

Village of Dorchester Board of Trustees Minutes April 14, 2025

The regular meeting of the Village of Dorchester Board of Trustees was held Monday, April 14, 2025, at the Farmers Cooperative Meeting Room, and was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Chairperson Miller advised those present of the Open Meetings Act. Answering Roll Call were board members Matt Shaw, Tammie Lang, Nate Hitchins, Nancy Tellez, and Chairperson Roger Miller. Also in attendance were Jen Kasl, Clerk-Treasurer; Dawn Zoubek, Deputy Clerk; Brent Kasl, Assistant Utilities Superintendent; Chief Pracheil, DVFD/Festival Committee; Jerod Francis, Code Compliance; and Atty. Connor Madsen, Hoffschneider Law. Advance Notice of the meeting was posted at the Dorchester US Post Office; First State Bank, NE; Village of Dorchester office and in *The Crete News*.

Motion by Shaw, seconded by Hitchins, to approve Consent Agenda Items #1-#4. Motion carried. No Sheriff's report. Chief Pracheil gave the fire report. The plumbing work is done at the new building. The meal fundraiser was a success. Coloring Easter eggs will be April 18 at 7 pm. Hunt will be at 2 pm on April 19. The controlled house burn went well but the neighbor had damage to siding and a window. It will be inspected this week and an insurance claim will be filed. Francis gave the code compliance report. He has a list of ongoing properties and hopes to have updates on most of them next month. Shaw gave an update from the SSCSWMA meeting. They have approved paying for new ornamental trees for the boulevard.

Unfinished business: There was discussion on the open house held last week. There was a decent turnout and a few surveys have been returned. Residents have until April 24 to return surveys and more discussion will be held at the May meeting. No update on village lighting quotes. No camera quotes have been received yet. Jindra Irrigation said they can get us on the schedule for the previously approved work the first half of May, or can wait until fall since it's a better time to seed grass. Motion by Lang, seconded by Tellez to have them start in May. Motion carried.

New business: Chief Pracheil requested funds for the fireworks show on behalf of the festival committee. Motion by Miller, seconded by Shaw to donate \$10,000 for this year's show. Motion carried. Discussion held on the memorandum of Micro-TIF from Atty. Janecek Borer. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Hitchins to direct Atty. Janecek Borer to prepare the Micro-TIF Resolution for the May meeting. Motion carried. Discussion held on developing a comprehensive plan for the village. SENDD will send out surveys on behalf of the village for free as long as questions about broadband are included. Motion by Miller, seconded by Lang to have SENDD do the surveys as a first step. Motion carried. Motion by Miller, seconded by Tellez to table discussion on utility bill service charges until the May meeting. Motion carried. Consideration and discussion held on the quote for a new locator and GIS mapping tool. Motion by Lang, seconded by Hitchins to approve the quote. Motion carried. Discussion was held on the NeRWA membership renewal and annual donation. Motion by Miller, seconded by Shaw to renew our annual membership. Motion carried. Motion by Lang, seconded by Hitchins to donate an additional amount of \$500. Motion carried. Discussion was held on the renewal of the Pleasant Hill Archery Club lease. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Hitchins to approve the lease. Motion carried. Members will need to sign new releases. Discussion was held on summer help. Ad will be posted around town, on the website and marquee, and given to the school guidance counselor.

Motion by Shaw, seconded by Hitchins, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m. Next regular meeting will be **Monday, May 12, 2025 at 6:30 pm at the Farmers Cooperative Meeting Room.**

Signed Chairman: _____

Clerk - Treasurer: _____


