

VILLAGE OF ANSLEY
Regular Meeting
July 9, 2026 – 6:30 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Chairperson and Board of Trustees of the Village of Ansley, Nebraska, was held in the Municipal Auditorium on Thursday, July 9, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. Present were Chairperson Scott Rehfeld and Trustees Joel Schulte, Crystal Murrish, Chris Hogg, and Rob Henry. Also present were Randy Jordan, Terry Ritchie, Lance Bristol, Sara Parliament, Todd Grant, and Michelle Nelson.

Notice of this meeting was posted in three (3) public places, the Clerk's Office, Flatwater Bank and the Ansley Post Office as required by law. Notice was also posted on the Village website and Facebook page. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance thereof to the Chairperson and Board of Trustees of this meeting. All proceedings shown hereafter were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public. Chairperson Rehfeld opened the meeting at 6:31 p.m.; the Pledge of Allegiance was recited; compliance with the open meeting act was verified. Public comment from Lance Bristol asking the board to seriously consider doing something with the vacant houses and property as it hurts property value in the area. Also, noting that these properties do not contribute their fair share to be a part of the community and support the infrastructure.

Trustee Hogg moved to waive reading and approve the June regular meeting minutes as presented. Trustee Henry seconded the motion and on roll call vote the following Trustees voted AYE: Hogg, Henry, Rehfeld, Schulte, Murrish; motion carried.

Department Head and Committee Reports – Todd reported 1) There is a gentleman who is running an active business within our city limits and will not get trash service as it is stated in our Ordinance that any occupied residence and active business will pay for the service whether they use it or not; 2) Redline Concrete gave an estimate of \$1,250 to fix the curb at Yanez Service. They will do this on Monday; 3) there were individuals who lit fireworks on the tennis courts at the park and didn't pick up after themselves very well. They picked up the bigger stuff, but a citizen went and cleaned all the remaining debris off the courts so they could use the courts. Discussion included possibly putting signs up or passing an ordinance to not allow them at the park. A concern about this is how to patrol and take the rights away for people that are staying at the park and want to enjoy fireworks during the fourth. Todd said he has no issues with them shooting off fireworks as long as they clean up the mess.

Trustee Hogg reported for Dallas 1) Generators ran and exceeded what they needed to. They ran and sustained 1537 and only needed to be at 1500; 2) a pole on Ash Canyon Rd needs to be replaced and will be done when scheduling allows.

Michelle reported 1) the cameras that were put in at the office have been useful and allowed us to charge a citizen dumping trash and filling the dumpsters behind the shop; 2) the upgrade project has been re-approved by DOE so we will meet with Shawn at RVW to discuss our next steps; 3) a call was placed to the probation office and they have added the Village of Ansley to their list of places to call when someone needs community service hours; 4) Lanette is organizing a meeting to discuss the recycling issue with the surrounding communities. It will be at the Broken Bow Municipal Building, August 12, 2026 at 7 pm; 5) the latch on the gate at the baby pool needs to be fixed again. Can we allow Mike Ferguson to get what he needs and fix it? The board agreed to have Mike fix the baby gate at the pool and spend up to \$150.00; 6) there have been several calls about bees swarming around the park and RV spots. Steve Murrish has always been called and has taken care of "trapping" the bees and relocating them. Trustee Murrish asked if they could set some swarm traps in the trees at the park around the RV spots and Steve will check them often and relocate any bees that are in there to allow to take care of this matter. The board graciously agreed; 7) mowing at the pool and getting grass in the pool is becoming an issue again. This is hard on the equipment and leaves more work for the lifeguards when they are trying to get the pool opened and their laps swam. Trustee Henry asked Todd to visit with Christina and take care of this matter. Todd said he would do so; 8) Fair is the end of July and I will be out of the office July 27-31.

Chairperson Rehfeld had nothing to report.

