**CAIRO VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES**

 The Village Board of Trustees met in regular session on Tuesday August 14, 2018,

7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall, Cairo, Nebraska. On roll call the following members were present: J Johnson, S Sorensen, G Sorensen and Bellamy. Arriving at 7:04 was M Johnson. It was moved by Bellamy, seconded by J Johnson to approve the agenda as prepared. Ayes: G Sorensen, M Johnson, G Sorensen, J Johnson and Bellamy. Nays: None.

 Next on the agenda was the approval of the previous meeting minutes which were typed up and copied by the clerk. After reviewing the minutes, the motion was approved by Bellamy and seconded by J Johnson. Ayes: Bellamy, J Johnson, M Johnson, G Sorensen and S Sorensen. Nays: None.

 No officer was present for the hall county sheriff’s report but for patrol time there were 36.91 hours, detail time 3.17 hours, and for criminal investigative detail there were 0 hours.

 The next item on the agenda was waiving “in lieu of taxes” for the 2017 tax year for the Cairo Housing Authority, the deputy clerk explained in detail that every month when we get taxes back from the Hall County Treasurer, once in a while there are taxes which are “in lieu of”, for all of last year the taxes in this category were equal to $29.94. The deputy clerk did speak with the Village accountant, Paul Mueller and he said it doesn’t matter which way the board decides to vote, the numbers are so low it doesn’t not affect our budget. The Housing board is asking that the board approves waiving these taxes so they can work on some improvements over at the Housing development. Steve Oseka, board member on the Housing Authority, explained there are different renovations and recommendations that need to be done over at the housing development and they were advised by their auditor to ask the board about the waiving of these taxes. The motion was made to approve this agenda item by S Sorensen and seconded by Bellamy. Ayes: G Sorensen, Bellamy, J Johnson, S Sorensen and M Johnson. Nays: None.

Doug Louden from Olsson Associates was present to address the progress being made out at the lagoon field, BSB Construction is back out there and linear material is being pulled from an area north of lagoon site. Doug explained that the east lagoon should be able to get done with the current linear material but the other lagoon they will need to find some more linear material. As of right now there are a couple sites which have been tested, Ravenna is the closest site where they have found the appropriate material, hoping to check at a few more locations. The material they are looking for needs to be more clay based not silt and the farther west into the industrial park you go the more shallow the material becomes. Doug also gave a brief explanation about the overlap in payments on the old lagoon project and the new lagoon project. Since the new one starts in December of 18 and the old one is not paid up until June of 19, there may be an overlap of having to make both payments, wanted us to be aware to let our accountant know. The deputy clerk did note that village accountant Paul Mueller was going to put that into next year’s budget. G Sorensen had a few specific questions on the Olsson bill and Doug explained that there was some mileage from last month which was not paid so they added it to this month’s bill.

 An approval for a pay app for BSB Construction in the amount of $13,349.70 was approved by the board on motion from S Sorensen which was seconded by J Johnson. All members of the board voted aye on this item.

 Diana Korinek, pool manager, was present and gave an update on future repairs and recommendations for next year’s pool season. She compiled a list of daily pool numbers and each board member was given a copy. She says the floor in both bathrooms needs to be looked at and possible repaired as well as trying to do something different with the caulking that is put down at the start of the 12 foot, kids tear the caulking out. She recommended having someone come out and look at the pa system, very crackly. Diana would like to have some sort of interviewing or selection process for next year’s lifeguards/assistant managers, she had several issues with lifeguards not wanting to work this season. She would like to put together some sort of rules book where each child/family has to read before they are allowed to step foot into the pool, had lots of trouble with disrespect from kids this season. Included she would like the rules book to mention something about disrespecting other people’s personal property. The clerk/deputy will work on making the rule book and a large sign to post at the pool with repercussions if the rules are not followed. She said she would like to try and get more families up to the pool and recommended maybe purchasing a volleyball net or some light up footballs to draw in the crowds. The board agreed that within the next couple of years some renovations need to be made up at the pool.

