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 12, 2006 at 7:06 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: Vane Rengstorf, Dwight Weiss, Chuck Wingert. Absent: Stan Karr. Others present: Steve Mercure, LeRoy Riensche, Roland Philippi, Brett Barney.

Steve Mercure, village attorney, administered the Oath of Office to the re-elected board members, Dennis Heusman, Dwight Weiss, Chuck Wingert. Nominations were open for board chairman. Wingert nominated Dennis Heusman and Weiss seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: Rengstorf, Weiss, Wingert. Motion carried. Heusman will continue as chairman of the board for the ensuing year.

Rengstorf made a motion to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting November 14, 2006 and Weiss seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried. There was discussion on bills presented for payment. Wingert made a motion to add \$10,000 to the Village of Sterling money market account and Rengstorf seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried. Wingert made a motion to allow the bills and Rengstorf seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: Heusman, Rengstorf, Wingert. Abstaining: Weiss. Motion carried.

These bills were approved for payment: Aquila, heating fuel-667.17; Bio-Key, sup.-73.50; Carp's, fuel-195.24; City of Tecumseh, handibus expense-300.00; DEQ, sewer payment-6368.71; Employee Benefit Program, Reinsche insurance-1800.00; Doug Heusman, rock-277.20; Dwight Weiss, guard rail posts and street cuts-160.00; First National Bankcard, sup.-103.45; First National Bank, savings-10,000.00; Ivan Heusman, mileage-248.00; Jack Weyers, fee-104.06; Larry Agena, guard rail-413.00; Library books-243.72; MCI, phones-12.54; Municipal Supply, sup.-282.35; NPPD, ele.-2208.00; Nestor & Mercure, fee-100.00; Payroll-4343.59; Payroll taxes-926.56; Stan Borcher, seeding-45.00; State of NE, fee-28.00; Sterling Fire Department, firemen's convention exp.-378.90; Voice News, pub.-41.56; Waymire Well, rep.-231.76; Westside auto, sup.-119.58; Windstream, phones-403.27; Wusk Power Equipment, rep.-32.75; Total: Delinquent utility customers will be notified by posted notices in an effort to keep all accounts current.

LeRoy Riensche, utility superintendent, reported on the following: water class January 10, 2006 at Tecumseh free of charge; tractor repairs; sewer line repairs; water tower; Diode Cable will be billed for one-half of NPPD service charge for their usuage share. Brett Barney, Tree Board Member, reported: Tree City USA application must be sent to Arbor Day Foundation by January 31, 2007.

Chairman Heusman reported that Johnson County will meet with the village board to discuss cost share of bridge repair on East Broadway Street bridge.

A check for \$1800.00 will be placed in the Employee Benefit account for Reinsche's insurance.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Dennis Heusman, Board Chairman

Lola Wentz, Village Clerk