**CAIRO VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES**

The Village Board of Trustees met in regular session on Tuesday, December 11, 2018,

7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall, Cairo, Nebraska. On roll call the following members were present: G Sorensen, M Johnson, Bellamy, S Sorensen, and J Johnson. Absent: None. It was moved by S Sorensen, seconded by Bellamy to approve the agenda as prepared.  Ayes: Bellamy, J Johnson, S Sorensen, G Sorensen, and M Johnson. Nays: None.

Next on the agenda was the approval of the previous meeting minutes, M Johnson made a motion to accept the minutes, which were typed up by the clerk, and J Johnson seconded the motion. All five board members voted aye on this agenda item.

There was a representative present with the Hall County Sheriff’s Department, there was a total of 54.65 hours on patrol time, 6.25 hours on detail time, and 4.75 hours on criminal investigative detail time. There were a few incidents the sheriff reported on but all issues were resolved.

The “Oath of Office” was administered to re-elected board members, Gordy Sorensen and Matt Bellamy.

Next on the agenda was the election of a Chairman and Vice Chairman, the name submitted for chairman was Gordy Sorensen, Bellamy made a motion to accept G Sorensen as Chairman and S Sorensen seconded the motion. Ayes: M Johnson, G Sorensen, S Sorensen, J Johnson, and Bellamy. Nays: None. M Johnson made a motion to accept Bellamy as Vice Chairman and S Sorensen seconded the motion. Ayes: S Sorensen, J Johnson, M Johnson, G Sorensen, and Bellamy. Nays: None.

S Sorensen made a motion to appoint Olsson Associates as the village engineer after a little discussion, S Sorensen is going to look into other engineering firms but for now the village is going to stay with Olsson, Denise Myers as the village attorney, Jaime Rathman as the village clerk, and Christy Osburn as the village deputy clerk, M Johnson seconded the motion. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. M Johnson made a motion to appoint Ameritas as the village’s fiscal agent, Bellamy seconded the motion. Ayes: Bellamy, G Sorensen, J Johnson, S Sorensen, and M Johnson. Nays: None. Bellamy made a motion to appoint Terry Robertson, CRA member, whose term is up, J Johnson seconded the motion. All board members voted aye on this agenda item. M Johnson made a motion to appoint The Clipper as the village’s legal newspaper for notices, S Sorensen seconded the motion. Ayes: J Johnson, S Sorensen, Bellamy, M Johnson, and G Sorensen. Nays: None. Bellamy made a motion to appoint Deb Blath for cleaning services, S Sorensen seconded the motion. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0.

The appointing of committees will stay the same as the previous year: Finance/Budget (Bellamy & S Sorensen), Parks/Cemetery/Pool/Community Center (J Johnson & M Johnson), Personnel (Bellamy & G Sorensen), Ordinances/Contracts (M Johnson & Bellamy), Equipment/Building & Office Improvements (M Johnson & J Johnson), Water/Sewer (G Sorensen & Bellamy), and Economic Development (J Johnson & S Sorensen). The committees were approved on motion made by Bellamy and seconded by S Sorensen. Ayes: M Johnson, G Sorensen, Bellamy, J Johnson, and S Sorensen. Nays: None.

Next on the agenda was the approval of street superintendent Dave Ziska from Olsson Associates, M Johnson passed the motion and Bellamy seconded it. Ayes: G Sorensen, J Johnson, M Johnson, Bellamy, and S Sorensen. Nays: None.

Bellamy approved the current Cairo fire department and Cairo quick response team list and J Johnson seconded. Ayes: M Johnson, S Sorensen, G Sorensen, J Johnson, and Bellamy. Nays: None.

Item 11, the approval and reappointment of Jaye Monter as the village’s representative to the Hall County Regional Planning Board, was tabled.

The approval of the pay app in the amount of $80, 605. 96 to BSB Construction was approved on motion made by Bellamy and seconded by M Johnson. All board members voted aye on this agenda item.

