PENDER, NEBRASKA

VILLAGE PROCEEDINGS

July 8th, 2024

A public hearing and a regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was held in the Village Board Room in said Village on the 8th day of July 2024 at 7:00 P.M. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by posting said notice in three public places: Pender Post Office, Thruston County Court House and Pender Village Office. Notice to the Chairperson and Board of Trustees was given by email and a copy of the acknowledgement of receipt is attached. The agenda was communicated in advance notice to the Chairman and Board of Trustees and available to the public at the Village Office. An agenda for the meeting was kept continuously current and available for public inspection during regular office hours at least three days prior to meeting. No changes may be made 24 hours prior to a meeting.

Present on the roll call: Chairman: Chris Reha, Trustees: Dr. David Hoelting, Robbie Welsh and Terry Mailloux. Staff present: Glen Gralheer, Village Administrator, Chris Brader, Utility Superintendent, Nicole Tyrrell-Feltes, Office personnel. Public attendance: Jenna Kennedy, Candice Gardea, Scott Pfeiffer, Ron Klein and Jason Sturek with the Pender Times.

Chairman Reha called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Chairman Reha notified that pursuant to Section 84-1412 (8) of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room and was available to the public.

A motion was made to open the public hearing at 7:00 P.M. by Hoelting, seconded by Welsh to consider the adoption of the one- and six-year Street Improvement Plan. Voting AYE: Hoelting, Mailloux, Welsh and Reha. Voting NAY: None. ABSENT: Powley. Motion carried. Matthew Smith from Olsson gave a brief description of what the plan entailed. Smith stated that the streets for the one-year plan potentially involved the streets that will include fixing the wastewater collection system. Smith was available for questions, there were none. A motion was made to close the public hearing at 7:29 P.M. by Hoelting, seconded by Welsh. Voting AYE: Mailloux, Welsh, Hoelting and Reha. Voting NAY: None. ABSENT: Powley. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mailloux, seconded by Hoelting to approve the minutes of the June 24th special meeting. Voting AYE: Mailloux, Welsh, Hoelting and Reha. Voting NAY: None. ABSENT: Powley. Motion carried.   
A motion was made by Hoelting, seconded by Mailloux to approve the minutes of the June 24th meeting. Voting AYE: Welsh, Hoelting, Mailloux and Reha. Voting NAY: None. ABSENT: Powley. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Via phone, Matt Torczon asked for a follow-up on the Ivan Street speeding problem. Mailloux stated he talked to Sheriff Briggs and the department would patrol it but asked the public to call in when an incident happened.

OLD BUSINESS: None  
  
NEW BUSINESS:  
The decision on the customer electrical claim was postponed to speak with the village’s insurance company. Jenna Kennedy addressed the board. Kennedy has filed a tort claim according to state statue and is asking for $4,609.00 plus cost of fixing double ovens for appliances she lost due to a power surge and low voltage.   
Candice Gardea addressed the board. Gardea informed the board that her bill was not calculated with the same multiplier as previous months. The board will look into that. Gardea asked about deposits on the rentals she owns. The ordinance states any new customers must pay a deposit. The board will look into an addendum to excuse landlords from paying a deposit between renters.   
A motion was made by Hoelting, seconded by Mailloux to approve Resolution 2024-3, 1&6 year Street Improvement Plan. Voting AYE: Hoelting, Mailloux, Welsh and Reha. Voting NAY: None. ABSENT: Powley. Motion carried.  
A motion was made by Hoelting, seconded by Welsh to approve the suspending the reading of 3 for Ordinance 693. Voting AYE: Mailloux, Welsh, Hoelting and Reha. Voting NAY: None. ABSENT: Powley. Motion carried.  
A motion was made by Hoelting, seconded by Welsh to approve Ordinance 693. Voting AYE: Welsh, Hoelting, Mailloux and Reha. Voting NAY: None. ABSENT: Powley. Motion carried.  
The decision on the overdue Blue Ox gas bill was postponed due to more research. Nate Mueller with Blue Ox presented the board with his findings based on past bills and thinks the meter read wrong for four/five months. Grahleer researched the meter as well and is not able to explain the readings.   
A discussion on National Incident Management System (NIMS) was held. Mailloux explained this program is how to respond to natural disasters. This is also required of board members to take for federal grant applications.   
A discussion on a community meeting for the Wastewater Treatment Plant and Collection System. A public meeting will be held July 16th, 2026 at the Community Center at 7:00 P.M. This meeting is to give the public the opportunity to hear about the plans for the sewer system. Main points will be that the treatment plan is a must, but the collection system is open to different levels of completion.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:   
Chris Brader, Utility Superintendent None  
Dr Hoelting Wanted to know when pool vacuum would be back. Reported a loose bolt on small diving board. Happy the heater was working. Would reschedule a time with rescue department for lifeguard state training.   
Office None  
Chris Reha Asked board would direction they wanted to go with electrical claim for customer. Could either pay the customer, turn into insurance or go as far as taking it to court. It was decided to turn into insurance and find out the depreciation value before presenting the customer with a settlement amount.   
Terry Mailloux Reported the low voltage conversion project was complete. Stated they are getting the light plant ready for a generator test on the 19th. Wants to look into getting an air compressor for the plant.  
Robbie Welsh Would like the alley connecting the school parking lots to be fixed as soon as possible. Next spring, wants to put in a sidewalk to make the ball parks accessible for wheelchairs. Will be working with the village attorney to change the nuisance to a three person board that will look at the properties before taking action. If need be, the committee will send a letter then involve the police department if nothing is done. Complimented Crystal on the paint job in the park.   
Ron Klein Handed out packets to the board members of what he has done at wastewater plant the last two weeks.  
Glen Grahleer, Village Administrator American Legal returned the codification code book but wants to test it before it goes live on the website. Last week was approve from Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to start phase one of the Rattlesnake Creek Project. Phase one is more engineering and permits. Government will pay up to $568,000.00 and the village would be expected to pay $63,000.00 for this project. Budget worksheets are in from Ortmeier. Ortmeier is willing to help but wants the board to do most of the work. The week of July 15th, Grahleer plans on starting employee evaluations.   
  
