

## **VILLAGE OF ELMWOOD**

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

**April 21, 2021 – 7:00 PM**

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**Meeting Held at Elmwood Village Hall**

The Village Board of Trustees met in regular session on Wednesday, April 21, 2021. Chairperson Miki Bruns called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Bruns stated that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was posted. **Roll Call** was answered by Jared Blunt, Pat Wray, Renee Holland, Becky Kicak & Miki Bruns.

**Minutes:** Holland made a motion, seconded by Wray to approve April 7, 2021 Minutes. RCV: Yes: All approved 5-0. Blunt made a motion, seconded by Holland to approve the Claims and Payroll for April 20, 2021 RCV: Yes: All approved 5-0

**Claims:** Black Hills Energy \$279.57, Bromm Lindahl Freeman-Caddy & Lausterer \$496, Cline Williams Wright Johnson & Oldfather \$22.50, DHHS Division of Public Health \$115, Elmwood Cultural Arts \$150, Hydro Optimization & Automation Solutions \$360, IRS \$718.36, Intuit QuickBooks \$5.25, Meeske Hardware \$309.72, Midwest Labs \$130.30, NE Dept. of Revenue \$1,917.70, NE Generator Service \$1,783.10, Verizon Wireless \$53.95, WireBuilt Company \$29, Payroll \$3,306.23 RCV: Yes: All approved 5-0

### **New Business**

#### **Discussion/Action Village of Elmwood's Insurance Policy Renewal with Clements Insurance Agency**

The board of trustee's discussed the price we are paying for insurance coverage and mentioned about shopping around and possibly putting bids out on other insurance companies to see if we can save any money. Holland made a motion to approve the policy renewal amount of \$20,190.00, Second by Kicak. RCV: Yes: All approved 5-0

#### **Discussion/Action Hire Summer help**

The village had two applicants apply for the summer help position. The board considered both boys and chose Gus Pope again. Wray made a motion to hire Gus Pope at \$10/hr and board will consider pay raise if he meets the boards expectations, Second by Kicak.

#### **Discussion/Action Painting the parking lines and handicap signs**

Jeff is going to get this done once the summer help starts. The board stated this is a good job for the summer help so as not to take away time that Jeff has for other things.

#### **Discussion/Action Permission for Elmwood Community Center to place a 5minute parking sign**

The board discussed the issue with the Center not having enough handicap parking and needing the 5-minute parking sign to unload and load patrons that cannot walk a long distance. It was decided by the board that the 5 min parking sign could be installed by the Center, possibly when they replace their sidewalks.

#### **Discussion/Action Elmwood Community Center sidewalk/stump removal**

The clerk was asked by a board member of the Community Center if the village was going to help with the cost of the stump removal in front of the building but the board discussed the issue and there aren't any funds to go towards this.

#### **Discussion/Action Flagpole Proclamation for American Legion – Bonnie Brewer**

Bonnie Brewer explained to the board that with Covid the Legion was not able to celebrate their 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday. So Bonnie was providing this Proclamation that the Chairperson for the board will sign stating why the celebration was not recognized. Bonnie also asked if the flagpole at the old city office could be moved to the new location. The board gave her permission to move the flagpole to current city office.

### **Unfinished Business**

#### **Discussion/ Action Bid from Layne Christensen for valve replacement**

Holland made a motion, seconded by Blunt to approve the bid from Layne Christensen for the valve replacement. It was decided by the board that the Clerk would discuss where to use the funds with Dave Ernst regarding budget monies. RCV: Yes: All approved 5-0

#### **Discussion/Action Bid from Nebraska Digging for smaller rock on B Street**

Holland made a motion, seconded by Kicak to approve bid from Nebraska Digging for smaller rock on B street in the amount of \$855.00. RCV: Yes: All approved 5-0

**Discussion/Action Bis from Nebraska Digging on moving the climbing dome to the ballfield**

Holland made a motion, seconded by Blunt to accept the bid from Nebraska Digging in the amount of \$2,000 for certified wood chips and the moving of the dome to the baseball field. RCV: Yes: All approved 5-0

**Discussion/Action wood chips from Tradewell for the park and climbing dome at the ballfield**

Holland made a motion, seconded by Kicak to NOT use the bid from Tradewell for the wood chips and moving of the dome.

**Discussion/Action Update on Main street buildings**

Bruns updated the board on the main street project stating that there was a little snag with the banking information. Bruns told the board about an account named "Mainstreet Building Fund" that is set up at the American Exchange Bank for patrons to make donations to help with the building removals. Bruns also mentioned that she received several Grants that would possibly help with the project. Bruns forwarded the Grant information to the Church as the Grants need to be completed by a Non-Profit Organization.

**Reports/Boards, Commissions, and Committees**

**Library:** Holland made a motion approve March 2021 Minutes, Second by Wray. RCV: Yes: All approved 5-0

**Park:** The rocking toys are ready to be installed at the park.

The park sign is almost done and will be ready for install.

Water Fountain has arrived and needs to be installed.

Jeff needs to get the park mowed, trimmed, and sprayed in preparation for the Farmers Market that starts May 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Streets:** Bauer Underground lowered inlet on B Street for better drainage and regraded for better water flow.

**Water:** No Report

**Sewer:** Sewer is running efficient and NDEE should be satisfied with the corrections made. Both flowmeters were calibrated, and E. Coli sampling will begin.

**Planning/Zoning:** Wray made a motion to approve March 2021 Minutes, Second by Holland. RCV: Yes: All approved 5-0 Next Meeting is May 11, 2021 @ 7:00pm

**Public Comment:**

**Correspondence:**

**Future Agenda Items:**

Comprehensive plan Ordinance

Zoning Ordinance

Sub-Division Ordinance

Ulmer Construction car/bike show

**Meeting adjourned at 7:56pm**

X *Miki Bruns*

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Miki Bruns  
Chairperson

X *Becky Kicak*

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Becky Kicak  
Board Member (took minutes)