

**VILLAGE OF BEAVER CROSSING  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 12, 2024**

The Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Beaver Crossing, Nebraska met in open session at 7:00 p.m., at the Village Hall June 12, 2024. The public had received advance notice of the meeting by posting the notice in the following places: Village Hall, Farmers & Merchants Bank and the U.S. Post Office. Upon roll call, the following board members were present: Jerry Zieg, Jere Leif, Lance Breikreutz, and Mike Banks, JP Black was absent. Members of the staff present were Clerk/Treasurer Peggy Pankoke, and Maintenance, Alex Kohout. Also present were members of the community. Chairman Zieg brought the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meeting Act Poster. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Mike Banks opened in prayer.

**LEASE AUCTION:** Chairman Zieg read the lease for the Old City Shop at 609 West St. and opened the bidding at \$100.00 a month. The bidding closed at \$150.00 monthly, awarded to Alan Stutzman. Lance Breikreutz made a motion to rent the building to Alan Stutzman for \$150.00 monthly. Mike Banks seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 4-0.

**AGENDA:** American Legion exterior building painting was added to the agenda. Jere Leif made a motion to approve the additional item to the agenda. Lance Breikreutz seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 4-0.

**MINUTES:** Corrections were needed, Auction was listed as June 14, should be June 12. Chairman Zieg visited with Steckly not Breikreutz. Jere Leif made a motion to approve the amended regular meeting minutes for May 8, 2024. Motion seconded by Lance Breikreutz. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 4-0. Mike Banks made a motion to approve the Planning Commission May 6 minutes. Jere Leif seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 4-0.

**FINANCIAL:** Lance Breikreutz made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Motion seconded by Jere Leif. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 4-0.

**CLAIMS:** were reviewed, Jere Leif made a motion to approve the claims. Motion seconded by Lance Breikreutz. Roll call vote, Leif, Breikreutz, Zieg voted aye, Banks abstained, motion carried 3-0-1.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Karen Kooyman was present and shared her grievance on Potter Repair always parking in front of her home. The Board asked Pankoke to send Potter Repair a letter with a copy of the ordinances.

**ZONING:** Building Permit 24-11, Rick Wichman to construct a metal storage shed at 101 Dimery Ave. Jere Leif made a motion to approve Building Permit 24-11. Motion seconded by Lance Breikreutz. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 4-0.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Pankoke read a thank you from Debra Fette for the interlocal funds for the library.

**MAINTENANCE REPORT:** Discussion was held on paying Jim Miller for mowing in the park/ball fields. Jim in the past has volunteered his time to mow. Jere Leif made a motion to pay Jim and hourly wage of \$18.00 an hour for mowing. Lance Breikreutz seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 4-0. Jere Leif will visit with Jim about working with Alex to set hours weekly. Discussion on ballfields may need some attention, may need dirt and aggregate. It has been 8 years of use and the fields need some maintenance. Jere Leif will meet with Jeff Cast and Mike Pankoke and make needed

improvements after fall softball. Jere Leif made a motion to purchase 12 bags of Infield conditioner from Odeys to get through the season. Lance Breikreutz seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 4-0. The street improvements by Bruce Stutzman have been finished. Alex shared that the Baby pool does have a leak, and adds about 50% water back daily, determination of where the water has been going hasn't been determined. Ray Forman gave a scope of the camera project; a lift would be helpful to complete project. Alex changed oil and fuel filters on the Streetsweeper, the hydraulics seem to have an issue. Alex suggested having Rose Equipment out to maintenance and train on the sweeper. The Board questioned Alex if he had received a bid from Stutzman for water line replacement on Miller St.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Nuisance properties, Board asked Pankoke to reach out to Attorney and advise for moving forward on the Elk St property. Park concrete cap, Lance will check with a Lincoln firm for a price to have it made. The board reviewed the changes made to the One & Six Year Street Plan. A correction should be made, plan list Center Street, should be listed as West St. Park vandalism, Officer Anderson visited with the youth, one of the parties cleaned and worked in the park for a full day. It was suggested that the other involved party do some community service also. Martin Street update, Zieg visited with Steckly, shared that the street would be 50 ft wide and needs to be strait. Steckly wanted to reconsider about the Village requirements. Leif and Zieg attended the Seward Co. Grant Writer meeting, and as of know this project is on hold.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Jere Leif made a motion to approve the street closing on Main St for Beaver Days, on August 3 from 5pm to 2am. Lance Breikreutz seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 4-0. Water / Sewer report was reviewed, not action taken. Lynn Schernikau pool manager was present and stated that they plan to do two teen nights over the summer with themes, cost will be \$5.00 per person. July 3 hours will be 11am to 3pm and Beaver Days hours will be 10am to 3pm. Suggested that the pool needs to be painted this fall. Alex will get paint ordered. Evan Eberspacher was present on behalf of the Am. Legion. Evan shared that the exterior of the Legion is in need of paint and shared estimated cost to paint and asked the Board to help pay since the building belongs to the Village. Lance Breikreutz made a motion to pay \$2,500.00 toward the exterior painting project. Mike Banks seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 4-0. The Hazard Mitigation plan will be moved to a Special meeting on June 19 at 7pm.

**BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:** Lance Breikreutz stated he had intentions to visit with Steckly on Martin St. changes, Zieg ended up meeting with Steckly. Lance stated he would prefer to have two people meet together instead of a one on one, and wondered why the plan changed. Zieg asked if he could use the ballfield, the board approved with no charge.

**CLERK REPORT:** Pankoke prepared a letter for the Card Service Center to move our cycle dates to avoid interest charges. Pankoke will attend the Municipal Accounting and Finance Conference in Lincoln on June 13, and 14.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting was adjourned at 9:00p.m.

Minutes approved by \_\_\_\_\_ Chairman of the Board

Attest \_\_\_\_\_ Clerk/ Treasurer