

REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
STERLING, NEBRASKA

The Chairman and Board of Trustees of the Village of Sterling, Nebraska, met in regular session on Tuesday, August 9, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. at the Sterling Fire Barn in a publicly convened meeting 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: Scott Buss, Vane Rengstorf, Dwight Weiss, Chuck Wingert. Others present: Steve Weiss, Steve Eickhoff, Steve Mercure, Audrey Keebler, LeRoy Riensche. Chairman Heusman acknowledged the Open Meetings Act and location on the north wall of the Sterling Fire Barn. Buss made a motion to approve the minutes of July 12, 2011, and Rengstorf seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried. Buss made a motion to allow the bills as presented with the addition of Shawn Harms bill for the SRP for \$35.00 and Rengstorf seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried. These bills were approved for payment:

Black Hills Energy, fuel-78.69; BMG, fee-176.90; Constellation energy, fuel-12.64; Brent Heusman, SRP director-50.00; First National Bank Omaha, sup.-428.25; Great Plains One Call, fee-10.40; Hawkins, Inc. sup.-224.43; Ivan Heusman, mileage-256.00; Jet Stop Inc., fuel-664.36; library books-104.39; MCI, phones-26.35; Municipal Chemical, sup.-179.00; Municipal Supply, Inc., sup.-389.81; NPPD, electricity, 2267.43; NPHEL, fee-22.00; Payroll-6194.26; Payroll Taxes-1186.85; SENE Coop, sup.-11.79; SRP coaches-Joe Zager-100.00; Shawn Harms - 135.00; Jim Jasa - 100.00; Jackie Eickhoff-200.00; Casey Haner - 100.00; Stan Borchert Mowing, cem. mowing-730.00; Steve Mercure, fee-100.00; Steve Weiss, fee-114.60; Voice News, pub.-53.03; Westside Auto Supply, sup.-37.53; Windstream, phones-186.16; Wusk Power Equipment, sup.-109.89. Total: \$14,149.76.

LeRoy Riensche, utility superintendent, reported on the following: valve in for water lines and can be isolated with work to begin the week of August 15<sup>th</sup>; hydrant by St. John Lutheran Church will be moved across the street; water consumption has dropped; shred weeds on west Broadway Street; lights from walking path at the park are missing; some new street signs will be ordered; sign posted by recycling bins.

Fire Chief, Steve Eickhoff, reported: one fire member department quit and one is moving out of town; training for extracating victims in car accidents.

One zoning permit and one demolition permit were approved as presented to the board by Steve Weiss, zoning administrator.

Cemetery directory information in regard to moving the building at the cemetery for placement of the new directory. A company that is in moving business will submit a bid to move said building. The Board of Trustees would like to have a joint meeting with the Sterling Cemetery Board and Sterling Cemetery Ladies to report on progress of the project.

Annexation of properties not presently in the village is being researched by Steve Mercure, village attorney. The procedure necessary is underway.

In regard to the dangerous dog of Angie Dolbow, Sheriff Scott Walton will see if the matter is taken care of after court proceedings last month.

Weiss made a motion to use the housing reuse fund and apply for Community Development Block Grant. Wingert seconded the motion. Vote: yeas: all. Motion carried. Dave Taladay, SENDD, will be contacted and the village will pay \$3000.00 for authorizing the project.

Budget items for the 2011-2012 include: water line, street repair, bridge repairs. BMG will prepare the budget for the Village of Sterling.

There was discussion on cleanup of properties and mowing.

Meeting adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

Dennis Heusman, Chairman of the Board

Lola Wentz, Village Clerk