

Village of Petersburg Minutes
June 1st, 2021

The Petersburg Village Board met in Regular Meeting June 1st, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. Notice was published and posted at the Village Office, Post Office, and Leifeld's. The board was given prior notice of the meeting. Chairman Stokes called the meeting to order and stated the Open Meetings Act was posted.

Trustees present were : Corey Stokes, Tina Henn, Steve Werner, Mitch Koch, and Ashley Thieman. Staff: Nick Prothman and Sundae Provencher. Guests Helen Baumgartner from Petersburg Press, Mary Ziemba, Boone County Zoning, Tina Stokes from BCDA and Deputy Dustin Martin.

Sales tax from March 2021 was \$6,373.19 (\$1,027.57 Motor Vehicle Sales Tax).

Minutes of the May meeting were approved with a correction of Cold-mix in place of coal-mix on page 4 by a motion from Werner, seconded by Koch. Roll call votes in favor: Stokes, Henn, Werner, Koch, and Thieman; opposed: none; motion carried.

Treasurer's report was approved with a motion by Henn, seconded by Thieman. Roll call votes in favor: Stokes, Henn, Werner, Koch, and Thieman; opposed: none; motion carried.

Bills presented for payment:

Wages: 6,293.14

EFTPS payroll tax: 1,703.76

Village Regular Account, transfer to pay loan: 1,000.06.

Village Regular Account, Motor Vehicle sales tax transfer: 1,027.57

Boone County Treasurer, police: 1,375.00

Boone County Treasurer, zoning fee: 100.00

Neil Baumgartner, service fire equipment: 120.00

Tracy Paulson, cleaning: 93.00

Great Plains State Bank, loan payment: 1,000.06

CVIA, life renewal: 1,958.40

Albracht Disposal, 8 roll offs for clean-up days 11.41 tons: 1,892.73

NE Public Health Environmental Lab, service: 630.00

Yosten Law, May legal services: 52.00

Boone County Register of Deeds, release of lien/Getzfred: 16.00

Bomgaars, supplies: 184.00

Great Plains Communication, phone and internet service: 432.86

Verizon, utility supt. cell phone service: 78.68

Schmeits, Mueller & Martinsen, 2020-2021 budget & 1099's: 2,005.00

Loup Power, service: 2,013.45
Municipal Supply Inc. of Omaha, supplies: 605.06
Albion News/Boone County Tribune, advertising and supplies: 173.28
Helena, supplies: 115.00
Great Plains State Bank, UV Sewer loan payment: 1,562.96
Zabka Service, fuel: 850.26
Rae Valley Market, supplies: 44.56
One Call Concepts, service: 9.60
Island Supply, service: 29.76
Black Hills Energy, service: 415.50
First Bankcard, postage & SDL: 123.85
Charles Schwab, Nick's retirement: 250.77
Charles Schwab, Sundae's retirement: 132.28
First National Bank of Omaha, supplies: 65.28
NE Dept. of Revenue, sales tax paid: 2,110.39

Stokes made a motion to pay the bills and those not in yet, seconded by Thieman. Roll call votes in favor: Stokes, Henn, Werner, Koch, and Thieman; opposed: none; motion carried.

Police reported 59.5 hours of patrol time. Martin stated their hours are down due to being short a deputy. The upcoming Cruise Night and Carnival days were mentioned. Burnouts during Cruise Night are to be kept on main street and out of the residential area. There will be security during the Cruise Night.

Tina Stokes presented a daily liquor license for the Bash in the Burg, to the board for approval. Stokes mentioned the event will be similar to those in the past. The Bash in the Burg will be held July 24th with events at the park and on main street. A motion was made by Corey Stokes to approve the Special Daily Liquor License, seconded by Thieman. Roll call votes in favor: Stokes, Henn, Werner, Koch, and Thieman; opposed: none; motion carried. Tina Stokes also reported BCDA is hiring.

The Village board reviewed the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement to enter into a new Comprehensive Development Plan with Boone County. Koch made a motion to sign into the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement, seconded by Stokes. Roll call votes in favor: Stokes, Henn, Werner, Koch, and Thieman; opposed: none; motion carried.