Sara Parliament with the Custer County Board of Supervisors was in attendance and asked if the Board had any further questions regarding the easement for the communications tower. The Board had no questions. Trustee Henry moved to accept the easement and to have Chairperson Rehfeld sign the easement for the Village of Ansley. Trustee Schulte seconded the motion, and upon roll call vote, the following Trustees voted AYE: Henry, Schulte, Murrish, Hogg, Rehfeld; motion carried.

The building permit application that was submitted for 521 W. Railway St. needs to either go before the Planning Commission for a conditional use permit or we amend the Ordinance. Trustee Henry

suggested that we just amend the ordinance. Michelle will make the changes and it will be on the August agenda.

Todd told the Board there is a gentleman in the community that is running a business out of a building that is within the city limits but doesn't want to pay for trash services when our ordinance states that any occupied residence and active business will pay for the services. The board agreed and stated that we need to be fair to everyone. The trash charge needs to be on that bill.

There are some shrubs/bushes/trees on Division Street that are taller than what the ordinance says they can be and it is becoming a dangerous situation for people driving or trying to pull onto the highway from the side streets and especially by the Fire Hall and Muddy Creek Ag. Sending a Notice to Abate for not following the zoning regulations for the height of the shrubs/bushes/trees will be sent to 622 Division St. and 608 Division St.

The Board discussed the time clock and asked if it is in use. Michelle confirmed that it is not in use but is sitting in her office along with the timecards. Todd said he can look into it and get it installed in the shop for employees to use. There was also discussion about also having a time clock at the pool for the pool employees to use. The time clock will get installed at the shop and then next year we will install one at the pool.

Before Muddy Creek Celebration, Kevin Rapp came to the office and asked if it was okay to take a few benches down that are on Main Street but in very bad condition to the point, they are not safe for the public to sit on. Michelle confirmed this was allowable with Chairperson Rehfeld and Trustee Murrish. A quote from V-Bar Metal Works says a basic metal bench with a back is \$800; one with designs/cutouts runs \$1,000-\$1,250. A quote from The American Playgrounds has a classic bench with a back at \$642 plus \$150 shipping. Trustee Henry asked where the ones came from that are around the Community Building. Todd wasn't for sure but said Lanette would know. Michelle will contact Lanette and find out where those benches came from and get prices.

Discussion regarding the handbook and the wording of how PTO is to be earned/accrued occurred. The board decided that to align with PowerManager, the wording needs to state to earn PTO annually on anniversary date rather than semi-monthly. It was also discussed about having comp time paid out prior to June 30th or before raises go into effect.

Employee reviews were conducted by Chairperson Rehfeld and Trustee Murrish. After discussion, Trustee Murrish recommended to the Board that raises are given as follows: \$1.00 per hour to Michelle, Kali, and Bryan; \$.50 per hour to Todd and Dallas. Trustee Hogg moved for raises to be given as follows: \$1.00 per hour to Michelle and Kali; \$.75 to Bryan; and \$.50 to Todd, Dallas and Christina. Trustee Henry seconded the motion and upon roll call vote, the following Trustees voted AYE: Hogg, Henry, Rehfeld; NAY: Murrish, Schulte; motion carried. Total pay for Todd will be \$35.09 per hour paid at 2,080 hours to be paid evenly over twelve months; Dallas will be \$37.50 per hour paid at 2,080 hours to be paid evenly over twelve months; Bryan will be \$25.25 per hour; Kali will be \$16 per hour; Christina will be \$17.75 per hour; and Michelle will be \$31 per hour.

Todd is nearing retirement and the Board has asked for an exit plan. Todd plans on retiring hopefully by May 21, 2027. The Board would like Todd to write down a list of job tasks and what qualifications should be required for the individual hired. The Board would like to see advertising to start for this position within two weeks.

A memorandum was sent from the attorney to the Board stating that it is possible to implement a Utility Availability Charge for vacant structures. However, before doing this, the Board would like to set up a special meeting with the attorney to discuss the options and go over the language and get help to form an Ordinance. Michelle will see when Jason is available to have a special meeting with the board.

