

REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
STERLING, NEBRASKA

The Chairman and Board of Trustees of the Village of Sterling met in regular session on Tuesday, December 11, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sterling Fire Barn in a publicly convened session the same being open to the public and having been preceded by advanced publicized notice. The Open Meetings Act was read. Chairman Dennis Heusman called the meeting to order. Trustees answering roll call were: Stan Karr, Vane Rengstorf, Dwight Weiss, Chuck Wingert. Visitors: LeRoy Riensche, Audrey Keebler, Jack Weyers.

Reorganization proceedings: Weiss nominated Dennis Heusman as Chairman of the Board and Wingert seconded the motion. Roll call vote: yeas: all. Motion carried. Committees for 2008: streets and brush site-Heusman and Weiss; water and wastewater-Karr and Heusman; park and recreation-Karr and Heusman-cemetery-Weiss and Karr. Personnel appointments: clerk-treasurer-Lola Wentz; librarian-Sue Wilken; utility superintendent-LeRoy Riensche; village attorney-Steve Mercure; security guard-Ivan Heusman; zoning administrator-Jack Weyers; grants-Chuck Wingert; insurance-Dwight Weiss. Library board members-Jean Albrecht, Jackie Brammeier, Becky Barney, Shirley Zink. All personnel and committees were approved as assigned by the board chairman. Karr made a motion to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting held November 13, 2007 and Rengstorf seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried. These bills were approved for payment in a motion by Wingert and Weiss seconded the motion. Vote: Karr, Weiss, Wingert, Heusman. Abstaining: Rengstorf. Motion carried. These bills were approved for payment: Aquila, fuel-398.88; BAB, clean ditches, cemetery, SENE Coop, repair dam north of Sterling-6607.00; Carp's, fuel-563.85; City of Tecumseh, handibus fee-300.00; Concrete Industries, concrete-553.58; D & D Communications-rep.-99.00; Employees Benefit Program, Riensche ins.-200.00; First National Bank of Omaha, sup.-187.06; Great Plains One Call, fee-25.54; Hawkins Water Treatment, sup.-25.79; Ivan Heusman, mileage-240.00; Jack Weyers, fee-104.06; Jeff Bessey, snow removal-50.00; Library books-166.85; MCI, phones-12.72; NDEQ, fee-150.00; NDEQ, sewer payment-6343.19; NPPD, ele.1598.59; NPHEL, fee-16.00 Nestor & Mercure, fee-100.00; Payroll-4371.51; Payroll taxes-928.84; Roger Huls, sup.-146.93; Vane Rengstorf, snow removal-190.25; Voice News, pub.-39.60; Waymire Well, sup.-45.69; Westside Auto-rep.302.19; Windstream, phones-439.97; Wusk Power Equipment, rep.-77.90 Total: \$24,284.99.

Weiss made a motion to close and lock village park from November 15, 2007 until March 15, 2008. Karr seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried.

LeRoy Riensche, utility superintendent, reported: gearhead installed for well by Sargent Drilling; generators and cost of hookups; reduction in salt stockpile.

Building permits for Ervin Hansen and Ryan McAuliffe were approved.

There was discussion on the surveillance camera with no action taken.

Wingert made a motion to adopt a resolution for Operations Plan for Disaster Response and Recovery and Weiss seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried.

Weiss made a motion to accept Todd Pella as a member of the Sterling Fire Department and Rengstorf seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Dennis Heusman, Board Chairman

Lola Wentz, Village Clerk