

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, May 13, 2008 at 7:40 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 acknowledged. Chairman Dennis Heusman called the meeting to order. Trustees answering roll call were: Stan Karr, Vane Rengstorf, Dwight Weiss, Chuck Wingert. Visitors: LeRoy Riensche, Dean Borchert, Steve Mercure, Roland Philippi, Steve Weiss, Betty Case, Ray Beck, Marlin Ebberts, Darrin Belding, Omer Kuhlmann, Clint Kage, Jack Weyers, Jim Erickson. Weiss made a motion to approve the minutes of the last regular meeting held April 8, 2008 and Rengstorf seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried. These 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: Al Wusk Electric, rep.-602.56; Aquila, fuel-811.35; D & D Communications, rep.-335.50; Dennis Heusman, sup.-26.30; Employees Benefit Program, Riensche ins.-200.00; First Bankcard, sup.-102.56; Great Plains One Call, fee-5.05; Hawkins Water Treatment, sup.-152.75; Home & Farm Ins.-ins.-44.00; Ivan Heusman, mileage-240.00; Jack Weyers, fee-108.00; Jet Stop, Inc., fuel-486.22; Kuhl Trenching, rep.-1455.00; Library books-156.06; MCI, phones-12.96; Midwest Labs, fee-73.84; Municipal Supply, sup.-2754.10; NPPD, ele.1735.90; NPHEL, fee-9.00; Nestor & Mercure, fee-100.00; Payroll-4553.08; Payroll taxes-994.62; Play It Again Sports, sup.-283.43; Sargent Drilling, rep.-24101.20; Schmader Electric Construction, rep.-250.00; Stan Borchert, cem. mowing-1730.00; Sterling School, VICA students, labor-150.00; True Value, sup.-11.36; Voice News, pub.-30.76; Waymire Well, sup.-5.71; Westside Auto, sup.-33.89; Windstream, phones-58.03; Wusk Power Equipment, rep.-11.10. Total: \$42,216.53.

St. John Lutheran Church representatives, Jim Erickson, Marlin Ebberts, Betty Case, were present with questions in regard to emergency planning. In the event an emergency would arise, what preparations would the church be obligated. At this point no definite changes will have to be made for emergency planning.

Omer Kuhlmann, Sterling Legion Post #140 representative was present to discuss damage to a vehicle by a street sign during the Legion Consignment Sale. The matter has been resolved.

Ray Beck, Electronic Security Solutions, addressed the Board of Trustees concerning surveillance cameras for locations downtown. Beck will check on the locations and return to the board with information on the cameras.

Clint Kage, Casey Insurance agent, was present to inquire of the Board of Trustees and would be interested in submitting a proposal. Kage will meet with a board member to ascertain coverage for the Village of Sterling.

LeRoy Riensche, utility superintendent, reported on the following: well pump bearing needs to be replaced by next fall or winter; water meter price; recycling trailer was exchanged; salt and sand mixture has been delivered at no cost to the village; problems with coaches at the ball park; landscaping of property and lowering a water line for house move and removal of a city tree on that property.

Steve Weiss, Sterling Fire Chief, reported on the ISO ratings after an inspection by Mike King. A map has been updated to include all fire hydrants. It will be several months before any change of insurance will be made. Dean Borchert will be attending Fire School May 16-18 at Grand Island, Nebraska and was given \$300.00 for expenses in a motion by Weiss, seconded by Karr. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried.

A zoning permit for Jeff Harms was approved.

Discussed were clean up of properties.

Weiss made a motion to pay Brent Heusman \$1000.00 for Summer Recreation Director with \$25.00 per game allowance for umpires. Wingert seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried. Coaches for 2008 are as follows: T-ball – Jim Jasa, Jackie Eickhoff; player pitch – Dean Dolbow; B-boys – Russ Trauernicht, Joe Zager, Steve Logston; 10 and under girls – Todd Pella, Jackie Eickhoff; 12 and under girls – Brad Goracke, Mike Kahler; 14 and under girls – Tom Jones. Rengstorf made a motion to approve the coaches and Weiss seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried. Weiss made a motion to pay coaches \$85.00 and Wingert seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: none. Nays: all. Motion failed. Karr made a motion to pay coaches \$100.00 and Wingert seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried.

Darrin Belding submitted a bid for \$50.00 a ton to haul white goods items and scrap tires for the town cleanup on May 31, 2008. Wingert made a motion to accept Belding's bid of \$50.00 a ton for cleanup day and Karr seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 10:11 p.m.

Dennis Heusman, Board Chairman

Lola Wentz, Village Clerk