

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING AND
MAY 17, 2022

Opening prayer by Sophia Custer.

Rupe called the Regular 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 at 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, Custer, Ruble and Eggleston. Absent: Ubben. Also present: Brian Roland, Steve Anderson, Mark Rezac and Joan Lindgren. Brian Ubben was in attendance by phone.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Rupe moved to approve the minutes presented for April 19, 2022 minutes. Ruble seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Ruble, Eggleston and Custer. Voting Nays: none. Motion carried.

Rupe reviewed the League of Nebraska Municipalities Health Insurance plan with Blue Cross Blue Shield (BCBS). Option 1 is the best plan for the employees, and still a savings on premium. Rupe noted you can never go up in a plan, only down. Lindgren reviewed the plan begins July 1, and any deductible from the current plan will be accepted by BCBS for the new plan. Discussion held.

Rupe moved to choose the PPO Option 1 for Blue Cross Blue Shield. Eggleston seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Eggleston, Ruble and Custer. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Lindgren noted she hasn't compared the dental, vision and other insurance options yet and asked to work with the Chair on this because of the June 1st deadline.

Custer moved that Lindgren work with Rupe on the ancillary benefits. Eggleston seconded. Voting Yeas: Custer, Eggleston, Ruble and Rupe. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Roland reviewed: 1) Well #5 was cleaned and tested back in service. 2) Physical therapy on his shoulder. 3) The state inspector will be coming Thursday for the water sanitary survey. 4) Problems with the generator at the well house. It is an old miliary generator and the gauges aren't working. A bid for a new generator was mentioned and another bid will gotten. 5) Sargent Irrigation has been contacted for a bid to replace valves at the well house adding a new shut off valve in the well house. 6) A mini trackhoe will need to be rented to clean out the water way. 7) The rip rap at 1st and Elm will be placed tomorrow. Dennis Johnson will do the work and clean the ditch. 8) A quote from Johnson Service Company to rehab five (5) manholes on 2nd Street was reviewed.

Rupe moved to accept the quote for manhole rehab with Johnson Service Company in the amount of \$17,850.00. Eggleston seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Eggleston, Custer and Ruble. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The updated return pump quote from Electric Pump was reviewed. Due to the length of time from the original quote to acceptance, the pump has increased in price by \$1,100.00.

Rupe moved to approve the \$1,100.00 increase to the final amount of \$11,664.00 for Electric Pump. Custer seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Custer, Eggleston and Ruble. Nays: none. Motion carried.

M.E. Collins will look at the sewer inlet at 704 Spruce when they work on the Main Street bridge in July.

Rupe and Ruble will meet with Ogden on June 1st to review the 1 & 6 Year Street Plan and review 3rd Street that runs south of the school. Drainage on 3rd was discussed.

Ubben noted he is waiting to hear back from Jerad Shanahan for the ballfield drainage project. Ogden will be asked about the drainage project.

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New lights for the batting cage was discussed. Bringing the lights up to code was reviewed. Ruble will get clarification on the bid he has and Ubben will get a second bid.

Roland hasn't heard back from the State on the splash pad and wwtp concerns. Other towns will be contacted regarding maintenance.

Anderson reviewed Police issues. The campaign to fight meth in Nebraska was reviewed. The Board agreed to educate and post the information. Objects in the right-of-way was mentioned. The Village's insurance agent will review later in the meeting. The attorney is reviewing and will have a response for the June meeting.

The building inspector report was reviewed.

Custer moved to approve the building inspector report as presented. Rupe seconded. Voting Yeas: Custer, Rupe, Ruble and Eggleston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Eggleston moved to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Rupe seconded. Voting Yeas: Eggleston, Rupe, Ruble, and Custer. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Custer moved to approve the JEO claim for \$9,575.00. Eggleston seconded. Voting Yeas: Custer, Eggleston and Ruble. Nays: None. Abstain: Rupe. Motion carried.

