

**Village of Flanagan
September 17, 2024
Meeting Minutes**

Called to Order by Dave Iverson
Pledge of Allegiance
Absent – Trustee Kim Wargo and Taylor Harris

Approval of August 20, 2024, Meeting Minutes

No corrections noted.

Motion to Approve by Reid Bressner, 2nd by Steve Humke

Approval of August 12, 2024, Special Meeting Minutes

No corrections noted.

Motion to Approve by Kristy Dodge, 2nd by Jason Montello

Treasurer’s Report/Approval of Bills

July 2024 Sales Tax \$5767.46

August 2024 Motor Fuel Tax \$4077.48

Bills Reviewed

Discussion regarding increasing the \$500 amount currently being transferred to the Capitol Fund which was previously tabled was tabled again until information is received regarding Telehandler.

Motion to Approve by Steve Humke, 2nd by Kristy Dodge – Roll Call – Yes.

Person’s Present

Mr. Doug Erickson, Nebraska Township Supervisor, provided a written proposal to VOF buying the Community Building. Nebraska Township would like to also have one member on Board of Managers for the Community Building project while they are contributing via a grant form for the next 10 years, if approved by VOF. Mr. Erickson stated that the Township and VOF previously discussed items the Township would be responsible for, that will still happen, since they own most of the building, they will pay for items i.e., asbestos removal, half of the appraisal costs, as well as other items that was previously agreed upon. Nebraska Township will also pay ½ of the attorney fees all the up until VOF has possession of the building. It was also determined that VOF will be responsible for the pre/post inspection of the shared wall for damages.

Mr. Dan Brown advised the Lions Club will have trick or treating on Thursday, October 31, which will coincide with VOF. The hours will be 4-7 p.m., for trick or treating and wiener roast will be 5-8 p.m. at Legion Lake.

Police Report

No officer was present.

Employees Report

Marty advised the main lift station pump was sent in for repairs and a rebuilt pump was causing problems while the main one was being repaired. The main one was repaired, and reinstalled and so far, there have been no issues with the main pump. The spare is having

problems and will be sent in to be repaired. Court Street has been sealed. Legion Lake sewer was backing up as both bathrooms were using only one sewer line. Also in the area, a house near the lake was also having problems, it was determined the sewer lines at the residence not installed properly, all repairs to the residence and Legion Lake completed. Burn pile has now been removed, it took 6 dumpsters for the clean-up. The camera system has deterred illegal dumping. The pavilion at Legion Lake has a new apron around it. Sidewalk repairs will start next month. VOF turned in 20 tires to the Health Department for recycling.

President's Comments

Trustee Taylor Harris has submitted her letter of resignation. Dave Iverson read her letter. Her date of resignation was effective August 20, 2024.

Motion to Accept Resignation by Reid Bressner, 2nd by Jason Montello

Sheriff's Roundtable – Jason responded to a previous inquiry regarding VOF contract with the Sheriff's Department. Jason advised the VOF contract is renewed monthly. Representative Jason R. Bunting was present and introduced himself, he advised if there were questions to give him a call.

Community Building – Proposal submitted to VOF by Nebraska Supervisor Erickson will be discussed in closed session.

Main Street Restoration – Rosanna advised the grant paperwork previously submitted had a mistake, and now VOF will now have to produce an approximate addition of \$295,000, for an approximate total cost of \$854,000, to the VOF. This grant was for the repair of the lagoon and beautification to downtown. Since we included the downtown project with this grant, we must use the 50% match instead of the 75% match. We cannot rewrite our grant application for just the sanitation repairs during the current grant cycle. VOF still has not been awarded the grant, we would still have to go through the review process, but if we were to receive the grant, we would have to produce the 50% and/or take out a loan. It was decided to withdraw from this current grant process and VOF will look to Greater Livingston County Economic Development to help with beautification to downtown.

Streets and Alley – Court Street tared and chipped. Brush piles put out by residents was not picked up in a timely manner due to the burn pile being cleaned up. Marty believed everything had been picked up today.

Personnel Committee – Items will be discussed during closed session.

Zoning Committee

210 N. Harrison – Building Addition – survey completed as previously requested.

Motion to Approve by Jason Montello, 2nd by Kristy Dodge.

Sapphire Lane – New House Construction – House will sit on double lot, address has been approved for property tax purposes, address will be 201 Sapphire Lane.

Motion to Approve by Steve Humke, 2nd by Jason Montello.

219 N. Jackson – Temporary Carport – Sitting on grass, no rock, needs to show it is staked down, nothing on permit states it is temporary. This application will be tabled.

Flanagan Fest

Made a profit of \$5700. Even with weather the turnout was quite well, planning for next year will start soon.

F.I.T. Team

Decorations on coming together, small activities for the children. Possibly reserving the Legion. There will be a Santa Clause House. Possibly having vendors come in. There will be a parade, no judging on entries this year.

Open Business

Court Street – finally figured out, Habitat for Humanity no longer has an attorney, they are in the process of acquiring an attorney. Our attorney is to draft up the paperwork and they will reimburse us, and this matter will be coming to a close soon.

Park Equipment – Looking at park equipment for Legion Lake that is handicapped accessible and looking into a pickle ball court.

New Business

Telescoping Forklift Lease – Paperwork was provided with assorted options to lease and/or buy equipment. Criteria for equipment was set at 10 years or less; serviced locally; 6000-pound machine instead of a 5000-pound machine; needs to be able to reach the streetlights; try to keep it less than \$50,000.

Corrpro Maintenance Contract – annual contract for water tower maintenance at a price of \$1670.

Motion to Approve by Kristy Dodge, 2nd by Jason Montello.

Regulation of Storage Unit or Shipping Container, Ordinance 2024-13 – this new Ordinance will not affect any residence or business that currently have these units.

Motion to Approve by Jason Montello, 2nd by Kristy Dodge – Roll Call – Yes

Amendment to Compensation and Waiver of Sitting Authority for Wind Turbine Agreement – original agreement price was \$3750 per turbine. Since our agreement, the company has decided to pay all communities the same price of \$5000 per turbine. CPI shall be kept at 5% all year and never go down, which was a change as well.

Motion to Approve by Kristy Dodge, 2nd by Steve Humke

Motion to Close Session by Kristy Dodge, 2nd by Jason Montello.

Motion to Open Session by Jason Montello, 2nd by Kristy Dodge.

Open Session

VOF will propose a counteroffer to Nebraska Township for Community Building purchase. The counteroffer is Nebraska Township to pay for ½ of attorney fees to **date of completion** and the second change/addition would be **Nebraska Township to cover ½ of the demolition cost not to exceed \$25,000.**

Motion to Approve by Jason Montello, 2nd by Kristy Dodge – Roll Call – Yes

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Open Session

Verbiage changes/additions to employee handbook

Motion to Approve by Reid Bressner, 2nd by Jason Montello.

Motion to Adjourn Meeting by Kristy Dodge, 2nd by Steve Humke

Meeting Adjourned.