

**Beaver Crossing Nebraska
Village Board of Trustees
September 10, 2025 Regular Meeting**

The Village Board of Trustees met in regular session on September 10, 2025 at 7:13 p.m. following the Tax Request and Budget Hearing 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, and Brandon Mares. Members of the staff present were Clerk/Treasurer Peggy Pankoke, Maintenance, Ryan Kratochvil. Also present was Chris Heater Chairman of the Planning Commission. Chairman Zieg brought the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meeting Act Poster.

Agenda: Additions to the agenda were, new water line at 322 Main St. and pool house improvements. Leif made a motion to approve additions to the agenda. Motion seconded by Mares. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 3-0.

Minutes: Zieg made a motion to approve the minutes of the Aug 13 meeting and Public Hearing. Motion seconded by Leif. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 3-0.

Financial: Zieg made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Motion seconded by Leif. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 3-0.

Claims: Zieg made a motion to approve the claims. Motion seconded by Mares. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 3-0.

Public Comment: J. O'Hare shared that the BC Vol Fire Dept currently does not charge for EMS calls, he believes it would be advantageous. Most of the surrounding area does charge. O'Hare will share information with the fire department.

BCV Fire Dept. Report: S. Petersen shared that the AC in the ambulance has been repaired, they borrowed an extra ambulance from the Utica department during the repair. There is a rotation for receiving funds in Seward County for new equipment, Beaver Crossing would receive \$100,000.00 every 11 years toward a new truck. Currently they are 18 months out from a new pumper truck and the cost would be \$550,000.00. Mares will meet with Ayers & Ayers to go over building addition plans.

Planning Commission/ Zoning: Building permit 25-13, Foley fence at 810 Center St the property lines have not yet been determined. Building permit 25-17, Baack home addition at 4233 Pioneer Rd. Leif made a motion to approve BP 25-17. Motion seconded by Mares. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 3-0. Building Permit 25-18 & 25-19, Butzke adding a shed and deck at 201 Maple St. Mares made a motion to approve both BP 25-18 & 25-19. Motion seconded by Leif. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 3-0. Heater stated that BP 25-15 would like to move in a tiny house less than 500 square feet, currently zoning allows homes of 900 square foot or larger. Heater will look further into this.

Correspondence: none.

Maintenance Report: Kratochvil stated that end of year pool maintenance was taking place, the refrigerator will need to be replaced The leak at the slide needs to be determined, the problem with baby pool has been taken care of. The trees on south Main St. should get finished this week. Sewer drain on Main St. was cleaned. Kratochvil's new computer was installed. Kratochvil will reach out to Hemphill for street cleaning training. A Rural Water rep will be out to exercise water shut-offs. We will get bids to replace the four main water shut-offs if they do not work. A new water line will need to be installed at 322 Main St. and the old line abandoned.

Unfinished Business:

- A. Leif reached out to Grounded Turf, they will schedule the ballfields and determine final cost, no action taken. Sprinklers will need to be marked before work begins.
- B. The CDBG application was available for inspection. Chairman Zieg stated that the current Community building at 1019 Elk St. would be demolished and replaced with a new building if we receive the grant.
- C. Nuisance work will begin, Mares will start the project with 823 Elk St.
- D. Washington St. was discussed and we will cleanup some of the trees on the west side of Washington, spray it and add some rock. Water was over the road on Oak St. and it was determined that there needs to be a culvert installed at 713 Oak St. Leif made a motion to purchase and install a 20' x 12" culvert. Mares seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 3-0.
- E. Ordinance 3-211 & 212 was discussed about Pit Bulls, our Attorney did not believe it is necessary to make any changes since we do not currently license dogs in the Village, if the dog is deemed dangerous the Seward Co Sheriff will follow the State laws.
- F. Leif shared many needed improvements for the Pool House that has not been improved for years. We will reach out for bids and may apply for an Ihde grant.

New Business:

- A. Resolution 25-3, adoption of the 2025-2026 Village of Beaver Crossing budget. Mares made a motion to approve Resolution 25-3. Motion seconded by Leif. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 3-0.
- B. Resolution 25-4, the 2025-2026 Property Tax request to be set at \$120,000.00 for the Village. Mares made a motion to approve Resolution 25-4. Motion seconded by Leif. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 3-0.
- C. End of year transfers were discussed. Leif made a motion to transfer \$50,000.00 to Pool & Park Fund, \$20,000.00 to the Street Fund and \$15,000.00 to the Water Fund. Motion seconded by Mares. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 3-0.
- D. Winer Propane contract was discussed, Zieg made a motion to purchase 2800 gallons of propane at the prepaid price of \$1.35 a gallon from Farmers Union Coop of Friend. Mares seconded the motion. Roll call vote, all aye, motion carried 3-0.
- E. Eberspacher will attend the LNM Annual conference Sept. 25 & 26 in Lincoln, she will also be paid mileage for this conference and the one that she attended in the spring.

Board Member Reports: none.

Clerk Report: Pankoke reported that Gayle Steiger with Romans Wiemer CPA stated that it is acceptable to have the BC Chamber receive grant funds through the Village since the Chamber is not a 501 C 3 organization.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 9:02p.m.

Minutes approved by _____ Chairman of the Board

Attest _____ Clerk/ Treasurer