**CAIRO VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES**

The Village Board of Trustees met in regular session on Tuesday October 9, 2018,

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

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

A deputy from the Hall County Sheriff’s Department was present to go over the report, a total of 59.5 hours on patrol time, 7.67 hours on detail time, and 0.00 hours on CID. The sheriff’s department has been working the engine braking on night shift which is from 7 pm to 5 am and in the past month they have made one citation. The deputy did tell the board if they know of the company which they trucks are driving for, they can contact the owners and have them talk with the drivers.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the agreement with Olsson Associates designating Dave Ziska as Cairo’s Street Superintendent, the motion was approved by Bellamy and seconded by M Johnson. Ayes: 4. Nays: 0.

Chuck Wellensiek, member of the Mount Pleasant Cemetery Board, was present to propose that over time the village take over ownership and management of the cemetery and all paperwork go through the village office. There are several paperwork issues which first need to be taken care of before handing it over to another entity. Within the next few months the board will have a more formal presentation. In that presentation they will discuss daily duties, insurance, expenses, etc.

Cairo QRT members John & Rebecca Hadenfeldt were present at the meeting to discuss the information they have received so far for the purchase of a new QRT vehicle. They have gotten two quotes, one from Danko for $145,000 and one from Heiman for $129,000 both would be a Ford 450 style chassis, duals and 4x4, protection guard on front and storage box on back. The main reasons of looking into purchasing a new vehicle for the QRT are to transport more people to scenes, the current vehicle is not compliant, and to have more space for equipment. The new truck would have the flashing arrows on the back side and would be reflective all the way up the back. The members have asked for $20,000 from the rural board and have saved $20,000 themselves, they are asking the village to contribute $20,000 as well, hoping to raise a lot of funds during Dueling Pianos this year and maybe even some more during next year’s Go Big Give campaign. They would like to roll out their campaign at Christmas in the Village this year.

Doug Loudon with Olsson Associates was present to address the board on the lagoon project, BSB has run out of linear material and will have to get it from offsite now. The NRD has agreed to give us dirt free of charge and we will have to find a hauling company to transport from their location to ours. Doug has been in contact with both Harders and Dobesh and is waiting to hear back from both companies, after he gets word on bids from them we will move forward in the process.

A pay app for the amount of $61,717.36 to BSB Construction was approved on motion made by Bellamy and seconded by M Johnson. Ayes: S Sorensen, M Johnson, Bellamy, and G Sorensen. Nays: None.

The next item on the agenda was to discuss the current pump situation we have going on at the golf course, a new pump has been ordered to replace the pump which is bad. The bad one has been sent in to be rebuilt, Gordy recommends buying another pump to have on stock in case this issue arises in the future. The new pump which will be ordered will be put in where the rebuilt one was taken from and the rebuilt one will sit on the shelf. The same situation will occur with the town’s main lift station pump, we will purchase a new one, replace the current one and send that in to be rebuilt and when we receive the rebuilt one it will sit on the shelf in case any problem arises.

Next on the agenda were the claims and payroll, S Sorensen made a motion to approve October claims and September payroll and Bellamy seconded the motion. Ayes: Bellamy, S Sorensen, M Johnson, and G Sorensen. Nays: None. The treasurer’s report was prepared by the clerk and the board reviewed the report, S Sorensen made a motion to approve and M Johnson seconded the motion. All board members voted aye on this agenda item.

The next item on the agenda was approval of a zoning permit for Cody & Aria Diehl who reside at 303 Nile to build an addition onto their current residence. After review of the drawing which was submitted by Aria, the board decided they needed a copy of an approved plot plan from Hall County before approving this addition.

Bellamy made a motion for approval of gifting a $100 Medina Street Vault gift card to Frank Hochstetler for him letting us use his lot across from the bowling alley to use as our spot to store snow this winter, the motion was seconded by M Johnson. Ayes: M Johnson, G Sorensen, S Sorensen, and Bellamy. Nays: None.

The next item on the agenda was a discussion of how to deal with unpaid past due balances on utility bills. The board agreed that the late fee of $5.00 is not a steep enough penalty and decided to maybe up the penalty to a % or a flat fee when bills are past due after a certain number of days. This item will be reviewed with other villages/cities and finalized with a decision at next month’s meeting.

The clerk was approached by a Centura volleyball parent raising funds for Norm & Sandra Krolikowski to help with Norm’s medical expenses, every year the volleyball team hosts a “Dig Pink” night to raise funds for an individual/family who is battling cancer, she asked if the village would be willing to offer a monetary donation or a basket to raffle off. Since as a village we are not recommended to single out families in need, personal donations were made which will be given to the volleyball team by the clerk.

Next on the agenda was a discussion on the different junked residences here in town, the deputy clerk told the board we cannot tow vehicles off of personal property, the property has to be declared a nuisance and then we would need to abate the property and would have to take the owners of the residence to court. There was a discussion on residences who have repetitive junk scattered on their lawn and the board asked that these residents be notified that their residence needs to be free of such junk.

Item number 18 on the agenda: approval of request of $28,536.00 made to the sales tax committee from the Vet’s committee was tabled until further notice.

Charity Adams, Community Developer, shared that Cairo will be getting a set of “wings” which will be painted onto the Medina Street Vault building, these wings were paid for by the foundation and there will be an article featured in Vibe magazine. Junk Jaunt had a good year, the Lutheran Church had a very productive year; Charity would like to get some ideas of finding a tent or awning to put at the ball field for bad weather. Charity is going to get in touch with Southern Power about light poles over near “arena” area used for the bull ride each year. She would either like to get the poles moved or have a few more added.

The deputy clerk is working on reducing the railroad noise, she is looking into ways to reduce the noise. The one recommendation that was given was purchasing a wayside horn, this would lessen the horn volume but will be a lengthy and pricey project. The village would have to pay for the horn which is an estimated cost of $80,000 and before purchasing would need both board approval and Burlington Northern’ s approval.

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

Committee had nothing to report. 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. The Water/Sewer Committee had nothing to report.

Comments from the public: None.

With there being no further business to come before the board the meeting was adjourned at 9:13 on motion from Bellamy, seconded by M Johnson. Ayes: G Sorensen, Bellamy, S Sorensen, and M Johnson. Nays: None.

Gordy Sorensen Jaime Rathman

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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

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