Village of Petersburg Proceedings February 2, 2021

The Petersburg Village Board met in the Village office for a Regular meeting on Tuesday, February 2, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Notice was published and posted. The board was given prior notice of the meeting. Chairman Stokes called the meeting to order and stated the Open Meeting Act was posted.

Trustees present: Stokes, Werner, Henn, Thieman, and Koch. Staff: Prothman, Stokes, Provencher. Guests: Helen Baumgartner, Doug Koch, and Officer Keck.

Minutes of the January meeting were approved with a motion made by Henn seconded by Thieman. All present voted aye, motion carried.

Treasurers report was presented and approved with a motion made by Henn seconded by Koch, all present voted aye, motion carried.

Bills presented for payment:

Wages: 6695.59

EFTPS, payroll tax: 2007.78

Village Reg. Acct., Motor Vehicle sales tax: 1046.43

Village Reg. Acct., sales tax transfer for loan pymt: 1000.06

Boone Co. Treasurer, police: 1375.00

Boone Co. Zoning, fee: 100.00 Neil Baumgartner, se: 120.00

Tracy Paulson, se: 93.00

Great Plains State Bank, loan pymt: 1000.06

Bud's Sanitary, se: 3578.50 Albion News, adv: 141.18

Charles Schwab, Nick's retirement: 250.77 Charles Schwab, Sundae's retirement: 132.28

NE Dept. of Revenue, sales tax: 60.53

Boone Co. Clerk, elect.: 43.52 Applied Connective, se: 125.00

Yosten Law, se: 104.00; NE Dept. of Revenue, lodging tax: 1.14

1st National Bank of Omaha, water samples: 26.75

Applied Connective, se: 75.00

Bomgaars, su: 129.88 IIMC, dues: 175.00

Great Plains Communications, se: 328.77 NE Environmental Health Lab, se: 15.00

Kayton, yearly bobcat lease: 2309.00

Appeara, se: 64.16

Cedar Valley Insurance, 20-21 Insurance: 4040.50

Cedar Valley Ins., Fire Pak: 4175.00

Applied Connective, service on office computer: 218.75

Northeast NE Clerks Association, dues: 20.00

Loup Power, se: 1999.57

Loup Power, Christmas lights: 215.95

Leifeld's, su: 27.63 Island Supply, se: 29.76 One Call Concepts, se: 3.45 Zabka Service, se: 250.02.

Stokes made a motion to pay the bills, and those not in yet, second by Thieman, all present voted aye, motion carried.

Police reported 73.92 hours of patrol time.

Doug Koch from PIDC would like to get a few members from the Village board together to have a vision meeting, to see where each group is currently standing and what future plans may be. A couple years have passed since the last vision meeting.

Koch also mentioned getting a sidewalk put along side of highway 14. A lot of people walk on that street in the early morning and evening and with the recent fog it has brought up some safety concerns. A plan was written up for this about 10 years ago, the state may still have it on file. There shouldn't be any changes to the old plan except for the handicapped sidewalk by Helena. Putting a sidewalk in now shouldn't be a problem to any future business.

Discussion was held on the Splash Pad, so far, no official plan is made they are still in the process of raising money for it. Currently holding a raffle to raise funds. There are a few purchase options.

Short discussion on vacant properties and timelines on plans of vacant properties. Dog licensing is coming up in April, will be mailed out this month.

The county plans road construction from Highway 14 west including 1000 feet in city limits. The county has decided to do the 1<sup>st</sup> mile, it will be concrete. The Village as per our Interlocal Agreement is responsible for 50 percent of major road construction. The cost for the Village will be about \$55,000. The county offered it to us that we could make payments if needed. Currently don't know exact time of construction.

The Fire Department had the opportunity to buy Albion's old ambulance. The Village shared costs on the last ambulance, but it was not budgeted for this year. The rural board bought it out right, so no cost to Village.

School facilities were discussed. The school facilities committee is having a meeting Monday where perhaps a final decision will be made. Koch and Stokes plan on attending. After the facilities committee makes their decision the board would like to present it to the town so they could be informed on what is happening. A lot of the Village residents don't even know about the school yet. Currently the plan is to demolish the entire building and sell the land for real estate. The Village can not afford to maintain it, but the residents may want to keep the gym. Maintenance and costs are factors that need to be considered. If presented to the residents of the Village, a group of people may be willing to split costs and maintenance to keep the gym, if that is an option.

Prothman will proceed with getting bids on Armor coating. The wastewater plant's pump motor went out, ordered a back-up one to have. Prothman reported he found a more energy efficient motor so he will start switching them out weekly. Prothman will continue to get bids for dumpsters for April's cleaning days. Prothman has been having computer malfunctions recently causing his computer to freeze. A motion was made by Henn seconded by Werner for Nick to get a new computer. All present voted aye, motion carried. Prothman also reported he was still waiting on chains on ordered.

Provencher reported that the Nebraska Legislature just passed a new law where all treasurers are required to get 8 hours a year of continued education. Currently they are unsure if the 8 hours will be included with clerk school or in addition to.

Stokes made a motion to adjourn the meeting second by Thieman, all present voted aye.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m. Next regular meeting will be held on March 2, 2021.

Corey Stokes, Chairman	
ATTEST: Sundae Provencher, Clerk-	