

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, April 10, 2007 at 7:30 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. Absent: Chuck Wingert. Others present: Steve Mercure, LeRoy Riensche, Audrey Keebler, Brett and Becky Barney, Roland Philippi, Tim Norris. Weiss made a motion to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting February 13, 2007 and Karr seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried. There was discussion on bills presented for payment. The village share of insurance for the fire barn billed by the Rural Fire Department was discussed. The bills were approved for payment in a motion by Rengstorf and Weiss seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried.

These bills were approved for payment: Aquila, heating fuel-1283.27; Basso, McClure & Goeglein, fee-42.00; Carp's, fuel-458.28; Beatrice Public Works, sewer jetting-459.16; City of Tecumseh, sewer jetting-250.00; Employees Benefit Program, Riensche ins.-200.00; First National Bank of Omaha, sup.-175.87; Great Plains One Call-fee-4.04; Ivan Heusman, mileage-248.00; Jack Weyers, fee-104.06; Library books-249.91; Matt Saathoff, concession stand rep.-260.00; MCI, phones-12.73; Municipal Supply, sup.-194.79; Nebraska Department of Revenue, taxes-293.22; NPPD, ele.-2701.80; Nestor & Mercure, fee-100.00; Olsson Associates, fee-437.78; Pavers, rock-597.58; Payroll-4397.17; Payroll taxes-932.76; Sterling Lumber, sup.-33.50; Sterling Rural Fire Department, ins.-2255.00; Voice News, pub.-35.35; Westside Auto, sup.-44.07; Wusk Power Equipment, rep.-57.70. Total: \$15,828.03.

After discussion on the delinquent utility bills, Karr made a motion to have all accounts within \$100.00 by May 1, 2007 or they will be shutoff. Weiss seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried.

LeRoy Riensche, utility superintendent, reported on the following topics: Babureck Metal Preserving did not respond to a request to attend this board meeting to discuss water tower painting, etc.; Francis VanGroningen will begin mowing the park; tree trimming at the new parking lot; using vacation days May 17-24; street crack sealing. A zoning permit for Sheila Pella was approved.

Audrey Keebler, Sterling Tree Board Member, reported on tree replacements at the park. Chairman Heusman signed the Arbor Day Proclamation for April 27, 2007. Karr made a motion to grant the Tree Board \$500.00 to purchase trees and Rengstorf seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried.

Karr made a motion to approve a liquor license for the Sterling Community Association from 1:00 p.m. July 14, 2007 until 1:00 a.m. July 15, 2007 for the Sterling Picnic. Weiss seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried.

Permission to close designated streets for the Sterling Picnic for a parade, street dance and Little Tuggers pull was granted in a motion by Rengstorf and seconded by Karr. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried.