

August 6, 2008

The Village of Elmwood Board of Trustees met in regular session with Trustees Meyer, Fields, Winter, & Ernst, present and with Chairman Blunt presiding. All signed the "Notice of Acknowledgement of Meeting". Butch Sailors, Don and Diane Stille, Dan Schulz, Tom O'Conner, Gerry Wilhelm, Karen Fleischman, Susan Ernst, Lou Allgayer, Dan Spaulding, and Bonita Drake were, also, in attendance.

Chairman Blunt declared the Open Meeting Act Posted.

Presentation of the minutes of the July 16, 2008, meeting. Chairman Blunt declared the minutes approved as presented.

The Financial Report for July 2008 presented by the Treasurer. Motion by Meyer, 2nd by Fields to accept it as presented. RCV: Aye: Winter, Fields, Ernst, Meyer, Blunt; Nay: none.

Dan Schulz, LPSNRD, introduced Tom O'Conner, EA Engineering, who gave a presentation of a Nitrate Verification Study done for the LPSNRD. A copy of said study is on file at the Elmwood Community Water Treatment Plant. Schulz indicated that we are in a stage three situation and it is up to the Board of Trustees to decide what action they want to take.

Unfinished Business:

Spaulding presented specs for a new shop building. Motion by Meyer, 2nd by Fields, to put the specs as presented out for bids. RCV: Winter, Ernst, Meyer, Fields, Blunt voted aye. Nay votes none.

Karen Fleischman addressed the board concerning the need to license her dogs that are kept in a barn that is outside the Village Limits. Motion by Fields, 2nd by Winter, that these dogs must be licensed with the Village Clerk if the residence is within the Village Limits. RCV: Aye: Winter, Fields, Ernst, Blunt, Meyer. Nay: none. Mrs. Fleischman immediately took action to pay the License Fees and the Late Charges after showing proof of Rabies Vaccinations. Discussion of other dogs that have not been licensed as required. Clerk instructed to send letters to two of the individuals and start legal action against all unlicensed after those new persons have been notified.

Reports of Boards & Commissions:

Streets: Winter reported that the millings application and crack filling should start within the next two weeks.

Park: Fields reported that the picnic tables have not been painted at this time.

Library: The minutes from the June meeting were available for the board to review.

Water: Spaulding reported that the water usage is up slightly, but is running below the usual summer average.

Sewer: Resolution #8608 introduced by Meyer. A resolution authorizing the chairperson and the clerk of the Village of Elmwood, Nebraska, to execute documents required to receive United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development Financial Assistance. Motion by Fields, 2nd by Ernst, to approve the Resolution as introduced. RCV: Aye: Winter, Fields, Ernst, Blunt, Meyer. Nay: none.

Community Development. Clerk Drake reported that SENDD has received enough surveys to complete the tabulation and the village has qualified for L/M income levels with a 52.17% below the Low to Medium income standards. John Trouba will be at the meeting on August 20 with the tabulation of the other questions on the survey, so work can continue toward securing grants to defray the cost of the Wastewater Treatment Facility and other Community Development projects. The Board greatly appreciates the effort put forth by both surveyors and those being surveyed to make this a success. Thanks to all who completed and returned the survey they received.

Presentation of the Claims. American Exchange Bank Card Service \$158.70; Federal Withholding \$1,731.74; Midwest Farmers Co-op \$319.30; Elmwood Public Library \$1,150; League of Nebraska Municipalities \$863; State of NE Public Health Environmental Lab \$23; Meeske Ace Hardware \$96.58; Omaha Public Power \$ 2,709.61; Aquila \$85.88; Postmaster

\$270; Morgan Real \$5.03; Village of Elmwood Utility Fund \$44.97; Petty Cash-Bonita Drake \$59.61; Municipal Supply \$119.84; Cass County Refuse \$95; Hawkins Water Treatment \$161.97; Elmwood Equipment \$84.89; Windstream \$114.97; ABC Electric \$288.02 Payroll 7/23/08 \$3,0334.67. Motion by Meyer, 2nd by Fields, to approve the Claims as presented. RCV Aye: Fields, Winter, Ernst, Meyer, Blunt Nay: none.

New Business:

John Wilhelm, Jr. presented an administrative plat for tax lot 27 to be subdivided. This was submitted for approval by the Board of Trustees. Motion by Meyer, 2nd by Winter, to approve the subdivision as presented. (copy on file with the Clerk)

Motion by Meyer, 2nd by Fields, to approve a building permit submitted by Archi + Ect for the Elementary School renovations. RCV: Aye: Meyer, Ernst, Fields, Winter, Blunt Nay: none.

Correspondence was presented from Elmwood Little League, League of Municipalities, Lower Platte South NRD, Cindy Mumford, Library Director.

Budget discussions followed. An increase to the Library Budget of \$400 was approved and increases to both the Water Rates and the Sewer Rates to meet rising costs of operation. It was noted that there will be increases to the Sewer Rates each year over the next three years to accommodate the new plant and the associated bond.

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

Bonita Drake

Edward Blunt