

**Village of Dorchester Board of Trustees Minutes  
February 10, 2025**


The regular meeting of the Village of Dorchester Board of Trustees was held Monday, February 10, 2025, at the Farmers Cooperative Meeting Room, and was called to order at 6:33 p.m. Chairperson Miller advised those present of the Open Meetings Act. Answering Roll Call were board members, Matt Shaw, Nancy Tellez, Tammie Lang, Nate Hitchins, and Chairperson Roger Miller. Also in attendance were Jen Kasl, Clerk-Treasurer; Dawn Zoubek, Deputy Clerk; Brent Kasl, Assistant Utilities Superintendent; Chief Pracheil, DVFD; Shayne Huxoll, Olsson; Alison Janecek-Borer, Cline Williams; and 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 Lang, seconded by Shaw, to approve Consent Agenda Items #1-#4. Motion carried. Chief Pracheil gave the fire report. The recognition banquet will be March 1. The meal fundraiser on April 5 will have dine-in or carry-out options. The department will be doing a controlled burn of a house on April 12. DVFD has a new medical director as of February 1<sup>st</sup>. Only one quote has been received back for the bathroom. Motion by Miller, seconded by Shaw to table the bathroom quote discussion until March. Motion carried.

**Unfinished business:** Consideration of Future Infrastructure Projects – Water and Streets. Huxoll gave an overview of costs for the potential streets to be paved this year. He will figure up cost per linear sq ft and get numbers to us ASAP. Board has opted to have a special meeting next Friday, February 21 at 6 pm, pending availability of Brad Slaughter. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Lang to enter closed session for a period not to exceed 30 minutes for the purpose of discussing strategy sessions with respect to collective bargaining, real estate purchases, pending litigation, or litigation which is imminent as evidence by communication of a claim or threat of litigation to or by the public body. Motion carried at 7:19 pm. Re-opened meeting at 7:43 pm. No formal action was taken during closed session. Motion by Miller, seconded by Shaw to direct Janecek-Borer to draft a letter to Bill Plouzek regarding the TIF Agreement for Northview Estates. Motion carried. Deputy arrived and gave the sheriff's report. Discussion was held on the code compliance officer contract. Motion by Miller, seconded by Shaw to adjust the contract dates and approve the rest of the contract as is. Motion carried. Clerk Kasl will adjust the contract dates and have the contract signed by the new officer.

**New business:** Consideration and discussion of the TMS and PowerManager Time Sheet quotes. Motion by Miller, seconded by Hitchins to approve both quotes. Motion carried. Discussion of village lighting quotes. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Hitchins to approve the quote for LED lights for Washington and the West Highway 33 intersection. Motion carried. Discussion on minimum wage and the employee wage scale. Motion by Miller, seconded by Lang to direct Atty. Madsen to draft an ordinance to raise pay scale amounts as follows: Deputy Clerk: \$15-\$25, P/T Dump Site: \$15-\$20, Custodian: \$15-\$20, and Seasonal Maintenance: \$15-\$20, with the remaining positions to be discussed at a later date. Motion carried. Discussion of spring community clean-up. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Hitchins to start with 2 dumpsters and approve up to 5. Motion carried. Discussion held on benches for the Memorial area and the splash pad. The Tri-County shop class is willing to make them out of composite wood. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Lang to approve benches at a cost of up to \$1,000. Motion carried. It was noted that Crouch should be asked to come down to demonstrate the cleaning process of the splash pad.

Motion by Shaw, seconded by Hitchins, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m. Next regular meeting will be **Monday, March 10, 2025 at 6:30 pm at the Farmers Cooperative Meeting Room.**

Signed Chairman:   
Clerk - Treasurer: 