A motion was made by Hoelting, seconded by Welsh to approve the financial report. Voting AYE: Mailloux, Welsh, Hoelting and Reha. Voting NAY: None. ABSENT: Powley. Motion carried.  
A motion was made by Hoelting, seconded by Mailloux to approve the budget, expenditure, claims, transfers and payroll. Voting AYE: Mailloux, Welsh, Hoelting and Reha. Voting NAY: None. ABSENT: Powley. Motion carried.

**CLAIMS AND PAYROLL** [Se=Services, R=Retirement, T=Taxes, Su=Supplies, I=Insurance, Re=Reimbursement, A=Advertisement, C=Contract Labor, Tr=Training]

VILLAGE: Salaries, Se 37681.15, EFTPS, T 7217.69, Mid-American Benefits, I 16.40, John Hancock, R 1036.32, American Legal Publishing, Se 6097.42, Appeara, Su 242.89, Aqua-Chem, Su 954.60, Brad Meyer, C 5100.00, BVH Architecture, Se 11411.88, Charter West, HSA 1140.00, Cintas, Su 30.60, Dutton-Lainson Company, Su 225.04, EMC Insurance, I 10628.83, John Hancock, R 335.16, Farabee Mechanical, Se 5045.74, Fastwyre Broadband, Se 523.50, Frontier Bank, HSA 1845.00, Hometown Leasing, Se 155.14, Ingram Library Services, Su 893.78, J.P. Cooke, Su 74.07, John Deere Financial, Su 1555.99, K&C Grain, Su 5600.93, Mel’s Small Engine, Se 60.00, Mutual of Omaha, I 184.75, National Public Gas Agency, Se 11922.07, Nebraskaland Magazine, Su 44.00, One Call Concepts, Se 70.13, Pender Ace Hardware, Su 34.55, Pender Community Development, Se 10000.00, Pierce Utilities, C 2421.60, Readers Digest, Su 29.96, River Valley Underground, Se 84180.00, Ron Klein, C 1500.00, S2 Roll Offs, Se 1733.20, Sapp Bros Petroleum, Su 267.99, Stingray Technology, Se 2035.68, Sturek Media, A 489.96, Thurston Co Sheriff Dept, Se 18208.32, TM Painting and Handyman, Se 1480.80, US Dept of Energy, Se 876.55, Utility Equipment, Su 697.98, VOP, Utility 12642.66, VOP – Petty Cash, Su 100.00, Wesco, Su 8599.34  
AIRPORT: EFTPS, T 160.66, Northeast Power, Se 17.00, Pender Public Schools, Re 352.00  
BOND: Frontier Bank, Bond 113010.00  
LIBRARY: EMC Insurance, I 184.00  
RESCUE: EFTPS, T 226.28, Fastwyre Broadband, Se 52.94, Leslie Timm, Tr 450.00, Quick Med Claims, Se 304.73, Verizon, Se 6.96, Matheson Tri-Gas, Su 119.87

A motion was made by Hoelting, seconded by Welsh to adjourn at 9:22 P.M. Voting AYE: Welsh, Hoelting, Mailloux and Reha. Voting NAY: None. ABSENT: Powley. Motion carried.

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Chris Reha, Chairman

Board of Trustees

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Nicole Tyrrell-Feltes

Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF PENDER

THURSTON COUNTY

STATE OF NEBRASKA

CERTIFICATE

I, THE UNDERSIGNED VILLAGE CLERK hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and current copy of the proceedings had and done by the Chairman and Board of Trustees of this meeting. That all the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the said agenda for the meeting and kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Village clerk. Those subjects were contained in said agenda for twenty-four hours and prior to the next convened meeting of the said body. That at least one copy of the reproducible material discussed at the said meeting was available for public inspection at the office of the Village Clerk and within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of the said body. That all news media request notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at the said meeting.

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Nicole Tyrrell-Feltes

Village Clerk