

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 14, 2009 at 7:33 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 and location was acknowledged. Chairman Dennis Heusman called the meeting to order. Trustees answering roll call were: Vane Rengstorf, Dwight Weiss, Chuck Wingert. Absent: Scott Buss. Visitors: LeRoy Riensche, Steve Mercure, Steve Weiss, Stan Borchert, Michelle Salberg, Kevin Heusman, Klay Heusman, Kale Heusman. Weiss made a motion to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting held March 10, 2009 and Rengstorf seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried.

Rengstorf made a motion to allow the bills as presented and Weiss seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: Heusman, Rengstorf, Wingert. Motion carried.

These bills were approved for payment: Black Hills Energy, fuel-630.00; BMG, KENO audit-3750.00; Constellation Energy, fuel-778.54; Employees Benefit Program, Riensche ins.-200.00; First Bankcard, sup.-307.15; Great Plains One Call, fee-11/94; Ivan Heusman, mileage-248.00; Jet Stop, Inc.-fuel-324.19; Library books-237.75; MCI, phones-29.38; Midwest Labs, fee-7.30; NPPD, ele.-1913.85; Nestor & Mercure, fee-100.00; NPHEL, fee-20.00; Payroll-5046.53; Olsson Associates, fee-947.58; Payroll taxes-1011.19; Presco Sales & Service, sup.-465.70; Quill, sup.-91.00; State of NE, shredder and meters-1100.00; Sterling Lumber, sup.-48.97; Steve Weiss, fee-111.25; Sunrise Publications, pub.-12.00; Voice News, pub.-46.07; Waymire Well, rep.-125.00; Westside Auto Parts, sup.-22.07; Windstream, phones-407.94; Wusk Power Equipment, rep.-12.65. Total: \$14,379.39.

LeRoy Riensche, utility superintendent, reported on the following: water shutoff located on a vacant property; concrete hauled; restocked salt and sand supply; playground equipment needs crumb rubber resurface; cost of seeding park; white goods cleanup day; security grant application for water department with the State of Nebraska. Weiss made a motion to apply for grant with the State of Nebraska for another cholinater and inverter and Wingert seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried.

Fire Chief, Steve Weiss, reported that he is waiting for a sales representative to check into ordering helmets. A training meeting for the firemen was held. Bids on hose drying rack have not been received.

A moving permit was approved for Luke Helmick.

Bids for mowing, trimming and snow removal were opened. Stan Borchert bid \$730.00 for each mowing, \$30.00 per hour for trimming and snow removal. The price may be increased if fuel costs are over \$3.00 per gallon. Kevin Heusman had a bid of \$745.00 for mowing the cemetery. Weiss made a motion to accept Stan Borchert's bid and Wingert seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: Rengstorf, Weiss, Wingert. Not voting: Heusman. Motion carried.

Michelle Salberg, Women of Today, representative in regard to the walking path at the Sterling Park. If the grant from NRD is approved the cost will be \$10,000.00 with matching funds. Planting trees, shrubs, grass and installation of lights are included in the grant with a timeline of July 1, 2009. A cooperative agreement needs to be signed upon approval of the grant. Pledges can be taken by May 1, 2009, and payable to the Sterling



Community Association. Wingert made a motion that the Village of Sterling pledges \$2500.00 for the walking path project and Weiss seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried.

The Conradi property cleanup is progressing.

Meeting adjourned 9:17 p.m.

Dennis Heusman, Board Chairman

Lola Wentz, Village Clerk