

REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
STERLING, NEBRASKA

The Chairman and Board of Trustees of the Village of Sterling, Nebraska, met in regular session on Tuesday, October 11, 2011 at 7:33 p.m. at the Sterling Fire Barn in a publicly convened meeting the same being open to the public and having been preceded by advanced publicized notice. Chairman Dennis Heusman called the meeting to order. Trustees answering roll call: Scott Buss, Vane Rengstorf, Dwight Weiss, Chuck Wingert. Others present: Steve Weiss, Steve Eickhoff, Steve Mercure, Audrey Keebler, LeRoy Riensche, Craig Heitbrink, Angie Dolbow, Gracym Dolbow, Pam Stieren, Joe Pella.

Chairman Heusman acknowledged the Open Meetings Act and location on the north wall of the Sterling Fire Barn. Wingert made a motion to approve the minutes of September 11, 2011, with the correction to the minutes pertaining to benches at the park and not the cemetery and Rengstorf seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried. Buss made a motion to allow the bills as presented and Rengstorf seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried. These bills were approved for payment:

All Roads Barricade, signs-61.77; Barco, signs-779.48; Black Hills Energy, fuel-79.73; BMG, fee-326.90; Constellation energy, fuel-16.26; Doug Heusman, rock-336.00; Gage County Equipment, bobcat repairs-454.80; First National Bank Omaha, sup.-298.75; Great Plains One Call, fee-6.02; Hawkins, Inc. sup.-245.50; Home & Farm Ins., walking path lights ins.-20.00; Ivan Heusman, mileage-240.00; Jet Stop Inc., fuel-758.48; Kuhl Trenching, water repairs-285.00; Library books-198.61; MCI, phones-26.79; Midwest Labs, fee-29.53; Municipal Supply, Inc., sup.-1366.30; NE Dept. of Rev., wh taxes-422.91; NPPD, electricity, 2359.97; NPHEL, fee-26.00; Payroll-6203.76; Payroll Taxes-1188.07; SENE Coop, sup.-90.67; Stan Borchert Mowing, cem. mowing-730.00; Steve Mercure, fee-100.00; Steve Weiss, fee-114.60; Voice News, pub.-108.57; Westside Auto Supply, sup.-57.86; Windstream, phones-238.37; Wusk Power Equipment, sup.-473.56. Total: \$17,854.27.

The Board of Trustees discussed the dog kennel for Angie Dolbow's dangerous dog. After viewing photos of the kennel, they were satisfied that the kennel met the resolution requirements.

Joe Pella was present to discuss a problem with brown water. Part of the problem is due to a low spot at his location. Hydrant flushing will begin soon and flushing that hydrant monthly should help alleviate the problem.

LeRoy Riensche, utility superintendent, reported on the following: repairing a service line was delayed due to the company sending the wrong materials; service line repair is complete; an individual used camper hookup at the park for two weeks without paying; individuals using garbage service without payment for the service; winterizing equipment and park buildings; park will be closed November 1, 2011 pending other scheduled events; handicap parking stall added at the park; mowing season for the park completed; heater at park wellhouse is being repaired.

Steve Eickhoff, Fire Chief, reported that a Fire Prevention Program was presented at Sterling Public School; Wusk Repair is working on a fire truck; ride a longs still a problem with the fire department. Only one building permit is pending.

Weiss made a motion to approve a stop sign for park entrance and exit at Iowa and Lincoln Streets and Buss seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried.

Weiss made a motion to enter a contract agreement with Maguire Iron for the water tower and Buss seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried.

Delinquent utility bills were discussed and will be addressed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Dennis Heusman, Chairman of the Board

Lola Wentz, Village Clerk