson, Custer, and Peterson. Nays: Burklund. Motion carried.

Resolution 2025-5 and Resolution 2026-1 tabled.

Resolution 2026-5 was introduced by Board Chair Peterson and is set forth in full as follows, to wit:

WHEREAS, the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 was signed into law on October 30, 2000, placing new emphasis on state and local mitigation planning for natural hazards and requiring communities to adopt a hazard mitigation action plan to be eligible for pre-disaster and post-disaster federal funding for mitigation purposes; and

WHEREAS, a Hazard Mitigation Plan was prepared by the Lower Platte South Natural Resources District, with assistance from JEO Consulting Group, Inc. of Lincoln, NE.

WHEREAS, the purpose of the mitigation plan was to lessen the effects of disasters by increasing the disaster resistance of the region and participating jurisdictions located within the planning boundary by identifying the hazards that affect **Village of Ceresco** and prioritize mitigation strategies to reduce potential loss of life and property damage from those hazards, and

WHEREAS, FEMA regulations require documentation that the plan has been formally adopted by the governing body of **Village of Ceresco** in the form of a resolution and further requesting approval of the plan at the Federal Level; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the governing body of **Village of Ceresco** does herewith adopt the most recent and FEMA-approved version of the Lower Platte South NRD Hazard Mitigation Plan Update in its entirety; and

PASSED AND APPROVED this ________ day of ________________, 2026

TITLE: ______________________

ATTEST: ______________________

WHEREUPON, Chairman Peterson moved to approve said Resolution No. 2026-5. Board Member Custer 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: Peterson, Custer, Johnson, and Burklund. Nays: none.

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared that the Motion having been approved by a majority of the votes cast, said Resolution 2026-5 is approved and adopted.

Burklund moved to meet June 2 with Vacanti Municipal Consulting at 6:30 PM. Burklund rescinded his motion.

A Special Meeting for strategic planning with Vacanti Municipal Consulting was set for June 2, 6:30 PM. Custer will not be in attendance.

A bid for the sidewalk at 1st and Elm was reviewed. Splitting the cost with Frontier Coop was discussed. Burklund will get another bid, and it will be added to the June 2nd Special Meeting.

Burklund asked to have the old conference room cleaned to hold meetings. Lindgren noted she will do the best she can, and they are getting three free filing cabinets from the League.

Peterson noted an Officer is coming back to work. He was previously here. He is not a new hire, so doesn't need to be voted on.

Peterson moved to adjourn at 9:15 PM. Custer seconded. Voting Yeas: Peterson, Custer, Johnson, and Burklund. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Scott Peterson, Chair
Joan Lindgren, Clerk