One Zoning permit was approved by the Zoning Administration.

Mary Ziemba explained the proposed timeline for the Annexation of Koch's III addition. The board will submit the letter of intent and the Ordinance to the Planning and Zoning Committee for their recommendation prior to having three public hearings, and readings of Ordinance 2021-2. The board reviewed the letter of

intent and Ordinance 2021-2, annexing Koch's III addition. A motion was made by Koch and seconded by Thieman to submit the letter of intent and Ordinance 2021-2 to the Planning and Zoning Committee. Roll call votes in favor: Stokes, Henn, Werner, Koch, and Thieman; opposed: none; motion carried.

Ordinance 2020-1 Vacant properties was discussed. It has been a year since the board first sent out the Notice of Vacancy letters to owners of vacant property within the Village. The board received positive results within a year but there are a few remaining vacant properties. The board discussed doing another walk through of properties to see how much progress was made. After a walkthrough is complete letters will be sent to owners of remaining vacant properties assessing the vacant property fee.

Ordinance 2017-8 motor vehicle ordinance was discussed. The board stated Ordinance 2017-8 is a good ordinance however, Section 2 Rule 24 should specify trucks rather than vehicles. The board discussed the condition of the roads and how they aren't built to withstand the weight of trucks. The Ordinance currently states No vehicles shall be parked upon any street, alley or public place for more than twenty-four hours. A motion was made by Werner to change the word vehicles to trucks seconded by Koch. Roll call votes in favor: Stokes, Henn, Werner, Koch, and Thieman; opposed: none; motion carried.

LB 26 exempting residential water consumption from sales tax was discussed. The board discussed the income loss that could result from this. The bill doesn't become effective until October which is the beginning of the fiscal year. This will have to be considered when doing the budget. May lead to a rate increase. The board will revisit when it gets closer to October.

LB 432 was discussed. Firefighters are now eligible for certain benefits for a period of time after they stop serving. The board will notify the Fire chief of the annual report that is required to be submitted regarding the amount of emergency calls throughout the year. Village board and Rural board plan to have a meeting in July or August to discuss any possible upcoming expenses.

Carnival days are scheduled for June 22nd and 23rd. The carnival will hold the same events as the 2019 Carnival Days. The carnival was missed last year due to the pandemic, it will be good to have it back.

Prothman asked the board if they wanted to pursue a shed for the generator at the waste-water treatment plant. The board asked Prothman to get some prices on concrete and materials. Prothman guesstimates around \$5,000 but will get some quotes. Prothman reported he is still waiting on the blower pump he ordered for the waste-water treatment plant. He has been struggling with keeping the current one working. The cold mix the Village just got was tested in 3 or 4 spots and seems to be working well so far.

Provencher requested to attend the 2021 Municipal Accounting and Finance Conference in June. The conference is through a webinar for 6 days. Henn made a motion to approve Provencher to attend the 2021 Municipal Accounting and Finance Conference, seconded by Thieman. Roll call votes in favor: Stokes, Henn, Werner, Koch, and Thieman; opposed: none; motion carried. Provencher reported staying late one day to make up for leaving early a previous day.

Henn mentioned a dip in the road and asked if the Village or County was responsible for repairing it. Prothman stated the State was notified about the dip about 10 days ago. The board discussed budgeting for the county road construction since it hasn't taken place yet.

Stokes asked the board for their thoughts on extra insurance coverage from the bank. The Village is currently holding around \$30,000 more than is covered by insurance. The board felt with big expenses coming up soon those funds would be spent so the extra coverage wouldn't be necessary.

The board discussed the cleaning process of the park Restrooms. It was questioned how much time is required to properly clean and restock the restrooms. Board will talk with the Park Help regarding cleaning procedure.

Stokes made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Thieman. Roll call votes in favor: Stokes, Henn, Werner, Koch, and Thieman; opposed: none; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Corey Stokes, Chairman

ATTEST: Sundae Provencher, Clerk/Treasurer