Trustee Henry moved to approve the July claims, and all claims paid in June following the regular

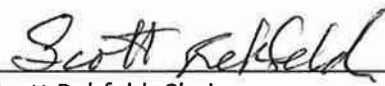
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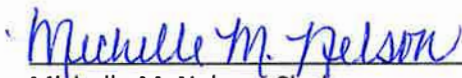
JULY CLAIMS

4 County Heating-ser	\$577.20	A.S.A.P. Express-shipping fees	\$20.00
Ansley Lumber-sup	\$340.34	Ansley Post Office-stamps	\$915.00
Beaumont Enterprises-ser	\$100.00	BCBS-ins premium	\$3,202.60
Border States-sup	\$2,058.09	Bow Family Furniture-cove/adhesive	\$469.63
Capital Business-copier/copies	\$180.23	Cenex-fuel	\$815.84
Custer Co. Chief-adv/pub	\$149.76	Custer Federal-invtmnt	\$9,600.00
Custer Public Power-sup	\$1,125.55	Dept of Energy-en	\$1,123.40
Deterdings-pool chemical	\$77.38	Dutton-Lainson-fees/sup	\$1,973.86
Eakes-sup	\$987.52	First Concord-HRA mngmt fees	\$75.00
Guardian-ins premium	\$110.00	Jim's Trenching-gen labor	\$2,438.19
Lex A.S.W.A.-tipping fees	\$1,344.42	Loup City Auto-sup	\$263.17
Mead Lumber-sup	\$35.24	Melham Medical Center-fees	\$103.00
Midwest Septic-ser/test	\$427.00	MEAN-en	\$30,691.53
Municipal Supply-sup	\$136.58	NCTC-phone/internet	\$413.97
NE DOR-state tx wh	\$762.10	NE Public Health-fees	\$15.00
NE Unemployment-tx	\$246.21	Neal Tree Service-tree trimming	\$7,500.00
One Call-locate requests	\$16.36	Patriotic Builders-materials/labor	\$10,259.48
Paulsen-sand	\$388.78	Petroleum Tech-oil analysis	\$68.34
Petty Cash-postage/refunds	\$464.80	PLP Unlimited-lake spray	\$1,012.00
Protective Equipment-ppe sup	\$756.30	SE Municipal Solar-en	\$889.54
Union Bank-invtmnt	\$9,500.00	US Bank-sup/subscriptions	\$239.46
US Cellular-table	\$81.72	V-Bar-gen labor/materials	\$96.66
Village of Ansley-utl	\$2,574.87	Wesco-sup	\$805.41
Lisa White-deposit refund	\$200.00	Payroll-salaries	\$12,201.72
Black Hills-utl	\$515.74	NE DOR-sales/cons use tx	\$3,456.17
NE Power Review-fees	\$116.58	Kaycee Nelson-gen labor	\$183.75
Yanez Service-fuel/sup	\$1,579.45	Payroll-salaries	\$16,247.82
Fed Tax Dep-PCORI Fee	\$11.52	Fed Tax Dep-July Tax WH	\$7,161.91
Todd Grant-cell	\$25.00	Invesco-retirement	\$2,200.00
Bryan Kruger-cell	\$25.00	Michelle Nelson-cell	\$25.00
Dallas Thomas-cell	\$25.00	Village of Ansley-employee ins share	\$153.74

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairperson Rehfeld adjourned the meeting at 8:42 p.m.

ATTEST:

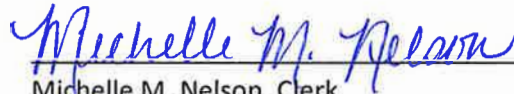

Scott Rehfeld, Chairperson


Michelle M. Nelson, Clerk

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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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Michelle M. Nelson, Clerk