Next on the agenda were the claims and payroll, a few questions were asked on specific bills, the clerk and deputy answered the board member’s questions and the agenda item was approved on motion from J Johnson, seconded by M Johnson. Ayes: Bellamy, S Sorensen, J Johnson, G Sorensen and M Johnson. Nays: None. The board reviewed the treasurer’s report which was prepared by the clerk, a few questions were asked regarding the bonds in the debt service category, the deputy clerk explained those bonds are for the downtown project and the golf course, this led to a brief discussion on a few items concerning TIF payments and current loans, all questions were answered and the treasurer’s report was approved on motion by M Johnson, seconded by S Sorensen. Ayes: S Sorensen, Bellamy, M Johnson, J Johnson and G Sorensen.

Next on the agenda was a discussion about switching internet companies from Charter to Prairie Hills, in the past year there have been several times the office internet has been nonfunctioning, the clerk got an estimate from Prairie Hills, who is running a free installation promotion until August 17th. The estimate is around $750 for wiring and routers and putting in access points, the monthly bill would be deducted from the current rent payment the village receives from Prairie Hills. With this information the board decided to approve this agenda item on motion made by Bellamy and seconded by M Johnson. Ayes: M Johnson, G Sorensen, J Johnson, S Sorensen and Bellamy. Nays: None.

Community Developer Charity Adams was present to discuss the past events and upcoming events in the community. The bull ride event brought lots of people and had a great turn out, some recommendations were to lower ticket prices for children and to maybe have some more kid friendly events. Charity shared that the Vet’s memorial project is moving forward, she recently found someone for the lighting and received a Dunlap grant of $15,000 they will be getting very close to break ground, FFA has volunteered their services to do all the tree and flower planting. The QRT is working on raising and receiving funds to purchase a new truck, which will cost around $137,000, Charity will work on writing grants and helping them raise funds to purchase a new truck within the next two years. There will be an art canvas show coming to the Vault in October, more information will be given closer to the event. There is currently 1 booth space at the community center available for rent for Junk Jaunt, price is $115, if anyone is interested please let Charity know.

G Sorensen made aware to the board that in order to get businesses out to the industrial park, we are going to need some sort of utilities to draw them in. Anyone interested in purchasing a lot will need to know the dirt which is out there is 2 to 2 ½ feet below flood levels, this will be the responsibility of the business owner to do their own dirt work.

Special reports from the committees were discussed: A.Finance/Budget

Committee met last week and had their annual work night to prepare for the 18-19 budget. B. Parks/Cemetery/Community Center/Pool Committee had nothing to report. C. Personnel Committee had nothing to report; D. Ordinance/Contract Committee had nothing to report. E. Equipment/Building Improvements Committee had nothing to report. F. Water/Sewer Committee had nothing to report.

 The deputy clerk discussed with the board the option of adding a system called pay port to our utility billing, the machine to install would cost $110 and there would be no fees after that, fees would be charged to the customer for using their debit/credit cards to pay their bills, Charity mentioned seeing if QuickBooks offered anything similar, the clerk/deputy clerk will look into this. She also made aware there are a few outstanding bills which will be sent over to collections due to inability to pay. The board then discussed maybe putting utilities in homeowners name on all rentals in town. This will be discussed in more depth at next month’s meeting.

 Comments from the public: No public bodies were at the meeting.

 At the time of 8:25 the board went into closed session to discuss personnel issues and possible wage increases for full- time employees, the motion was made by Bellamy and seconded by S Sorensen. Ayes: G Sorensen, J Johnson, S Sorensen, Bellamy and M Johnson. Nays: None. A motion was made to exit closed session at 8:42 by J Johnson and seconded by S Sorensen. Ayes: M Johnson, S Sorensen, J Johnson, Bellamy and G Sorensen. Nays: None.

 An approval of increasing all full time employee wages by 2 %, as well as adding $50 to each full time employee’s stipend fund and adding $100 to Charity’s contract was made on motion from Bellamy and seconded by M Johnson. Ayes: Bellamy, G Sorensen, M Johnson, S Sorensen and J Johnson. Nays: None.

 With there being no further business to come before the board the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 on motion from S Sorensen, seconded by M Johnson. All board members voted aye on this agenda item.

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Chairperson Clerk

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Jaime Rathman

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