

Village of Petersburg
March 5th, 2024

The Village Chairman and Board of Trustees of the Village of Petersburg, NE met for a regular meeting on Tuesday March 5th, 2024, in the Village Office at 7:00 p.m. Notice of the meeting was posted at the Village Office, Post Office and Leifeld's on February 23rd and posted in the Petersburg Press on February 28th. Board members were given prior notice of the meeting. Chairman Stokes called the meeting to order stating the Open Meetings Act was posted.

Board members present: Corey Stokes, Steve Werner, Ashley Thieman and Tina Henn. Staff: Nick Prothman and Sundae Provencher. Guests: Clyde Stuhr, Helen Baumgartner of Petersburg Press, Deputy Dustin Martin and three government students.

Minutes were approved with a motion by Werner seconded by Thieman; votes in favor: Stokes, Werner and Thieman; opposed: none; absent: Henn and Koch.

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

Bills presented for payment:

Wages: 5,765.16

EFTPs, payroll taxes: 1,612.70

Village Regular Account, transfer motor vehicle taxes: 2,632.72

Boone County Treasurer, zoning: 100.00

Boone County Treasurer, police protection: 1,375.00

Neil Baumgartner, service fire equipment: 120.00

Esther Steensnes, cleaning: 110.25

Jeff's Farm Tire Service, payloader repairs: 1,110.00

City of St. Edward, annual kennel fee: 87.50

Quality Iron & Metal, plow blades: 106.88

Ramada by Wydham Columbus, room for Clerk's Institute: 396.00

Northeast NE Clerks Association, annual dues: 20.00

Loup Power District, electricity: 2,022.25

Great Plains Communications, telephone and internet: 466.62

NE Public Health Env. Labs, lab fees: 15.00

Bomgaars, supplies: 44.98

Speed Services, sewer line clean-out: 535.00

Central Valley Insurance Agency, policy renewal installment: 5,084.00

NE Cooperative Government, lottery license renewal: 100.00

Zabka, fuel: 250.46

Albion News/Boone County Tribune, advertising: 92.93

One Call Concept, service: 1.60

Appera, laundry costs: 148.12

Applied Connective Technology, Microsoft office: 12.70

Reigle Implement, filter: 103.35

University of NE Omaha, clerk's institute: 343.00

Leifeld's Hardware, supplies: 33.57
Midwest Labs, lab fees: 140.20
Yosten Law, LLC legal fees for February: 377.00
Bud's Sanitary, trash service: 3,539.50
NE Department of Revenue, sales tax: 768.65
Yosten Law, LLC, legal fees: 572.00
Maguire, inv. 4144 remaining interior water tower painting payment: 25,200.00
Black Hills Energy, natural gas: 1,295.11
First National Bank of Omaha, supplies: 450.01
First National Bank of Omaha, supplies: 419.73
Nebraska Rural Water Association: annual conference: 445.00
Verizon, cellphone: 86.86
123 Main Street Offices, printed copies of lead & copper forms: 20.00
Charles Schwab, Nick's retirement: 298.41
Charles Schwab, Sundae's retirement: 156.00

The Island Supply bill needs to be looked into. The Fire Department started getting cylinder rentals from someone else. Stokes made a motion to pay the bills and those not in yet, excluding the Appera bill, seconded by Henn; all votes in favor: Thieman, Werner, Henn and Stokes; opposed: none; absent: Koch.

Sales Tax from December was \$9,818.43 with \$2,632.72 motor vehicle sales tax.

Police reported 63.10 hours of patrol time. Board members stated there has been a suspicious driver around town and around the park. Officers will be notified to keep an eye on the situation.

BCDA monthly update flyers were given to the board members.

Community Improvement: Banners were discussed at the Community Club meeting the previous night, they were wondering if there were any extra flags on hand. There is a torn flag that needs to be replaced on Hwy. 32. Nick stated he has a few flags on hand, but they are a different shade of green. Thieman and Henn didn't think the color would matter. Park restroom renovations were discussed. Someone has been hired to epoxy the floors and they want new toilets. The Easter Egg Hunt will be held on March 30th, the restrooms will need to be open for that.

