

VILLAGE OF GOEHNER

May 7, 2019

The Village of Goehner Board of Trustees met in open and regular session on May 7, 2019 at the Goehner Fire Hall, as posted in three places in the Village. Vice-Chairperson Wagner announced the location of the OPEN MEETINGS ACT POSTER. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairperson Wagner at 7:32 p.m., at the Goehner Fire Hall. Upon roll call, the following board members were present: Meinberg, Ostrander, and Wagner. Absent: Knisley. Late: Dodson, arrived 8:00(due to awards night at high school). Other's in attendance: Barrett Nitz, George Knisley, Bill Cronquist, John Eberspacher, Jill Eberspacher, Dave Nicholas.

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

SEWARD COUNTY MUSEUM: Camping sites at the museum. No one was at the meeting to represent the museum. Held over to the June Meeting.

NUSIANCE PROPERTIES: Letter will be sent to residents in question regarding vehicles and trash on their properties. Will also include in summer newsletter that vehicles need to be licensed. Angie Ostrander will be going to the County Attorney to see what the cost for the County Attorney to represent the Village in court.

BARRETT NITZ EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT: Barrett is currently a Scout with Troop 256 in Seward working towards his Eagle Rank. He proposed to the Village Trustee's to have his Eagle Scout project to be a welcome sign into Goehner. He was asking for permission from the Trustee's to do this. He will be going to the GVFD to ask for help with funding the project (money from donations has been previously set a side for a welcome sign to be set up for Goehner). Barrett would like to put a committee together to help with the design of the sign. He's looking at having a committee of one trustee, one GVFD member and a Village resident that is not involved with either organization. Angie Ostrander volunteered as a trustee to be on the committee for this project. When the committee has done the design Barrett will need to bring it back to the Trustee's for approval.

DAVE NICHOLAUS: Would like to develop land west of the Village for residential use. Dave would like to sell the property and have a developer/contractor purchase the property and expand the Village to the west. Dave requested we locate water lines and let them know the cost to expand lines to those new residential areas. Would also like to know the cost of the expansion of the sewer lines to the area. Village Clerk will contact JEO regarding if the sewer and lift station can handle additional houses located west of town. Add to next months agenda.

JOHN EBERSPACHER: Cattle to be put out at the old turkey farm located at 985 350th Rd. (Holdrege and 350th). Is currently working with NDEQ regarding the standards to have cattle put on the property.

- Question from trustee:
 - what will the property primarily be used for?
 - Used this winter for a calving area because of the bad winter. Backgrounding yard (weaning calves from their mothers and leaving them there for 60 to 90 days before moving them on to a feed lot) and for the use of calving and breeding. Will not be a feed yard or a finishing yard. Will be younger calves, 800-900 pounds. But will not be the only thing they will be doing their, maybe expanding in the future to have more cattle.
 - Maximum number of cattle: 3272 cattle is equal to what has been there regarding poultry to cattle ratio calculation (55 turkeys to 1 cow). Set backs for a conditional use permit is 5/8 mile max number of cattle is 2500.
 - Waste numbers: Compared to the number of turkey's that have been at the facility the waste amount should be less because less cattle. (cattle/turkey ratio). John said he hopes to not have it be a nuisance to the Village, but Cattle do smell sometimes. Goal would be to move the waste to the Eberspacher farm/field as the manure comes out (move fall and spring). There will be times that the manure will be stored, and will be checking with NDEQ on if they have to store it within a building.
 - Smell: John's question is what percentage of time would there be a southeast wind to smell the turkey farm. Response, several times when turkeys were on the property.
 - With the 1300 head inside and the 650 outside it was brought up if there was a engineering/property plan that can be reviewed on what that will look like. Something for the planning committee to review as far as what the current plans are and what future plans will be.
 - Would there need to be another well to support the livestock? Response: no there's plenty of water there.
- Questions from John:
 - Expansion of facility regarding response from Village Attorney Per Mullally: permitted use provided that it is not expanded outside of the facilities or grounds that are currently in use, expansion or new development would need to be addressed. Would like bunker silo to be built? Would that be possible? Village response is we would need to reach back to Mullally for guidance.

Would like to expand to have outdoor pens as well. Asking NDEQ for exception to allow having the outdoor area as well. John suggested it will bring employment and income to the Village. Trustee's pointed out the only income would be from feed sales and building permits, and possible housing if any is available.

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Will have John respond back to questions from the Village attorney, Michael Mullally. When we receive those answer's we will revisit this with the Mullally, and will have to call a meeting of the Village planning committee.

John mentioned time was of the essence, he would like cattle on the property by fall. But Trustee's said that it will be a process that will need to be followed.

JESSIE MEINBERG: Burning of the Goehner burn pile, field next to the burn pile caught on fire. Jesse had just put chemicals and fertilizers on the fields the day before. Would like reimbursement of chemicals and fertilizers for 2.9 acres that was burned. Will hold off until the harvest to see what the yield is at the end of the harvest to see if there is a problem with yield. Need to be held over to next meeting so we have quorum to vote on this. Will reach out to insurance company to see if this is covered by insurance. Cost will be \$400 to \$500 dollars.

TRAFFIC: Sheriff's office sent out incidents report. Billy C would like to put in bigger signs 24X30 (signs will be \$35 a piece) on Holdrege and Front Street. To have people slow down. Also replacing yield signs, purchase a brand new sign at a cost of \$36. Will look into purchase from the county. Ostrander made a motion to purchase signs motion, Wagner seconded. No discussion. RCV: Aye-Trustee Dodson, Meinberg, Ostrander, and Wagner. Absent: Knisley. Motion carried.

ZONING REPORT: Sampson building west of town will need to be removed. Will ask Chairperson Knisley to call him, if he's unable to contact him will send a certified letter that it will need to be removed by June meeting. If not removed it will be condemned and if not removed by owner will be removed by the Village and bill the land owner. Will be added to next month agenda to find out the progress of removal.

SOLID WASTE RECYCLING: S/SCSWMA meeting will be on 6/27/2019.

STREET/WATER/SEWER: JEO bid was sent to restructure the road on south May street. With the cost JEO will charge to engineer the road and repair it will be asking Brent Pankoke to look at the road and let the Village know the cost. Look into culverts that need to be adjusting in a few places within the Village. Ask JEO about the ditches in town and if there's a certain depth they need to be. Discussion of crowning the road to the burn pile.

CLERK REPORT: July 23 – 26th will not be available. Test wells put in on Jamie Knisley's property between the Park and Chez Bubba to check water quality. This is at no cost to the Village, the State of Nebraska is doing this testing.

Motion to adjourn at 9:00 pm by Ostrander, second by Dodson.

Janice Nitz, Clerk/Treasurer