

Village of Funk
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
February 6, 2023 7:30 P.M.

A Regular Meeting of the Funk Village Board of Trustees was convened in open and public session at the Funk Community Building, Funk, NE at 7:30 p.m. February 6, 2023. Advance Notice of this meeting was given in advance thereof by posting of Notice in three public places within the Village. The post office, the village office, and the community building along with publication in the Holdrege Daily Citizen. Advance Notice was simultaneously given to the Chairman and all members of the Board of Trustees. Keith Jauken called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. by calling for the roll with the following members responding: Keith Jauken, Michelle Boulware, Chris Veeder, Ed Fornker, Michael DeJonge. Absent: none. Michelle announced that in accordance with Section 84-1412 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is available for review and is posted on the south wall of the meeting room.

Visitors: Taylor L'Heureux, Lee Grove, Jeff Chase, Sam Reinke

-Approval of the Minutes of the Board Meeting from January 9, 2022. Motion to approve made by Chris, Ed second. Ayes: Keith, Michelle, Chris, Ed, Michael. Nays: None. The motion carried.

-Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting from January 13, 2022. Motion to approve made by Chris, Ed second. Ayes: Keith, Michelle, Chris, Ed, Michael. Nays: None. The motion carried.

-Approval of the Claims for February 2023: Staples 128.69, Intuit Quickbooks 26.38, Office Max 5.89, NE Dept of Revenue 59.63, US Treasury 1,080.48, LARM 89.64, Holdrege Daily Citizen 77.36, Dewald-Deaver 1,803.38, PCDC 400.00, Keith Jauken 367.82, Michelle Boulware 718.42, Cooperative Producers 18.57, Chris Veeder 845.85, Kyle Jauken 189.31, Moore's Irrigation 75.00, Atlas Automation 246.00, Brad Groothius 585.28, Groothius Plumbing 176.00, Nebraska Public Health 15.00, Black Hills 529.89, Glenwood 230.90, Southern Public Power 1,687.00, Schaben Sanitation 1,673.16. Motion to approve and pay as presented made by Keith, Michelle second. Ayes: Keith, Michelle, Chris, Ed, Michael. Nays: None. The motion carried.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Public comment was open to address the board.
2. Board reviewed and discussed past due utility accounts.
3. Sam Reinke presented the end of year 2022 annual report for Southern Power District. There will be no rate increase for 2023. Energywise incentive programs are available to consumers, and the board was informed of some grant funding that could be applied for in the future.
4. Discussed lawn care for the upcoming year. Currently the board has 1 bid, will contact additional companies for bids to review at the next meeting. Tabled until March meeting.
5. Discussed job posting for clerk/treasurer job. Taylor brought a job description and application to review. Board made a few changes to the description. Ed made a motion to approve the job description and posting, authorize advertisement online and in the newspaper, Keith second. Ayes: Keith, Michelle, Chris, Ed, Michael. Nays: None. The motion carried.
6. Discussed the increase in cost of the trash services from Schaben Sanitation. The Village received notice too late to let residents now of the price increase, so the increase will be reflected on the March statements. Ed made a motion for the Village to cover the increase in cost for the month of February, and allow the treasurer to reconcile any discrepancies in the water/sewer billing, Keith second. Ayes: Keith, Michelle, Chris, Ed, Michael. Nays: None. The motion carried. Discussion was also had on creating an updated map of current trash receptacles to reference for the future. Ed volunteered to get that completed.
7. Michael brought bids for a replacement door at the Village office. Bids were reviewed. Keith made a motion to approve the order and purchase of a door from Pro Building Supply for \$1,425.96, Chris second. Ayes: Keith, Michelle, Chris, Ed, Michael. Nays: None. The motion carried. Michael will install the door and make needed repairs including moving the payment drop box.
8. Discussion was had regarding new fire extinguishers. The current extinguishers in the village building are outdated and not able to be serviced. Michael made a motion to purchase 5 10lb extinguishers to be placed in the village buildings, Keith second. Ayes: Keith, Michelle, Chris, Ed, Michael. Nays: None. The motion carried.
9. Board discussed adding the option of credit or debit card payment for utility payments. Residents will pay a 4% fee to cover the associated fees. Keith made a motion to allow card payments, Michelle second. Ayes: Keith, Michelle, Chris, Ed, Michael. Nays: None. The motion carried.
10. Board discussed updating the look of the utility statements, Michelle brought an example to review. Michael made a motion to approve a new invoice/statement, Keith second. Ayes: Keith, Michelle, Chris, Ed, Michael. Nays: None. The motion carried.

11. Discuss use of generator and Red Cross shelter. Michael and Ed will attend the next FSCC meeting to discuss and open a dialogue for the future.

Department Reports

- Taylor brought a fee schedule for the board to review. It was discussed and will be voted on at a special meeting 2/11/23

Building Permits

Employee Reports

- Ed will visit with residents on the north end of Easy St. Will take information sheets, a copy of the newsletter and the dog ordinance

Public – The next meeting will be March 6, 2023 at 7:30pm

12. Adjournment – Michelle made a motion to adjourn, Chris second. Ayes: Keith, Michelle, Chris, Ed, Michael. Nays: None. The motion carried.

NOTE: The Chairman and Board of Trustees reserve the right to adjourn into executive session as per Section 84-1410 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes.