

VILLAGE OF ANSLEY
Regular Meeting
January 6, 2020 – 6:30 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Chairperson and Board of Trustees of the Village of Ansley, Nebraska, was held in the Council Chambers in the Village Clerk's Office on Monday, January 6, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. Present were Chairperson Fecht, Trustees Mills, Henry, Smith and Hogg. Also present Lanette, Sheryl, Bill, Nate and one (1) member of the public.

Notice of this meeting was by posting in three (3) public places, the Clerk's Office, Flatwater Bank and the Ansley Post Office as required by law. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance thereof to the Chairperson and Board of Trustees of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public. Chairperson Fecht opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. and verified compliance with the open meeting act.

Trustee Hogg moved to waive reading and approve the December minutes as presented. Trustee Mills seconded the motion and on roll call vote the following Trustees voted AYE: Hogg, Mills, Henry, Smith and Fecht. Motion carried.

No public input during the Public Comment period on the agenda.

Doug Stunkel was present to express his opposition for responsibility as landlord for unpaid utility services at one of his properties. He was notified by letter in June, 2019, of the unpaid account and provided a copy of Ordinance #488 which states the term "customer" shall mean the owner of the property where utility services are provided and the owner of the property ("customer") shall be responsible for payment of any outstanding or unpaid bills for all utility services provided by the Municipality to that property. Village Attorney White had filed a complaint in Custer County Court on behalf of the Village. Mr. Stunkel asked each board member their opinion on whose responsibility it should be for the unpaid bill. The Board unanimously responded that the ordinance was clear that responsibility falls to the property owner and Attorney White is handling the matter for the Village.

Freedom Claims had sent the annual Administrative Agreement, exhibits, and Business Associate Agreement between Freedom Claims and the Village. Freedom Claims manages the Village's health insurance in processing claims for benefits, disbursing claim payments and other duties. Trustee Henry moved that the Village approve the 2020 Freedom Claims Management Administrative Agreement and authorize Chairperson Fecht to execute the documents on behalf of the Village. Trustee Hogg seconded the motion and on roll call vote the following Trustees voted AYE: Henry, Hogg, Smith, Mills and Fecht. Motion carried.

The Board had received proposed wording to amend the Employee Handbook Health Insurance section outlining a policy for an active employee who has reached Medicare eligible age. The Board felt the proposed wording accurately outlined their policy intention and the motion approved at the November, 2019 meeting. Trustee Henry moved to amend the Employee Handbook Health Insurance section to include the policy for active employees who reach Medicare eligible age as reviewed and discussed at this meeting. Trustee Hogg seconded the motion and on roll call vote the following Trustees voted AYE: Henry, Hogg, Fecht, Mills and Smith. Motion carried.

Department Head and Committee Reports – Bill reported the following: (1) power problems fixed during the storm were minimal but were addressed; (2) rerouted electrical feeds behind the café to adjacent businesses; (3) the Village has received the new discharge permit into the lake; (4) performs weekly manhole checks; (5) well efficiency tests will be held in January; (6) NeRWA will perform a baseline test for manganese in our water system; (7) Bill will be attending the annual League Utilities Conference in Lincoln January 15th thru the 17th; (8) street light repairs have been made including one feed for the Christmas lights on Main Street.

Lanette reported the following: (1) NMPP Safety Training will be held in Broken Bow on January 29th and March 4th for Village employees at a cost of \$500 for 6 hours of training each session; (2) Miller & Associates should have a contract for Board approval at the February meeting for the GIS mapping of our water system; we are waiting for the subaward notice from DHHS before moving forward; (3) there is a community meeting on January 14th hosted by the Planning Commission to receive public input on updating Ansley's Comprehensive Plan for the next 10 years and board members are asked to attend; (4) the water bond refinance was completed December 27th with the payoff of the old bonds; (5) the \$1,500 per month from the Light Fund for sinking reserves will now be sent to the account with NFIT at Union Bank; (6) Todd and Lanette had reviewed the street budget with Todd's recommendation to complete curb on Main Street instead of crack sealing and to do \$50,000 of overlay; the one & six year hearing will be held at the February meeting; (7) Cathie Jo and Trent plan to attend the League annual

conference in February and Lanette will attend part of Monday and Tuesday for the LARM member and Board meetings.

Board of Health members reported that there are inoperable vehicles on the property at 721 Douglas Street. The owners have been notified on more than one occasion that the vehicles need to be moved as they are unsightly and a violation. In spite of promises no action has been taken. Excessive used materials are being piled on the property at 626 Nile Street and nuisance conditions also exist there. The Board felt citations should be issued for these violations since the conditions persist with no resolutions. The Clerk is to contact Officer Denney for his availability to handle serving the violations and to see if he is agreeable to the hourly wage as agreed when he was retained.

Sheryl Vincent informed the Board that she is resigning her position with the Village. She will start at B-D on January 13th. Sheryl said she would be willing to help with mowing and cleaning at the Park this spring and summer as her schedule allows and if the Board would want her to. She has enjoyed the work but needs more stability with hours and benefits. The Board thanked Sheryl for her service and hard work and expressed their understanding that she needs to do what is best for her.

Trustee Henry moved to approve the claims and Trustee Smith seconded the motion. On roll call vote the following Trustees voted AYE: Henry, Smith, Hogg, Mills and Fecht. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND			
All Star Auto-rep	487.24	American Electric-sup	266.78
Ansley Lmbr & Sup-sup	253.50	Barco Mun Prod-sup	474.50
BlueTarp-eq	600.62	George Bundy-ref	50.00
Capital Bus-ser	98.35	Central NE Bobcat-oil	70.15
Custer Co Chief-fees	47.63	Custer Federal-inv	8,920.00
Custer's Last Stop-fuel	460.32	DOE-en	767.22
Lanette Doane-trvl	40.02	Dutton-Lainson-met	1,639.71
Eakes-sup	43.51	Elliott Equip-pts	211.24
IIMC-dues	195.00	LASWA-fees	598.20
Matt Parrott-forms	84.69	MARC-sup	2,240.82
Municipal Supply-sup	85.20	NCTC-ph	536.48
NE Dept Rev-tx	4,482.47	NE Public Health Lab-test	15.00
One Call-fees	6.14	Orscheln-oil	140.95
Petty Cash-ref/sup	225.22	School-lic	20.00
UBT-inv	1,500.00	Village-util	2,464.53
WESCO-sup	264.59	Yanez Service-fuel	123.60
Freedom Claims-ins	433.66	League NE Mun-conf	1,036.00
UNO-conf	223.00	USPS-sup	665.55
Black Hills-util	1,734.00	Cornhusker Marriott-conf	319.86
Hireright-fees	250.00	Bill Moser-conf/cell	300.77
MEAN-en	31,399.07	UHC-ins	2,407.92
AFLAC-ins	60.45	Payroll-sal	14,543.28
Lanette Doane-cell	25.00	Federal Tax Dep-tx	4,338.18
Todd Grant-cell	25.00	Invesco-ret	1,448.00
Nate Slagle-cell	25.00		

There being no further business to come before the Board Trustee Hogg moved to adjourn and Trustee Mills seconded the motion. On roll call vote the following Trustees voted AYE: Hogg, Mills, Henry, Smith and Fecht. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

ATTEST:

Trenton J. Fecht, Chairperson

Lanette C. Doane, CMC

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I, the undersigned Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Chairperson and Board of Trustees; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continuously current and available for public inspection at the office of the Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible

material discussed at said meeting was available at the meeting for copying by members of the public; that the said minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of the meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

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Lanette C. Doane, CMC