

VILLAGE OF GOEHNER

September 6, 2016

The Village of Goehner Board of Trustees met in open and regular session on September 6, 2016, at the Goehner Fire Hall, as posted in three places in the Village. Chairperson Knisley announced the location of the OPEN MEETINGS ACT POSTER. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Knisley at 7:30 p.m., at the Goehner Fire Hall. Upon roll call, the following board members were present: Knisley, Wagner, Dodson, Ulch and Ostrander.

CONSENT AGENDA: Trustee Ulch moved to approve the consent agenda, with second by Trustee Ostrander. No discussion. RCV: Aye-Trustee Dodson, Wagner, Ulch, Ostrander and Knisley. Motion carried.

JENSEN HOUSE MOVE LETTER: Chairman Knisley read the letter from the Jim and Jayne Jensen stating their intent to move the old house from their property and indicated that they either have or will have met all of the requirements of the ordinance. Ostrander made a motion to approve the Jensen house move with second by Wagner to approve the house move. No discussion. RCV: Aye-Trustee Dodson, Wagner, Ulch, Ostrander and Knisley. Motion carried.

BILL ALEXANDER CONCERNS REGARDING RAYMOND WALDEN EMPLOYMENT: Bill expressed a desire to understand why Raymond Walden is still paid and also asked for clarification on Raymond's authority in town. Bill went on to explain that it was his understanding that Raymond had told Superintendent Knisley to not maintain Alexander Street. Chairman Knisley said that Superintendent Knisley was hired at the September 6, 2011 meeting. At that time, Raymond Walden went from being full-time with full insurance reimbursements to getting paid \$100 a month plus insurance reimbursement. The intend was to have Superintendent Knisley come on board and eventually get his water license. Chairman Knisley went on to explain that Walden carries a water license for the Village and has 40 years of knowledge of the Village systems. Rafferty asked why one person couldn't do the job instead of having three part-time employees and Alexander also expressed concern regarding Walden's health. Chairman Knisley referenced that Superintendent Knisley was in-fact looking into getting his water license. Ostrander also added that the board is continually looking at keeping costs low and this method is currently cost effective.

BUDGET HEARING: Public notice was given by publication of the Budget Hearing and Budget Summary in the Seward County Independent on August 31, 2016. Chairperson Knisley opened the budget hearing at 7:33 p.m. There were no questions from the Trustees or the audiences. Trustee Ostrander with second by Ulch made a motion to close the budget hearing at 7:50. No discussion. RCV: Aye-Trustee Dodson, Wagner, Ulch, Ostrander and Knisley. Absent: None. Motion carried. Chairperson Knisley declared the Budget Hearing closed at 7:50 p.m.

Trustee Ostrander introduced Ordinance #214 and moved with second by Ulch that the statutory rule of reading the Ordinance on three different days be suspended. No discussion. RCV: Aye-Trustee Dodson, Wagner, Ulch, Ostrander and Knisley. Motion carried.

Trustee Dodson made a motion to approve Ordinance #214 reading it by title and passage with second by Ostrander. No discussion. RCV: Aye-Trustee Dodson, Wagner, Ulch, Ostrander, and Knisley. Motion carried. Chairperson Knisley declared Ordinance #214 adopted.

Trustee Dodson read Ordinance #214 for final passage and made a motion to approve Ordinance #214, with second by Ostrander. No discussion. RCV: Aye-Trustee Dodson, Wagner, Ulch, Ostrander and Knisley. Motion carried. Chairperson Knisley declared Appropriation Ordinance #214 approved and adopted for fiscal year 2016-2017 for the Village of Goehner.

RAYMOND WALDEN CONCERNS OVER GRAVEL ON ALEXANDER STREET: Raymond said that the street that the town put gravel on was vacated.

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Bill said that the road that was vacated is from ORD 65, which is a different street than the one that is currently in use today. Bill said the lawyer at the time for the Village said that the current street has to be maintained. The road recently had rock put on it, which was ordered by the town.

Alex looked up the special ordinance and found two vacated ordinances, 65 and 103. The Trustees reviewed the ordinances. They reviewed a previous street that was closed and no agreed that it longer existed. Dodson said they could visit the issue more but the town should continue to maintain the existing road as it was used publicly.

JEO STUDY OF THE LIFT STATION AND ACTION ITEMS-J. Knisley had not contacted JEO. J. Knisley asked Clerk Howe to contact Tim for three references and then get quotes. The Village will find out if the quotes include labor.

APPOINTMENT CLERK IN-TRAINING JANICE NITZ: Knisley made a recommendation to hire Janice Nitz to be in a Clerk in-training until December with a wage of \$12/hour and with \$100/insurance reimbursement. Wagner made the motion to make the hire with the Knisley's recommendations with second Dodson. No discussion. RCV: Aye-Trustee Dodson, Wagner, Ulch, Ostrander and Knisley. Motion carried.

ZONING: Woodbury had a permit for their house.

TRAFFIC: No Report

SOLID WASTE RECYCLING: No bill yet for August recycling.

STREET WATER SEWER: Everything is running right now. George said that every time we get a heavy rain, it washes out the culvert under the road to the lagoon. There was discussion of raising the road or putting in a bigger culvert. George is going to put a bunch of bricks on the North side to slow the water for now until they can properly fix it next year.

HEARING TO SET FINAL TAX LEVY: Knisley opened the hearing at 8:27 p.m., to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request for the current year. No comments were made. Trustee Ostrander moved, with second by Ulch to close the hearing at 8:34. No discussion. RCV: Aye-Trustee Dodson, Wagner, Ulch Ostrander and Knisley. Motion carried.

Resolution #230, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1601.02 provides that the property tax request for the prior year shall be for the current year for purposes of the levy set by the County Board of Equalization unless the Governing Body of the Village passes by a majority vote a resolution setting the tax request at a different amount. The property tax request for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2016, was set at \$32,087.44. Resolution #230 was read into the record, introduced and moved for approval by Ulch and second by Wagner. RCV: Aye-Trustee Dodson, Wagner, Ulch, Ostrander and Knisley. Chairperson Knisley declared Resolution #230 approved and passed.

CLERK REPORT: EMC: Jamie Knisley said he would be done this month with the repairs to the Village buildings from the EMC quote.

Clerk Howe said the Minutes keep disappearing from the post office within a day that they are posted, which prevents others in town from reading them. Howe noted that the minutes are available online at villageofgoehner.com as well. The Trustees discussed changing the posting location since this is the fifth time this year. Howe will talk to Lori about options in the post office.

There are still concerns about water drainage behind the church. They will need to resolve the final grading once construction is complete.

Motion to adjourn at Wagner p.m.by Ulch second 8:37.

Julie Howe
Clerk/Treasurer