

Big Springs Village Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting minutes
Tuesday, January 6, 2026

The Village of Big Springs Board of Trustees met on January 6, 2026, at 7:00 PM in the Village Office meeting room. Notice of the meeting was posted at the Bog Springs Post Office, Community First Bank, and Village Office in accordance with procedure. The meeting adhered to the Open Meeting Act, which was displayed in the room. The agenda was kept current and available for public inspection at the Village Office and on the website. Advance notice and the agenda were provided to board members, with acknowledgments attached to these minutes. The meeting was recorded and open to the public.

Roll Call: Present Trustees: Everitt, Huff, Payne, Thompson, and DeCoste
Others present: Village Maintenance Supt. Curtis Brown, Librarians Connie Shaw and Janie Jimenez, and Village Attorney Josh Wendell.

Chairman Huff called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Advisory: 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.

Approval of Minutes: Huff moved and DeCoste seconded, to approve the minutes from December 2, Regular Meeting and the December 18 Special Meeting Minutes: Yea: Everitt, Huff, Payne, Thompson, and DeCoste. Motion passed.

Reorganization-CY2026 Appointed Officials:

Motion by Huff to accept Clerk/Treasurer Kayla Osmera's resignation. Seconded by Everitt, Yea: Everitt, Huff, Payne, Thompson, and DeCoste. Motion passed.

Motion by Huff to appoint Curtis Brown as Utilities Superintendent, Everitt seconded, Yea: Everitt, Huff, Payne, Thompson, and DeCoste. Motion passed. Curtis declined the appointment.

Motion by Huff to appoint Denise DeCoste as Temporary Clerk/Treasurer at a pay rate of \$20 per hour and not over 29.5 hours a week. Everitt seconded, DeCoste abstained from voting. Yea: Everitt, Huff, Payne, Thompson. Motion passed.

Motion by Huff to Introduce 26-01-01 Resolution from Henderson State Bank to appoint Signing Authority: Huff, Everitt, and DeCoste. Everitt seconded, Yea: Everitt, Huff, Payne, Thompson, and DeCoste. Motion passed.

Motion by Huff and Everitt seconded to remove Tamera Loomis from all accounts.

Yea: Everitt, Huff, Payne, Thompson, and DeCoste. Motion passed.

Motion by Huff to proclaim that January 2026 is Radon Action Month, Everitt seconded. Yea: Everitt, Huff, Payne, Thompson, and DeCoste. Motion passed

Department Reports: Brief reports were heard.

Old Business: Discussion of installation of Handrail and Fencing at Big Spring Park. It was noted to table until spring time.

Discussion of the construction and licensing of an animal control shelter. Curtis wasn't informed about the December 18th Special meeting motion to purchase one dog igloo, with heater, and chain link dog pen from Bomgaars. This was rectified, once it is set up the next step will be to submit the license and fee.

New Business:

Motion by Huff to extend search for Part Time Big Springs Clerk/Treasurer. Everitt seconded, Yea: Everitt, Huff, Payne, Thompson, and DeCoste. Motion passed.

Discussion of West Central Nebraska Development District (WCNDD) as Nuisance Officer. The application has been received and approved as of December 31, 2025. It was noted to invite WCNDD to the February Regular Meeting to specify services and cost.

Motion by Huff to approve the claims. Second by Everitt. Yea: Everitt, Huff, Payne, Thompson, and DeCoste. Motion passed.

Claims for General, Street, Water, Sewer, Trash, Parks, Pool, Library, and Depot Museum.

Tamera S. Loomis	2,602.0
Richard L. Huff	300.14
Corey A. Payne	184.70
Denise D. DeCoste	184.70
Logan D. Gumaer	540.54

EdwardJones	175.00
US POSTAL SERVICE	118.34
Curtis J. Brown	4,274.72
Janie Jimenez	496.42
Julia Everitt	184.70
Connie Shaw	498.14
Tylar N. Thompson	184.70
US POSTAL SERVICE	78.00
BIG SPRINGS TRUCK AND TRAVEL	88.63
FRASER WELDING LLC	768.78
HUMPHREYS AUTO SUPPLY	39.36
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	846.59
KENFIELD ELECTRIC	114.52
MCQUILLAN & WENDELL PC, LLO	584.00
O'Reilly	42.40
OFFICE SERVICE	67.00
ONE CALL CONCEPTS INC	1.64
Superior Sanitation Services Inc.	1,200.00
BIG SPRINGS CEMETERY ASSOC	6,679.16
BIG SPRINGS TRUCK AND TRAVEL	138.91
Big Springs Tire & Auto Repair LLC	266.41
CHAPPELL REGISTER	127.82
CORE & MAIN	2,587.70
DEUEL COUNTY TREASURER	8,166.66
EdwardJones	175.00
HSB-FBO Curtis Brown	225.00
Henderson State Bank	12,250.00
Henderson State Bank	1,882.00
NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL LAB	75.00
RAUNER AND ASSOCIATES PC	5,233.75
SOUTH PLATTE SCHOOLS	10.00

U.S. Bank

648.37

Total: \$52,040.83

Huff moved to adjourn. Second Thompson. Yea: Everitt, Huff, Payne, Thompson, and DeCoste.
Motion passed, and the meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm

Richard Huff, Chairman
Village of Big Springs Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

Denise DeCoste, Village Clerk