

Village of Dorchester Board of Trustees Minutes March 6, 2023

The regular meeting of the Village of Dorchester Board of Trustees was held Monday, March 6, 2023, at the Dorchester Community Hall and was called to order at 7:02 p.m., Chairperson Pracheil advised those present of the Open Meetings Act. Answering Roll Call were board members Andrea Pracheil, Roger Miller, Sarah Wenz, Matt Shaw and Eric Bird. Also in attendance were Jen Kasl, Clerk-Treasurer; Dawn Zoubek, Deputy Clerk; Trent Roesler, Assistant Utilities Superintendent; Brant Pracheil, Fire Chief, DVFD & Festival Committee; Craig Bergmeyer, Festival Committee; Craig Bontrager, Code Compliance; 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 Miller, seconded by Bird, to approve Consent Agenda Items #1-#4. Motion carried. Chief Pracheil gave the fire report. Brisket drive-thru fundraiser will be April 1st from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Egg dyeing will be April 7th at 7:00 p.m. at the fire hall. Egg hunt is April 8th at 2 p.m. for kids ages 0 yrs. old – 2nd grade at the softball/football field, and 3rd - 4th grade at the football practice field. Sheriff's report given. Wenz brought up a dog citation that was issued. Code compliance report was given. Bontrager has reviewed the permit for the crow's nest and will check on the fence line vs the property line. A second letter was sent to the EPA regarding the concerns with chemicals being housed in residential areas. Discussion was held on how to handle the vacant properties. Madsen will confirm with Atty. Hoffschneider on how to proceed.

Unfinished Business: Discussion was held on the permit for the new crow's nest. Motion by Wenz, seconded by Bird to approve the permit provided the property lines are correct. The football field will be surveyed before construction begins on the crow's nest. Discussion was held on the new storage building. Clerk Kasl will check with Gana for an additional quote on site prep. Additional doors and windows may be added to the building.

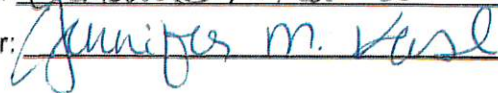
New Business: The Festival Committee presented on the 4th of July activities. They would like to get 5-6 additional modules and one controller. Motion by Wenz to give \$8,000 toward fireworks and \$2,000 toward additional equipment for a total of \$10,000. Motion failed. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Miller to give \$8,000 toward fireworks and \$2,500 toward additional equipment for a total of \$10,500 to be paid out of the keno account. Motion carried. Discussion was held on Ordinance 2023-01 to approve the fee schedule including the increase in late fees for utility accounts. Motion by Miller, seconded by Bird to waive the three-reading rule. Motion carried. Motion by Miller, seconded by Bird to approve Ordinance 2023-01 as written, to include adding an age range of 0-5 years old on the baby grave section. Motion carried. Discussion was held on the Master Work Order for Olsson for General Consulting. Motion by Bird, seconded by Miller to approve the work order. Motion carried. Discussion was held on golf cart usage within village limits. The board would like to repeal the current ordinance in effect. Clerk Kasl will direct Atty. Hoffschneider to draft an ordinance repealing the current ordinance. Consideration and discussion was held on street sweeper options. Roesler will try to get a demo and bring back more info next month. Consideration and discussion was held on gravel and rock bids. Up to \$10,000 spending is approved without presenting back to the board. Consideration of dates for a special meeting to discuss future infrastructure projects. Clerk Kasl will check with Slaughter and Stark and get a date set for April. May meeting will be moved from Monday, May 1st to Wednesday, May 3rd.

Motion by Bird, seconded by Shaw, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m. Next regular meeting date is Monday, April 3rd at 7:00 p.m. at the Dorchester Community Hall.

Signed Chairman:



Clerk - Treasurer:



I, Jennifer Kasl, Clerk for the Village of Dorchester, hereby certify that the preceding minutes are a true and correct copy of the proceedings had and done by the Chairman and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dorchester March 6, 2023. The minutes are available at Village Hall and the shortened version was published in The Crete News.

Clerk - Treasurer:

