

BIG SPRINGS VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

December 6, 2022

Present Trustees: Van Zee, Van Horn, Farrier, and Everitt. Others present: Village Clerk/Treasurer, Tamera Loomis, Village Maintenance, Curtis Brown, Village Attorney, Josh Wendell, and Deuel County Sheriff, Scott DeCoste.

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Big Springs, Nebraska was called to order at 7:00pm on December 6, 2022 in open and public session by Village Clerk Loomis. Notice of this meeting was given in advance by posting at the Village Office, U.S. Post Office, and Community First Bank and by publication in the Chappell Register and on the Village Official Website + Mobile App at bigspringsne.org, the Village's designated methods for giving notice, and delivered to members of the Board of Trustees with a copy of their Acknowledgment of Receipt and the Agenda attached to these minutes. Availability of the Agenda was communicated in the advance notice. All proceedings hereafter shown were recorded while said meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Village Clerk Loomis requested nominations from the Village Board for an Acting Chairman *pro tempore* to preside over the meeting in absence of the Board Chairman, the Village Board elects one of its members present at the meeting to occupy the position temporarily. Farrier nominated Van Zee as Acting Board Chairman *pro tempore*. Nomination seconded by Van Horn. There were no other nominations, nominations closed.

Motion by Farrier, we appoint Van Zee as Acting Board Chairman *pro tempore*, seconded by Van Horn. Yea: Farrier, Everitt, Van Zee, and Van Horn. No: None. Motion carried.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was observed.

Acting Chairman Van Zee welcomed the visitors and announced the Open Meeting Law Poster posted on the wall of the meeting room with copies available from the Village Clerk if wanted.

Motion by Everitt, we approve the minutes of the November 1, 2022 meeting, seconded by Van Horn. Yea: Everitt, Van Zee, Van Horn, and Farrier. Motion passed unanimously.

Attorney Wendell swore in Re-elected trustee: Liberty Farrier and Newly Elected trustee: Justin Dinkel.

Acting Chairman Van Zee requested nominations from the Village Board for Chairman of the Board. Farrier nominated Van Zee. Nomination seconded by Van Horn. There were no other nominations, nominations closed.

Motion by Farrier, we appoint Van Zee as Chairman of the Board of Trustees, second by Van Horn. Yea: Everitt, Van Zee, Van Horn, Farrier, and Dinkel. No: None. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Van Zee to reorganize the board: Farrier-Animal Control/Law Enforcement, Everitt-Parks/Pool, Van Zee-Sewer/Water/Trash, and Van Horn-Streets, seconded by Everitt. Yea: Van Zee, Van Horn, Dinkel, Farrier, and Everitt. No: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Farrier, we appoint Village Officials Jan. 1, 2023 through Dec. 31, 2023: Clerk/Treasurer, Tamera Loomis, Attorney, Josh Wendell, Engineer and Street Superintendent, Tom Werblow, second by Everitt. Yea: Van Horn, Dinkel, Farrier, Everitt, and Van Zee. No: None. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Farrier, we adopt Resolution R22-12-01 Signing Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent 2022, seconded by Everitt. Yea: Dinkel, Farrier, Everitt, Van Zee, and Van Horn. No: None. Motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION R22-12-01

Resolution Signing of the Year-End Certification of Village Street Superintendent 2022.

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2302, and 39-2511 through 39-2515 details the requirements that must be met in order for a municipality to qualify for an annual Inventive Payment; and

Whereas: The State of Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) requires that each incorporated municipality must annually certify (by December 31st of each year) the

appointment of the City Street Superintendent to the NDOT using the Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent; and

Whereas: The NDOT requires that such certification shall also include a copy of the documentation of the city street superintendents appointment, i.e., meeting minutes; showing the appointment of the City Street Superintendent by their name as it appears on their License (if applicable), their License Number and Class of License (if applicable), and type of appointment, i.e., employed, contract (consultant, or interlocal agreement with another incorporated municipality and/or county), and the beginning date of the appointment; and

Whereas: The NDOT also requires that such Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent shall be signed by the Mayor or Village Board Chairperson and shall include a copy a resolution of the governing body authorizing the signing of the Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent by the Mayor or Village Board Chairperson.

Be it resolved that the Village Board Chairperson of the Village of Big Springs is hereby authorized to sign the Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent.

Adopted this 6th day of December, 2022.

Motion by Farrier, we adopt Resolution R22-12-02 Nuisance Officer Jan. 1, 2023 through Dec. 31, 2023, seconded by Everitt. Yea: Farrier, Everitt, Van Zee, and Dinkel. No: Van Horn. Motion passed.

RESOLUTION R22-12-02 NUISANCE OFFICER

The Board Chairman and Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Big Springs (hereinafter the Village), in regular session assembled at the Village Office Building in Big Springs, Nebraska on this 6th day of December, 2022 hereby resolve as follows:

WHEREAS: The Village desires to appoint a Nuisance Officer pursuant to the Village Code of Ordinances Code 254, Section 3-403.