Claims were reviewed. **Rupe moved to approve the claims as presented. Ruble seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Ruble, Custer and Eggleston. Nays: none. Motion carried.** The approved claims are as follows: AFLAC \$327.12/ins; Ameritas Life \$31.44/ins; Arnie Lowell \$100.00/prk; Brandt, Horan, Hallstrom & Stilmock \$340.00/fire; Capital Arborist Tree Service \$250.00/prk; Card Services \$108.82/wat, gen; Baker & Taylor \$27.18/lib; Cash \$19.68/sew, trsh, st; Ceresco 60+ \$242.00/gen; Bomgaars \$48.94/prk, st; Delta Dental \$170.65/ins; Dennis Trucking \$1,900.50/st; Eakes \$53.84/gen; Ernie's \$499.99/gen; First National Bank of Omaha \$650.00/gen; Frontier Coop \$1,498.21/fuel; Harris Decals \$87.14/gen; Helena Agri-Enterprises \$665.14/prk; Jackson Services \$140.82/gen, sew, wat, fire, prk, st; Jody Anderson \$75.00/gen; Menards \$356.31/st, lib, gen, prk; Midwest Labs \$111.45/sew; Municipal Code Services \$880.00/gen; Municipal Supply of Omaha \$18.99/wat; Nebraska Generator Service \$654.56/wat; Nebraska Volunteer Firefighters Association \$345.00/fire; NMC \$750.02/st; OPPD \$4,693.79/electric; Pest Solution 365 \$60.00/gen; Platte Valley Equipment \$82.05/prk; Raymond Central Public Schools \$670.00/gen; Rembolt Ludtke LLP \$870.00/fire; Sam's Club \$419.32/lib; Sandy Tvrdy \$325.00/gen; Saunders County Mutual Aid Association \$20.00/fire; Simons Home Store \$89.44/st, prk; Sweet Pea Market \$30.00/sew, st, wat; U.S. Post Office \$160.00/wat, sew; Utility Service Co \$3,567.43/wat; Verizon \$178.53/phones; Wahoo-Waverly-Ashland Newspaper \$238.92/gen/st; Wahoo Auto Parts \$258.52/st, wat; Waste Connections of NE \$5,510.24/trash; Windstream \$390.85/phones; Nebraska Department of Revenue \$802.59/sales tax; Payroll Liabilities: Allied Benefit Systems, LLC \$3,063.25; MWG Administrators \$599.12; American Funds Investment \$821.56; United States Treasury \$4,111.06; Payroll \$15,935.98, Nebraska Department of Revenue \$827.19

Pay Application #1 from M.E. Collins for the Elm Street Bridge repairs was reviewed.

Rupe moved to pay M.E. Collins for the Elm Street Bridge repairs in the amount of \$149,052.62. Ruble seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Ruble, Eggleston and Custer. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Eggleston moved to approve the Library Report as presented. Rupe seconded. Voting Yeas: Eggleston, Rupe, Custer and Ruble. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Eggleston moved to approve the Fire Department minutes from April, 2022 as presented. Custer seconded. Voting Yeas: Eggleston, Custer, Ruble and Rupe. Nays: none. Motion carried.

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Resolution 2022-4 was introduced by Board Member Eggleston and is set forth in full as follows, to wit:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CHAIRPERSON AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF CERESCO, NEBRASKA TO APPROVE, RATIFY AND ACCEPT THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF CERESCO, NEBRASKA AND THE CERESCO RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #5; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXECUTION THEREOF.

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of both the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska ("Village") and the Ceresco Rural Fire Protection District #5 ("District") to share in the costs of equipping and maintaining local firefighting bodies, namely the Ceresco Volunteer Fire Department, in order to provide for the public health, convenience, safety and welfare within the incorporated area of Village and within the territory of District; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of said interests, the Village determines it to be in the best interests of the citizens of the Village to approve the Interlocal Agreement with the District, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village hereby approves of the Interlocal Agreement with the District; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairperson of the Village is authorized to execute said Interlocal Agreement on behalf of the Village, and to further execute all documents necessary to carry out the terms and intent of the Interlocal Agreement.

WHEREUPON, Board Member Eggleston moved that said Resolution No. 2022-4 be approved as presented. 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: Eggleston, Custer, Ruble and Rupe. Nays: none.

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared that the Motion having been approved by a majority of the votes cast, said Resolution 2022-4 is approved and adopted.

