

**Beaver Crossing Nebraska
Village Board of Trustees
October 8, 2025 Regular Meeting**

The Village Board of Trustees met in regular session on October 8, 2025 at 7:00 p.m., at the Beaver Crossing Village Hall. 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, Kaely Eberspacher, Ray Foreman, and Brandon Mares. Members of the staff present were Clerk/Treasurer Peggy Pankoke, Maintenance, Ryan Kratochvil. Also present was members of the Planning Commission and our Attorney Matt Blaser. Chairman Zieg brought the meeting to order and announced the location of the Open Meeting Act Poster. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Ray Foreman opened in prayer.

Agenda: No changes in the agenda.

1 & 6 Year Public Hearing: Eberspacher made a motion to open the Public hearing for the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan. Motion seconded by Mares. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 5-0.

Minutes: Eberspacher made a motion to approve Sept. 10, Tax Request minutes. Motion seconded by Foreman. Roll call vote; Leif, Mares, and Zieg aye, Eberspacher and Foreman abstain. Motion carried 3-0-2. Eberspacher made a motion to approve the Sept. 10, Budget Hearing minutes. Motion seconded by Mares. Roll call vote; Mares, Leif, and Zieg all aye, Eberspacher and Foreman abstain. Motion carried 3-0-2. Eberspacher made a motion to approve Sept 10 Board minutes. Motion seconded by Leif. Roll call vote; Leif, Mares and Zieg all aye, Eberspacher and Foreman abstain. Motion carried 3-0-2. Eberspacher made a motion to approve Sept. 2 and Sept 29 Planning Commission minutes. Motion seconded by Mares. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 5-0.

Financial: Leif made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Motion seconded by Eberspacher. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 5-0.

Claims: Eberspacher made a motion to approve the claims. Motion seconded by Foreman. Roll call vote; Foeman, Leif, Mares, and Zieg aye, Eberspacher abstained, motion carried 4-0-1.

Public Comment: none.

BCV Fire Dept. Report: Scott Petersen reported that the department had 7 medical calls. The Department has received funds for the new pumper truck, the down payment of \$507,996.69 to Toyne will be made. Mares made a motion to add the payment to the Oct. claims. Eberspacher seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 5-0.

Planning Commission/ Zoning: Discussion was held on tiny homes gaining popularity. Leif made a motion to approve Building Permits 25-16, Jensen to install storage shed at 201 Dimery Ave. BP 25-20, Robinson to install garage at 407 Main St. and BP 25-21, VOBC to install bleacher shield over BB bleachers in park. Mares seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 5-0.

Correspondence: Pankoke shared that a man from Florida stopped by City Hall with a donation of \$300.00. He stayed in the park 8 years ago for 2 weeks and payment did not process. The Seward Co. Time Capsule was recently opened, a package from Beaver Crossing was returned to the town. The package was opened and inside were a Beaver Crossing history book, and several items about the Beaver Crossing Centennial in 1975.

Maintenance Report: Kratochvil stated that he is working with NE Rural Water locating water main shutoffs and exercising the valves, need to determine if they are working or need repair. Valve replacement cost is about \$10,000.00, size of main is important and if it is located in cement or gravel, we could get bids from Butzke and Stutzman.

James Burton with Burton Asphalt, gave a bid for sealing the asphalt and crack repair. Leif made a motion to allow Burton Asphalt to seal the asphalt and crack repair on Dimery Ave. and spend \$20,000.00. Eberspacher seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 5-0. The Board asked Burton about the cost of spreading asphalt on streets, for a 4" thickness it cost \$3.50 per square foot.

Close the One & Six; Eberspacher made a motion to close the 1 & 6 Year Road Plan Hearing. Foreman seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 5-0.

Unfinished Business:

- A. Resolution 25-5 Eberspacher made a motion to approve the Beaver Crossing Village 1 & 6 Year Road plan. Leif seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 5-0.
- B. Discussion on pool house improvements, bids were reviewed for plumbing, doors and floors, with a project cost of approximately \$40,000.00. Eberspacher made a motion that the Village spend \$15,000.00 toward the pool house project and apply for a Ihde Fund grant. Mares seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 5-0.
- C. Mares made a motion to declare 823 Elk St. Nuisance and order to abate. Foeman seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 5-0. The property will need to be cleaned up in 14 days, after that we will be able to go in and have it cleaned up. The cost of the clean up will be charged to the property owner, if not paid after two months it will be assessed to the property.
- D. Grounded Turf solutions gave a bid for softball field of \$13903.92 and baseball field of \$22,381.35 to add Ag lime and topdressing to the fields. Eberspacher made a motion to approve the bids for both fields from Grounded Turf Solutions. Mares seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 5-0. The Village will rent a sod cutter to remove 12" of grass from the field.
- E. A bid from Topline Steel for the bleacher shield for the baseball field of \$34,500, to order we need to pay deposit of \$13,450.00 from the donation fund that was donated. Leif made a motion to make the deposit and order the shield from Topline. Motion seconded by Eberspacher. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 5-0.
- F. Discussion on Ordinance 25-2, to repeal Section 3-211 Pitbulls and Cross breeds prohibited, 1st reading took place.
- G. Attorney Blaser shared information and options for the Village on Designing and building projects, that would benefit the Village. The Board would like Blaser to prepare a resolution
- H. for the Village.

New Business:

- A. Resolution 25-6, Eberspacher made a motion to approve the Municipal Annual Certification of Program Compliance 2025, Leif seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 5-0.
- B. Discussion was held on possibly purchasing a lot on the 800 block of Dimery south side, no action.
- C. Discussed possibly selling Village property behind City Hall, no action taken.

Board Member Reports: **Zieg** talked about how the Board responds to issues, we should take time to examine the problem before accusation. **Mares** asked if the old Beaver arch could be stored in the quonset. Mares also asked about when the cottonwood on S. Main will be taken out? **Foreman** reported that the A/C unit at Legion will need to be replaced. **Leif** said many of the town streets are in need of gravel. Leif asked Pankoke to send a letter to 411 Main St to cleanup property. Leif stated that the homerun fence on the softball field has been damaged and will partially need replaced. **Eberspacher** suggested that the Village employees document time in and time out on time cards. Eberspacher asked Pankoke to post the Village agenda on the window of City Hall. Invited the Board to attend a Water Utility workshop in Fairbury on October 28.

Clerk Report: Pankoke reported that the new copier was installed. There is a group that would like to use the City Hall the first Tuesday of the month at 6pm for community prayer, Board approved

Adjournment: Eberspacher made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Foreman. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:36p.m.

Minutes approved by _____ Chairman of the Board

Attest _____ Clerk/ Treasurer