

**Village of Dorchester Board of Trustees Minutes
May 6, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Village of Dorchester Board of Trustees was held Monday, May 6, 2024, at the Farmers Cooperative Meeting Room, and was called to order at 6:32 p.m. Chairperson Miller advised those present of the Open Meetings Act. Answering Roll Call were board members Sarah Wenz, Matt Shaw, Nancy Tellez, Tammie Lang, and Chairperson Roger Miller. Also in attendance were Jen Kasl, Clerk-Treasurer; Trent Roesler, Utilities Superintendent; Brent Kasl, Assistant Utilities Superintendent; Craig Bontrager, Code Compliance; and Connor Madsen, Hoffschneider Law, PC. 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*.

Public Hearing: Motion by Shaw, seconded by Lang to open the public hearing for the amendment to the Zoning Regulations, Section 5-06 of the Use Category General Commercial. Motion carried. The floor was opened for public comment. After discussion, motion by Wenz, seconded by Miller to close the public hearing. Motion carried. Motion by Wenz, seconded by Miller to waive the 3-reading rule for Ordinance 2024-03. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-03

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 5.06 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF DORCHESTER, NEBRASKA RELATING TO GENERAL COMMERCIAL USE; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF.

Motion by Wenz, seconded by Miller to approve Ordinance 2024-03. Motion carried. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Lang to open the public hearing for the requested Conditional Use Permit. The floor was opened for public comment. After discussion, motion by Wenz, seconded by Miller to close the public hearing. Motion by Wenz, seconded by Lang to approve the conditional use permit for Blue River Firearms. Motion carried.

Motion by Lang, seconded by Tellez, to approve Consent Agenda Items #1-#4. Motion carried. No sheriff's report. Fire report was given by B. Kasl. A couple members will be attending fire school May 17-19 and three people are working on their EMT certification. Code compliance report given. Bontrager is working on 6 letters to be mailed. Discussion was held on vacant properties, nuisance properties, and unsafe structures. Clerk Kasl will forward the memo from Hoffschneider's office to the board, and will continue looking for a building inspector.

Unfinished business: Discussion held on the future infrastructure projects. A representative from Olsson will be here on May 29 to open bids. Miller and the Utilities Staff will be present for the opening. The water main in the coop alley is having backup issues. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Lang to approve up to \$5000 to have Excel dig out and put in a manhole. Motion carried.

Discussion of vehicle storage building updates. Klein will be starting on the street later this month. Discussion held on the quote from Great Plains Pest Management for adding the new building to the schedule. Motion by Miller, seconded by Shaw to approve the quote but not start treating the building until all work has been completed. Motion carried. Discussion on National Night Out Events has been tabled until next month.

New business: Discussion held on the CD options for sales tax and highway allocation. Will discuss during the special meeting and finalize at the June meeting. Consideration of quote for Cyber policy for renewal. Motion by Miller, seconded by Shaw to approve the quote. Motion carried. Consideration and discussion of splash pad hours. Motion by Lang, seconded by Tellez to open from 1 pm -7 pm until June 10th and from 10 am - 8 pm during Memorial Weekend. Motion carried. Will discuss hours again at June meeting. Discussion was held on non-compliance issues for home-based businesses. Letters and applications will be sent out. Consideration and discussion of summer help applications. Motion by Lang, seconded by Shaw to have Miller, Shaw, and Roesler interview the applicant on Wednesday, May 8 and offer him a salary they see fit. Motion carried.

Motion by Wenz, seconded by Shaw, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m. Next regular meeting will be **Monday, June 10, 2024 at 6:30 pm at the Farmers Cooperative Meeting Room.**

Signed Chairman: 
Clerk - Treasurer: 