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Welcome to  
**STERLING NEBRASKA**  
SMALL TOWN... BIG HEART

## VILLAGE VIEW

*Winner of the Sterling Community Association  
Sterling Holiday Lights Tour and Contest is  
Billy and Crystal Kaster.*



### The Chairman's Corner,

Happy New Year everyone! We are starting a new year and looking forward to what we as a community can bring to it! The Village has several projects that will be accomplished in 2022. The first is the replacing of the Broadway St Bridge; it is out to bid right now! The Board is also looking at street work that needs to be done and completing the updating of the Comprehensive Plan which will help us in getting grants to help upgrade the water system, etc. Another is working with businesses to replace sidewalks. Let us know if there is something else you would like to see the Board work on improving! The Board wishes all well in 2022 and let's keep working to better our community. Keep smiling!

God Bless,

John Keizer, Chairman



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Village of Sterling Nebraska

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### Village Personnel:

- ◆ Samantha Gordon - Village Clerk/  
Zoning Administrator
- ◆ Spencer Pagel - Village Superintendent
- ◆ Becky Barney - Sterling Librarian
- ◆ Denise Horstman - Cemetery Secretary

### Board Members:

- ◆ John Keizer-Village Chairman
- ◆ Ralph Wusk-Pro Tempore
- ◆ Steve Lempka
- ◆ Tom Nieveen
- ◆ Dan Fraley

## NOTICE OF VACANCY

- Notice is hereby given to all interested persons of a vacancy on the Planning Commission, of the Village of Sterling, Nebraska due to the resignation of Kirstin McAuliffe. Any person selected to fill the unexpired term will serve until December, 2022 and then be up for reappointment. Any person interested in such vacancy must be a qualified registered voter residing in the Village of Sterling. All persons interested in being considered for such vacancy should submit their name in writing to the Sterling Village Clerk at P.O. Box 309, Sterling, Nebraska 68443 by or on February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022.
- Notice is hereby given to all interested persons of a vacancy on the Cemetery Board, of the Village of Sterling, Nebraska due to the resignation of Wilma Nieveen. Any person selected to fill the unexpired term will serve until December, 2022 and then be up for reappointment. All persons interested in being considered for such vacancy should submit their name in writing to the Sterling Village Clerk at P.O. Box 309, Sterling, Nebraska 68443 by or on February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

### CLERK UPDATES-Samantha Gordon

- ◆ Sterling's Community Development Block Grant-Owner Occupied Rehabilitation has been approved and funds have been allocated in the amount of \$315,000. This project will fulfill a National Objective by benefiting our low-and moderate-income persons. For those of you that filled out a pre-application keep an eye out for the application in the mail coming from Southeast Nebraska Development District (SEND). You will have thirty days to return the application. If you missed out on the pre-applications they are still accepting applications and more information is on our website under Village Forms and Sterling Housing and Rehabilitation Program. If you have any questions you may call the Village Office.
- ◆ NPPD has conducted a review of the existing retail rate schedules in 2022, overall the retail rate change will not change for the ninth consecutive year.
- ◆ Rural Garbage Customers– you may contact Waste Connections of Nebraska or Seneca Sanitation for your trash needs as the roll off has been removed from the yard waste site due to illegal dumping.

### LIBRARIAN UPDATES-Becky Barney

- \* The new year is here! And wow, the library has so many amazing things coming up. We received three grants this last month which will let us do so much. Keep your ears and eyes open.
- \* Our new Friends of the Library Group will be up and running by the end of January. Thank you to those who volunteered. Do you want to be a part of this awesome group of people? Let Sam or me know.
- \* AND we have a new Sterling Library Facebook page! Thank you Sam, for your hard work on that.
  - \* Follow us on Facebook at Sterling, NE Public Library

### STERLING COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION UPDATE

The SCA is looking for 3 new community members to jump in this year to replace the 3 who are coming off the SCA Board in January. If you haven't gotten a chance to volunteer and give back to the community, now's your chance! It's a great way to get involved and meet new people too. It takes the community to keep our little village going and growing. All help is always appreciated.

For more information on this check out Sterling Community Association on Facebook.

*The Village View can advertise local non-profit upcoming events. If a local organization has an event that they would like included in the Village View, please email: [Samantha Gordon @ village.sterling@gmail.com](mailto:Samantha.Gordon@village.sterling@gmail.com)*