

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 14, 2010 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. Chairman Dennis Heusman called the meeting to order. Trustees answering roll call were: Vane Rengstorf, Dwight Weiss, Chuck Wingert. Absent: Scott Buss. Others present: Steve Mercure, LeRoy Riensche, Steve Eickhoff, Steve Weiss, Jeff Bessey.

This was the annual reorganization meeting and nominations for chairman were made. Weiss nominated Rengstorf and Wingert nominated Heusman. Motions failed. Village Attorney Mercure administered the Oath of Office to the re-elected Board of Trustee members, Heusman, Weiss, Wingert. Buss joined the meeting in progress at 7:15 p.m.

Nominations for chairman were made by Wingert for Heusman; Weiss for Rengstorf. Voting was done by ballots and the results were as follows: Heusman-3/Rengstorf-1. One ballot was blank. Heusman will remain board chairman for 2011. Appointments for positions and committees will be made at the regular January 2011 meeting. Chairman Heusman acknowledged the Open Meetings Act and the location being on the north wall of the Sterling Fire Barn.

Weiss made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2010 meeting and Wingert seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried. There was discussion on bills presented for payment. The bills were approved in motion by Weiss with the exception of Sargent Drilling pending confirmation of completed work for \$8,593.30 and Buss seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried.

These bills were approved for payment: American Legal Publishing, code books-650.00; Black Hills Energy, fuel-203.79; City of Tecumseh, handibus exp.-300.00; Constellation Energy, fuel-188.01; D & D Communications, pager rep.-1396.90; (one-half to be paid by the Sterling Rural Fire Department); Employees Benefit Program, Riensche ins.-200.00; First National Bank, sup.-101.94; Great Plains One Call-fee-3.95; Hawkins, Inc., sup.-252.85; Hein Construction, crack sealing-18702.40; Home & Farm Ins., ins.-178.00; Ivan Heusman, mileage-256.00; Jet Stop Inc., fuel-548.97; Jorgensen Surveying, fee-400.00; Kuhl Trenching, rep.-1542.50; Library books-663.90; Midwest Labs, fee-119.00; Municipal Supply, sup.-2389.32; NDEQ, sewer payment-6261.10; NPHEL, fees-78.00; NPPD, ele.-1710.04; Pavers, street rep.-4780.00; Payroll - 5538.80; Payroll taxes - 1054.43; Presto-X, fee-72.10; Richardson Tree Service, tree removal-1100.00; Steve Mercure, fee-100.00; Steve Weiss, fee-111.25; Steve Weiss, sup.-FD-157.00; Voice News, pub.-31.56; Westside Auto, sup.-274.14; Windstream, phones-184.42; Wusk Power Equipment, rep.-1165.06.. Total: \$50515.43

LeRoy Riensche, utility superintendent, reported on the following topics: sewer discharge completed; concrete hauled from brush site; water leak repaired; water supply parts stock will be ordered; dog problem; radiator on pickup repaired; Everette Wusk will check front end alignment on the pickup per board's approval.

Fire Chief, Steve Eickhoff, reported on the department's recent election of officers: fire chief-Steve Eickhoff; Assistant fire chief-Dan Hietbrink; president-Steve Masur; vice-