

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
BUDGET HEARING, SPECIAL HEARING
AND SPECIAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 15, 2021

The Budget Hearing of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska was held the 15th day of September, 2021, at 6:00 PM. Notice of the Budget Hearing and was published in the Wahoo Newspaper on the 2nd day of September, 2021. Notices were also posted at the Village Office, Ceresco Post Office, and CerescoBank.

Rupe pointed out the Open Meeting Law Act posted on the wall in the Community Building. Answering roll call: Rupe, Eggleston, Custer and Ruble. Absent: Ubben. Also present: Kent Speicher and Joan Lindgren.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Rupe moved to open the Budget Hearing for the proposed Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget at 6:01 PM. Eggleston seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Eggleston, Custer and Ruble. No: none. Motion carried.

Three copies of the proposed budget statement were available to the public.

Kent Speicher made a presentation outlining the key provisions of the proposed Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget statement, including, but not limited to, a comparison with the prior year's budget. Speicher noted this is the last year the 1% allowable increase can be taken.

The floor was then opened for public comment on the proposed budget statement. There were no comments from the public.

Rupe moved to close the Public Hearing for the proposed Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget at 6:06 PM. Ruble seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Ruble, Custer and Eggleston. No: none. Motion carried.

The Special Hearing to set the final tax request for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska was held the 15th day of September, 2021, immediately following the Budget Hearing and was published in the Wahoo Newspaper on the 2nd day of September, 2021. Notices were also posted at the Village Office, Ceresco Post Office, and CerescoBank.

Rupe pointed out the Open Meeting Law Act posted on the wall in the Community Building. Answering roll call: Rupe, Ruble, Eggleston and Custer. Absent: Ubben. Also present: Kent Speicher and Joan Lindgren.

Rupe moved to open the Public Hearing to set the final tax request for the proposed Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget at 6:07 PM. Custer seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Custer, Eggleston and Ruble. No: none. Motion carried.

Kent Speicher reviewed the property taxes requested for the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year is \$159,479. The valuation went from \$58,138,297 to \$60,316,725. Of the valuation increase, \$277,361 was new property coming on the roll. The remaining increase was revaluation. The 2021-2022 Fiscal Year general fund levy request is \$.264403, which is up 6.11% (0.015216). The bond fund levy request is \$.258892, which is a reduction by -5.55% (0.015216). The total is a 0% increase in the levy request.

The floor was then opened for public comment on the proposed budget statement. There were no comments from the public.

Rupe moved to close the Public Hearing to set the final tax request for the proposed Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget at 6:10 PM. Eggleston seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Eggleston, Ruble and Custer. No: none. Motion carried.

Rupe opened the Special meeting at 6:10 PM. Answering roll call: Rupe, Custer, Eggleston and Ruble. Absent: Ubben. Also present: Kent Speicher and Joan Lindgren.

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Rupe moved to approve the 1% allowable increase for the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year budget. Ruble seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Ruble, Eggleston and Custer. No: none. Motion carried with at least a three-fourths (3/4s) vote.

Ordinance 2021-4 was introduced by Chairperson Rupe and is set forth in full as follows, to wit: AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE BUDGET STATEMENT TO BE TERMED THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BILL; TO APPROPRIATE SUMS FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHAIRPERSON AND THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF CERESCO, NEBRASKA.

Section 1. That after complying with all procedures required by law, the budget presented and set forth in the budget statement is hereby approved as the Annual Appropriation Bill for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2021, through September 30, 2022. All sums of money contained in the budget statement are hereby appropriated for the necessary expenses and liabilities of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska. A copy of the budget document shall be forwarded as provided by law to the Auditor of Public Accounts, State Capitol, Lincoln, Nebraska, and to the County Clerk of Saunders County, Nebraska, for use by the levying authority.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage, approval, and publication or posting as required by law.

Chairperson Rupe moved that the statutory rules in regard to the passage and adoption of Ordinance 2021-4 be suspended so that said ordinance might be introduced, read by title, and then moved for final passage at the same meeting. Board Member Eggleston seconded said motion. The Chair put the question and 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 to suspend the rules: Yeas: Rupe, Eggleston, Custer and Ruble. Nays: none.

WHEREUPON, the motion having been carried by affirmative votes of no less than three-fourths (3/4ths) of the total members of the Board, the Chair declared the statutory rules in regard to the passage and approval of Ordinance 2021-4 be suspended so that Ordinance No. 2021-4 might be read by title and then moved for final passage at the same meeting.

Board Member Eggleston moved that said Ordinance 2021-4 be approved and passed 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: Eggleston, Custer, Ruble and Rupe. Nays: none.

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared said Ordinance 2021-4 of the Village of Ceresco, Saunders County, Nebraska having been read by title, the rules having been suspended, and having been duly approved and its title agreed to by the affirmative vote of no less than a majority of the members of the Board, duly passed and adopted as an Ordinance of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska.

Resolution 2021-9 was introduced by Chairperson Rupe and is set forth in full as follows, to wit:

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1601.02 provides that Governing Body of the Village of Ceresco passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Body of the Village of Ceresco, resolves that:

1. The 2021-2022 property tax request be set as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Request</u>	<u>Levy</u>
General	\$159,479	\$.264403
Bond	<u>156,155</u>	<u>.258891</u>
Total	\$315,634	\$.523294

2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by 3.747%.
3. The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property, would be \$.504396 per \$100 of assessed value.
4. The Governing Body of the Village of Ceresco proposed to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be \$.523294 per \$100 of assessed value.
5. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of the Village of Ceresco will exceed last year's total operating budget by 38.231%.
6. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before October 13, 2021.

WHEREUPON, Board Member Eggleston moved to adopt said Resolution 2021-9 to set the tax levy at \$.523294 for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget. Board Member Ruble seconded this motion. No further discussion was required.

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

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared that the motion having been approved by a majority of the votes cast, said Resolution 2021-4 is approved and adopted.

The Hunter Subdivision issue with no silt fencing was reviewed. Discussion held.

Rupe moved for JEO to send a letter to NDEE about the Hunter Subdivision. Ruble seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Ruble, Custer and Eggleston. No: none. Motion carried.

Lindgren noted two new building permits have come in. Ruble asked for an update on the status of the cell tower. Custer noted employee evaluations will need to be scheduled.

Rupe moved to adjourn at 6:20 PM. Eggleston seconded. Voting Yes: Rupe, Eggleston, Custer and Ruble. No: none. Motion carried.

Antonia Rupe, Chairman
Joan Lindgren, Clerk