

**Village of Dorchester Board of Trustees Minutes
March 9, 2026**

The regular meeting of the Village of Dorchester Board of Trustees was held Monday, March 9, 2026, at the Farmers Cooperative Meeting Room, and was called to order at 6:32 p.m. Chairperson Pro tem Lang advised those present of the Open Meetings Act. Answering Roll Call were board members Matt Shaw, Nancy Tellez, Nate Hitchins, and Chairperson Pro tem Tammie Lang. Chairperson Roger Miller was excused. Also in attendance were Jen Kasl, Clerk-Treasurer; Dawn Zoubek, Deputy Clerk; Brent Kasl, Utilities Superintendent; Gavin Hobson, Assistant Utilities Superintendent; Brant Pracheil, DVFD; and Jerod Francis, Code Compliance. 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 Tellez, to approve Consent Agenda Items #1-#4. Motion carried (4-0-1). Pracheil gave the fire report. The 1990 Pumper has been posted online and sells on March 18. Easter egg hunt is Saturday, April 4th at 2 pm, with kids dyeing eggs at the fire hall on April 3rd at 7 pm. The brisket fundraiser will be Saturday, April 11th from 4:30-8:30. Francis gave the code compliance report. Letters will be sent after board approval to start sending again.

Unfinished business: Consideration of Future Infrastructure Projects – Water and Streets. Motion by Hitchins, seconded by Shaw to table Olsson Work Order No. 9 for well design until April. Motion carried (4-0-1). Discussion was held on the generator quotes for Well #5. It was decided the generator is not needed at this time, so no action was taken. Discussion was held on the new proposed SSCSWMA By-Laws. Motion by Hitchins, seconded by Lang, to send Shaw and have him vote in favor of making all votes equal. Motion carried (4-0-1). The owner of 1003 Franklin was present to discuss his property and what is happening right now. Once the electric is up to code, Crete will come to place the meter and Excel is supposed to come to do the water/sewer. There was no discussion on the City of Crete electrical agreement as we have not received the updated contract back for review. Discussion was held on a proposed electrical project at the quonset site. More info will be brought to the board next month.

New business: Consideration of an application for a new fire department member. Motion by Tellez, seconded by Hitchins to approve Danielle Roth as a new member. Motion carried. Discussion was held on the keno CD. Motion by Hitchins, seconded by Shaw to keep it as is for another six months. Motion carried (4-0-1). Discussion was held on the request to re-zone a residential lot. Item will be discussed again once there is a formal proposal for the lot. Discussion held on the Farmers Cooperative Community Grant program. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Lang to approve Tabor Hall the use of our federal ID if they should receive a matching funds grant. Motion carried (4-0-1). Motion by Lang, seconded by Hitchins to enter closed session at 7:42 p.m. for a period of no more than 30 minutes to discuss strategy session 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 AND to evaluate applicants for the dump site attendant position. Motion carried (4-0-1). Exited closed session at 8:04 pm. No formal action was taken during closed session. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Tellez to approve the items that were discussed in closed session. Motion carried (4-0-1).

Motion by Lang, seconded by Hitchins, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m. Next regular meeting will be **Monday, April 13, 2026 at 6:30 pm at the Farmers Cooperative Meeting Room.**

Signed Chairman: _____

Clerk - Treasurer: _____