Next on the agenda was the approval of December claims and November payroll, a few questions were asked by the board and the clerk answered the questions, S Sorensen made a motion to approve and J Johnson seconded the motion. Ayes: Bellamy, S Sorensen, M Johnson, G Sorensen, and J Johnson. Nays: None. Approval of the Treasurer’s Report, which was prepared ahead of time by the clerk, was approved on motion by S Sorensen after a few questions were discussed and seconded by M Johnson. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0.

Doug Loudon with Olsson Associates was present to discuss the ongoing lagoon project, tests have been set into the labs to check the new linear material which was hauled in from an offsite location. The new material is very good, sealing up very nice, awaiting results and working on getting water put in so the operation can stop for the winter. Two foot of water will put into the new lagoon cell, that is the minimum requirement by state law. A motion was made by Bellamy to approve Amendment No. 1 for the SRF loan agreement, this item was seconded by J Johnson. Ayes: J Johnson, G Sorensen, S Sorensen, M Johnson, and Bellamy. Nays: None. There was brief discussion on the 1 & 6 year plan which the public hearing will take place in February, Doug wanted any ideas from the board on new streets or existing plans on streets. The board shared a few of their proposals but will talk more in depth in this area at next month’s meeting.

Next on the agenda was the approval of adding 1 more week vacation to full time employees who have been with the village for over 20 years, this was approved on motion made by Bellamy which was seconded by M Johnson. Ayes: S Sorensen, Bellamy, G Sorensen, M Johnson, and J Johnson. Nays: None. Approval of increasing the part-time contract labor wage from $12/hour to $12.50/hour was approved on motion made by J Johnson, seconded by S Sorensen. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0.

A brief discussion was had about the Christmas bonuses for some of the part-time employees, it was decided that Charity Adams (Community Developer), Jayne Reimers (Contract Labor), and Diana Korinek (Pool Manager) would get a Christmas bonus of $200, this was approved on motion made by S Sorensen which was seconded by Bellamy. All board members voted aye on this agenda item.

The next item up for discussion was the extension of Suez street from Syria street to Oasis street. There are pros and cons to extending the street, cons being that the property taxes of the current owners on that block would increase, pros being it would make the lots more accessible for future developments. At this time, it is an ongoing discussion on how to move forward.

Charity Adams, Community Marketing Developer, went over what she has been working on, the north ball field received a grant for $25,000 to add a playground over at the north ball field, St Francis gave a grant to the QRT to help with the cost of purchasing a new truck. Charity will be traveling to Lincoln to meet with Olsson’s to do some grant writing for landscaping and trees for the Vet’s Memorial Park. Charity reported that the Vet’s Memorial Committee is 2 ½ pillars away from being finished, as soon as the weather is permitting, they will begin work on constructing the donor wall.

The clerk gave a report on a representative who touched base with her on changing phone companies, it would be all internet based and the lines would be run be a wireless receiver. The representative did tell her that the phone line for the well and the fire department would have to have their own receivers or they would need to stay with current company. After reviewing the information, the board decided to have the clerk/deputy clerk call around to other phone companies or even purchase a cell phone for the pool to exhaust some of the current charges.

Special reports from the committees were discussed: A.Economic Development

Committee had nothing to report. B. Finance/Budget Committee had nothing to report. C. Parks/Cemetery/Community Center/Pool Committee had nothing to report; D. Personnel Committee had nothing to report. E. Ordinances/Contracts Committee had nothing to report. F. Equipment/Building & Office Improvements Committee had nothing to report. G. Water/Sewer Committee had nothing to report.

There was a brief discussion on the current situation of adding utilities out at the industrial park, board chair G Sorensen stated he is awaiting notification from a few people and then the process will begin.

Comments from the public: None.

With there being no further business to come before the board the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 on motion by Bellamy and seconded by S Sorensen. Ayes: M Johnson, S Sorensen, J Johnson, Bellamy, and G Sorensen. Nays: None.

Gordy Sorensen Jaime Rathman

Chairperson Clerk

I do hereby certify that notice of this meeting was published and posted and that the agenda was posted as required by law.

Jaime Rathman

Clerk