

Big Springs Village Board of Trustees
Special Meeting
Thursday, July 24, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

Notice of the meeting was posted at the Big Springs Post Office, Community First Bank, Village Office, and village website. The agenda was kept current and available for public inspection at the Village Office and on the website. Advance notice with the agenda was sent to Board of Trustees members, with their acknowledgment attached to these minutes.

Roll Call: Present Trustees: Payne, Thompson, Everitt, and Huff. Absent Trustees: DeCoste. Others present: Village Clerk/Treasurer Tamera Loomis, and Librarians Connie Shaw and Janie Jimenez.

Chairman Huff called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Chairman Huff announced that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meeting Law Poster is posted on the north wall of the meeting room, accessible to the public.

Motion by Huff to approve the minutes of July 2, 2025, regular meeting. Seconded by Everitt. Yea: Thompson, Everitt, Payne, and Huff. Motion passed.

The Panhandle Area Development District provided an overview of several available grant programs, including associated matching fund requirements. The Board engaged in a brief discussion regarding the opportunities presented. No action was taken at this time.

Motion by Everitt to accept the Cemetery FY 2025-2026 budget in the amount of \$80,150.00 paid in monthly increments. Seconded by Payne. Yea: Huff, Thompson, Payne, and Everitt. Motion passed.

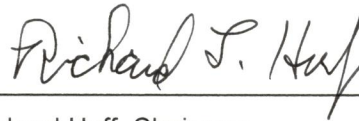
Cemetery Board President Tom Landis and Secretary/Treasurer Joi Christensen attended the meeting to address any questions from the Board concerning the cemetery. During the discussion, it was noted there had been some misunderstanding regarding ownership; the cemetery is not owned by the Village of Big Springs. Jodi is currently working with the Deuel County Clerk and County Assessor to correct the name convention and mailing address in the County's official records.

Motion by Everitt to approve the Village of Big Springs Interlocal Cemetery Agreement and to authorize the Board Chairman to sign the agreement on behalf of the Board. Seconded by Payne. Yea: Thompson, Everitt, Huff, and Payne. Motion passed.

Motion by Everitt to accept the Library FY 2025-2026 budget in the amount of \$38,464.72. Seconded by Payne. Yea: Payne, Huff, Everitt, and Trustee. Motion passed.

The Clerk and Board reviewed potential expense allocations for the upcoming budget. Items discussed included: Electronic billboard repair or replacement – \$41,976.00, Water meter replacements – \$4,520.00, Trash dumpsters – \$22,350.00, Swimming pool repairs and ADA compliance upgrades – \$100,000.00, Installation of stair hand railings to the Springs – \$10,000.00, New park activities and improvements: Park Playgroup System – \$801,845.00, Construction of a Pickleball Court, Addition of a Frisbee Golf Course, Outdoor Checkers/Chess area, Removal of existing Sand Volleyball Court, Updates and expansion of the Big Springs Community Pond. No formal action was taken by the Board regarding these items at this meeting.

Everitt moved to adjourn, seconded by Thompson. Yea: Huff, Payne, Thompson, and Everitt. Motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:53 PM.



Richard Huff, Chairman
Village of Big Springs Board of Trustees

ATTEST:



Tamera Loomis, Village Clerk