WHEREAS: West Central Nebraska Development District (hereinafter WCNDD) is fully willing, able and qualified to act as Nuisance Office for the Village.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village approves the appointment of WCNDD to act as Nuisance Officer for the Village for a period of twelve (12) months; from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Chairman is authorized to sign this resolution, and that any ordinance or resolution in conflict with this Resolution is hereby revoked to any part in conflict herewith.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED THIS 6th day of December, 2022.

Motion by Van Zee, we appoint authorized check signers: primary Clerk/Treasurer, Chairman Van Zee, and Farrier; alternate Everitt, 3 signatures required on all checks, seconded by Farrier. Yea: Van Zee, Dinkel, Everitt, Van Horn, and Farrier. No: None. Motion passed unanimously.

Brief department reports were heard.

Motion by Farrier, WCNDD work with Amy's Towing (Brule) for the towing and storage of abandoned and unlicensed vehicles at \$75.00 per tow and \$30-\$40/day storage with no additional towing fee, once abandoned titles are received, if vehicles are sold or moved to recycler, seconded by Everitt. Yea: Van Horn, Farrier, Van Zee, Everitt, and Dinkel. Motion passed unanimously.

Blight Study was presented by PADD with brief discussion. The study can be used for redevelopment, qualifier for Community Development Block grants for infrastructure projects, new sewer or water line projects, there is a list of items that require a blight study in order to complete. The blight study is good for 10 years. Next step is that the Planning Commission needs to have a Public Hearing open to the public and send invite to taxing authorities, including school districts, community colleges, public

power authority, etc. they all have to be made aware so they can make comment on it prior to adoption.

Motion by Farrier, the Attorney, reach-out to Maverik to identify if they are willing to enter into a redevelopment agreement for TIF, seconded by Everitt. Yea: Farrier, Van Horn, Dinkel, Everitt, and Van Zee. No: None. Motion passed unanimously.

Big Springs Community Fund, President, John McClung, proud to announce the fund is up and running again. They have an account for the Veterans Memorial and for the Park Shelter at the pool park and want to pick up where it was left off asking if the village has any ideas or if they should move ahead with planning. Village hasn't any plans.

Motion by Van Zee, the Clerk post notice of Board Vacancy for (2) Big Springs Planning Commission members with (1) alternate member, seconded by Farrier. Yea: Van Horn, Dinkel, Farrier, Everitt, or Van Zee. No: None. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Everitt, we approve sewer/water loan payment in the amount of \$13,570.00 from the Utility Bond Fund, seconded by Van Zee. Yea: Everitt, Dinkel, Van Zee, Van Horn, and Farrier. No: None. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Van Zee, the clerk apply for a Commercial Credit card with a \$1,000.00 credit limit with no annual fees either Capital One or Discoverer, seconded by Farrier. Yea: Van Horn, Everitt, Farrier, Dinkel, and Van Zee. No: None. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Van Zee, we approve payment of disbursements, seconded by Farrier. Yea: Everitt, Dinkel, Van Zee, Van Horn, and Farrier. No: None. Motion passed unanimously.

Salaries-8423.13, NE Dept. of Revenue-857.30-Taxes, Ace-308.02-Supplies, Amazon-114.96-Repairs, Big Springs Cemetery Assoc-5087.50-Interlocal Contract, Big Springs Truck & Travel-586.64-Fuel, Black Hills Energy-257.03-Natural Gas, Blochowicz Ditching Inc-733.50-Repairs, Century Link-601.36-Phone Service, CFB-FBO Curtis Brown-200.00-Retirement, Community First Bank-11100.00-Utility Bond Transfer & Holiday bucks, Core & Main-22,400.82-Capital Expenditure, David Twomey-5,500.00-Contract Labor, Deuel County Treasurer-7333.35-Law Enforcement Contract, Eichners Sales and Service-6.00-Repairs, Edward Jones-150.00-Retirement, John Deere Financial-342.15-Repairs/Supplies, Kenfield Electric-1272.36-Repairs, Municipal Code Servces-100.00-Printing, NDEE Fiscal Services-3973.14-Sewer Loan payment, NE Public Health-15.00-Testing, NE Salt & Grain-1040.00-Supplies, NPPD-2780.38-Electricity, NE Rural Water Assoc-125.00-Dues, Office Service-245.26-Supplies, One Call Concepts Inc.-7.54-Fees, PADD-346.72-Dues, Shane LaVante-708.23-Animal Control & Mileage, Tamera Loomis-15.15-Supplies, Utilities Section League of NE-397.00-Dues, US Postal Services-1957.78-Postage/Supplies, Verizon-222.56-Service & Equip, Waste Connections-5400.43-Trash Contract, WCNDD- 1551.00-Nuisance Contract, Western Resources Group-299.00-Recycling.

Motion by Farrier, we adjourn, seconded by Everitt. Yea: Van Horn, Farrier, Dinkel, Van Zee, and Everitt. No: None. Motion passed unanimously and meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm.



Dan Van Zee, Chairman
Village of Big Springs Board of Trustees

ATTEST:



Tamera Loomis,
Village Clerk