Cost sharing EMT training with the Rural Fire Board was discussed. The Fire Department will be asked to prepare a training reimbursement policy.

The Forestry Grant for a generator is still being worked on.

Lindgren reviewed a request from Gitta Brown to use the Village property for a garage sale. The Board agreed Village property should not be used.

Mark Rezac with Prague Insurance Agency was present to review the Village's insurance for 2022/2023. The commercial property value has increased to \$7,504,100.00. Continental Western Group took across the board a 10% increase in values on all property. The Commercial General Liability has increased. Employment Practices Liability Insurance has also increased. Commercial Auto, Inland Marine, the Umbrella and Worker's Compensation have all decreased. Terrorism was reviewed and the Board agreed to continue the coverage.

Ceresco Day's insurance was discussed. Since the Ceresco Day's Association formed a 501c3 non-profit status with the IRS and are their own entity, they can no longer work under the Village of Ceresco. Rezac recommended an official subcommittee be appointed by the Village Board. Details will be researched.

Rezac reviewed an incident that happened to him while driving on South 2nd Street in Ceresco. He noted when he is driving in his vehicle, the huge rocks next to the street get in his blind spot. He is concerned of potential liability to the town and the homeowner. Hernandez will be asked to measure the right-of-way on South 2nd Street for the exact location of objects.

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Ruble moved to approve the insurance renewal in the amount of \$49,263.00. Custer seconded. Voting Yeas: Ruble, Custer, Eggleston and Rupe. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Ruble moved to form the Ceresco Celebration Subcommittee to be in charge of Ceresco Days. Eggleston seconded. Voting Yeas: Ruble, Eggleston, Custer and Rupe. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Ruble moved to approve the liquor license for the Ceresco Celebration Subcommittee for Ceresco Days. Rupe seconded. Voting Yeas: Ruble, Rupe, Custer and Eggleston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2022-6 was reviewed. Ruble pointed out several concerns with the language when crossing a highway, and lights/taillights. The Ordinance was tabled for clarification from the attorney.

Resolution 2022-5 was introduced by Board Member Eggleston and is set forth in full as follows, to wit:

WHEREAS, the Village of Ceresco, Saunders County, Nebraska has adopted a Municipal Code, as revised and amended from time to time, to provide for rules and regulations within the municipality and within its one mile zoning jurisdiction to promote the health, safety and general well-being of its inhabitants, and,

WHEREAS, the Village of Ceresco Municipal Code Book, Zoning, and Subdivision Regulations contain rules and regulations regarding licenses, fees and permits for various processes, procedures, and activities, and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska has the authority to set the amount of all fees required for issuance of the licenses, permits, and other activities pursuant to the rules and regulations set out in the Municipal Code, the Zoning and Subdivision Regulations of the Village of Ceresco, Saunders County, Nebraska in a Master Fee Schedule, and,

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, to amend the Master Fee Schedule pertaining to licensing permit fees for ATV/UTV, Golf Car Vehicles, and Low-Speed Vehicles, and,

WHEREAS, this Master Fees Schedule takes effect on May 1, 2022 in accordance with Ordinances 2021-8, 2021-9 and 2022-6,

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 a part of this Resolution as if fully set out at length herein.

2. That the Master Fee Schedule shall be amended as follows:

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| a. | Licensing permit for ATV/UTV | \$25.00 |
| b. | Licensing permit for Golf Car Vehicle | \$25.00 |
| c. | Licensing permit for Low-Speed Vehicle | \$25.00 |

WHEREUPON, Board Member Custer moved that said Resolution No. 2022-5 be approved. Chairman Rupe 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: Custer, Rupe, Eggleston and Ruble. Nays: none.

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WHEREUPON, the Chair declared that the Motion having been approved by a majority of the votes cast, said Resolution 2022-5 is approved and adopted.

Custer shared concerns of mosquitos from residents. Mosquito spraying was discussed. Wahoo sprayed for Ceresco many years ago. Residents should treat their own yard and remove any standing water.

Eggleston shared concerns of dogs running at large.

Rupe moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 PM. Ruble seconded. Voting Yeas: Rupe, Ruble, Custer and Eggleston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Antonia Rupe, Chair
Joan Lindgren, Clerk