

Village of Dorchester Board of Trustees Special Meeting August 29, 2023

A Special Meeting of the Village of Dorchester Board of Trustees was held August 29, 2023, and was called to order at 7:03 p.m. at the Dorchester Community Hall. Chairperson Andrea Pracheil advised those present of the Open Meeting Act. Answering Roll Call were board members Andrea Pracheil, Roger Miller, Sarah Wenz, and Matt Shaw. Nancy Tellez was excused. Also in attendance were Jen Kasl, Clerk-Treasurer; Dawn Zoubek, Deputy Clerk; and Jennifer Busboom, Blobaum & Busboom, PC. (All motions carried are unanimous "for" unless otherwise noted). Advance notice of the meeting was posted at the Dorchester US Post Office; First State Bank, NE; and Village Hall.

The purpose of the meeting was the Budget Workshop for 2023-2024, and consideration and discussion of funding for the vehicle storage building, vehicle storage building supplemental bids, and the 2023 Annual League Conference.

Bonding options to fund the new vehicle storage building were discussed. The board will have Brad Slaughter come to the September meeting to discuss further.

Budget Workshop consideration and discussion to set levy rate. Discussion to establish the total tax levy at .455001 for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, to be adopted at the next regular meeting, following the Budget Hearing and Special Hearing. Budget Hearing is Monday, September 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Discussion was held on supplemental bids for the vehicle storage building. Motion by Wenz, seconded by Miller to accept the bid by Stutzman Digging and Excavating LLC to complete the water and sewer service. Motion carried (4-0-1). Board member Nancy Tellez arrived at 8:17 p.m. Motion by Wenz, seconded by Shaw to accept the bid from Pulliam Plumbing Inc for the installation of the underground plumbing. Motion carried.

Consideration and discussion of the 2023 Annual League Conference to be held in Lincoln on September 27-29. Motion made by Pracheil, seconded by Shaw to send up to five attendees to the Annual Conference if schedules allow and allow up to three hotel rooms. Motion carried.

Board members were advised that employee review information will be included in their next packets for reviews at the September meeting. Clerk Kasl will have Atty. Willis contact Clint Fichter regarding the hometown housing progress. Motion made by Shaw, seconded by Wenz to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m. Next regular meeting is September 11, 2023, at the Community Hall immediately following the 7:00 p.m. Budget Hearing and Special Hearing.

Signed Chairman: Andrea Pracheil
Clerk - Treasurer: Jennifer M. Kasl