BRAN is staying a night in Petersburg on June 5th. They are expected to arrive from noon to 3, coming from Burwell. A one-day liquor permit needs to be obtained for that day. They plan to serve until 9, the bikers don't stay up late as they will be packing up to leave in the morning. A map of the fenced area will need to be provided to apply for one. The firefighters will map out an area. There will be lunch options available at the park, St. John's will have pie and coffee, the Foundation will be providing dinner June 5th, and the Firemen will provide breakfast on the 6th. Volunteers will be needed. A scouter for BRAN is expected to come out within a month and check out the area.

The Ag Appreciation Breakfast will be held at the Firehall on March 16th. The dog vaccination/licensing clinic will be held there as well from 10-12.

Clean-up days were discussed. Prothman got a quote from Albracht Disposal for \$280 for a 20-yard roll-off plus \$70 a ton, the roll-offs usually hold around 2 tons. They

are available whenever except one day in May. The 3rd weekend of April 19, 20 and 21st was chosen for clean-up days. Discussion was held on having a paint and tire recycling day. It has been about 15 years since Petersburg had one. It is somewhat costly, but grants are available. It would be nice to be able to offer that.

Prothman reported the A field lights will be done in a month; they were able to find a replacement lens. He has received around 30 lead and copper forms, and still needs about 75. The speed radar signs are non-fixable. Will have to buy new panels which were quoted at \$3,000 for both. They are beneficial because they slow down traffic a lot. They will have a 3-to-5-year warranty. The current ones are around 10 years old. Werner made a motion to get the new panels for the speed radar signs, seconded by Thieman; votes in favor: Stokes, Henn, Werner and Thieman; opposed: none; absent: Koch.

Prothman wants to get another load of red rock for the camper sites. He has had some complaints about the pads not being wide enough. It would be \$675 for a full truck or broken red rock. Werner made a motion to buy a load of rock, seconded by Henn; votes in favor: Thieman, Werner, Henn and Stokes; opposed: none. Prothman got a call from SEDA Land Handling a while ago about having some millings for sale, he only has 2 loads left now. It is \$800 for a sideload of millings. 9th Street needs to be developed. The road might need to be built up before placing millings down. The millings could be stockpiled until ready to use. Zwingman will be consulted about developing 9th street. Werner made a motion to get 2 loads of asphalt, seconded by Stokes; votes in favor: Thieman, Henn, Werner and Stokes; opposed: none; absent: Koch, motion carried.

Provencher ordered the ariel photo of the town, but it cut out some sections of town, none of the new development is depicted in the photo at all. Shutterfly credited the account, however a new photo needs to be ordered prior to March 22nd. Provencher stated after she edited the photo to reprint it lowered the image quality and Shutterfly won't except it. Thieman stated maybe a local photographer would be able to scale the photo better. That photographer will be contacted.

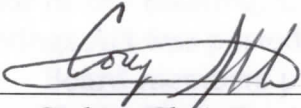
Provencher will be gone for the annual Clerk's Institute form March 18-22. Prothman will be gone for his conference March 11-13.

Werner stated the dog vaccination clinic is set up for March 16th from 10 to 12. He stated he would not be able to be there. Provencher said she planned on being there to issue dog licenses. The Fire Department will be requesting two one day liquor permits, one for BRAN and the other for the annual firemen's fundraiser in June.

There was a sewer back up during the month of February on a Sunday when Nick and Corey were both out of town. Speed Services came out to service it, they removed roots and grease from the line. The Village Campus is expecting to get their final inspection next week for their occupancy permit. Yosten Law sent a letter to Sea Spray after Nick and Ross's phone call with Sea Spray. Brandi sent over a drafted settlement agreement which they returned, and it was not what we were asking for. Brandi sent a new settlement agreement this morning asking them to sign and return it within 7 days or we will move forward with litigation.

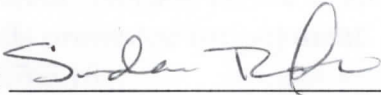
Stuhr said they will be doing the memorial service in the park again this year and asked if Nick could bring benches over again this year.

Summer help was discussed. Need to start getting help lined up, an ad will be put in the paper. Thieman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Henn. Meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.



Corey Stokes, Chairman



ATTEST: 

Sundae Provencher, Clerk