

January 2, 2008

The Village of Elmwood Board of Trustees met in regular session with Trustees Cline, Winter, Hogue, & Meyer present and with Chairman Blunt presiding. All signed the "Notice of Acknowledgement of Meeting". Butch Sailors, Michelle Fields, George Fields, David Baer, Brody Baer, Lou Allgayer, Eugenia Bornemeier, Bonita Drake, & Dan Spaulding were, also, in attendance.

Chairman Blunt declared the Open Meeting Act Posted.

Presentation of the minutes of the December 19 meeting. Winter asked for a correction that required changing a street report to read: Michelle Fields indicated the snow was not removed from the sidewalks of Jean Martine & Marthena Degarmo and the Trustees requested letters be sent to them as a reminder of the snow removal code. Chairman Blunt declared the minutes approved as corrected.

Winter reported that he and Fred Cline visited the David Baer residence on December 29th @ 1:00 p.m. to verify Mr. Baer's Statement of 11/21/07 indicating that all of his vehicles were licensed, insured and operational. He addressed the concerns of Mr. Baer and listed the vehicles and the status at the time of the visit in a written report. All vehicles were started and moved forward and backward with the exception of two. One was frozen down and the other had a frozen clutch and could not be put in gear. The board discussed the items and agreed to allow Mr. Baer to contact Winter or Cline when they have thawed out and they will verify the operation of those remaining vehicles.

An update by Drake on the dog issue at 225 West D Street. A notice has been sent by the village attorney giving the Vrchota's until January 7th to license the dogs and apply for a kennel permit. They were, also, reminded that dogs are not to run at large and are subject to impounding if caught. It was noted that two additional complaints have been received concerning these dogs since the last meeting. Discussion of the need for an "Animal Control Officer" followed. An ad will be placed in the area newspapers asking for applicants to contract for the position on an as needed basis. Additional discussion included the possibility of an ordinance limiting the breeds of dogs allowed in the village.

Reports of Boards & Commissions:

Water: Spaulding reported that during the last year we made 32,000,000 gallons of water. This is about 130 gallons per person per day.

No other action taken.

Presentation of the Claims: Federal Withholding \$1,645.71; JEO Consulting Group \$400; Elmwood Public Library \$1,150; Omaha Public Power \$2,468.36; United Systems Technology \$100; Cass County Refuse \$60; Hawkins Water Treatment \$149.97; Windstream \$102.13.

Payroll 12/26/07 \$2,904.55. Motion by Meyer 2nd by Hogue, to pay the claims as presented.

RCV: Aye: Meyer, Hogue, Cline, Winter, Blunt Nay: none; Absent: Hogue.

New Business: Appointment of the Village Engineer. Motion by Meyer, 2nd by Cline to appoint JEO as the Village Engineer. RCV: Aye: Meyer, Cline, Winter, Blunt Nay: none; Absent: Hogue.

New Business

Motion by Winter, 2nd by Hogue, to approve a building permit for Richard Eyman with a comment that the footings on the plan were only 36" not the 42" required. All voted to approve.

There being no further business Chairman Blunt declared the meeting adjourned.

Bonita Drake

Edward Blunt