

Village of Funk  
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes  
March 9, 2026

A Regular Meeting of the Funk Village Board of Trustees was convened in an open and public session at the Funk Village Office, Funk, NE at 7:00 p.m. on March, 2026. 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. The Clerk 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 east wall of the meeting room.

Visitors: Jeff Hofaker, Taylor L'Heureux appeared by phone.

Ed Forkner called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. by calling for the roll with the following members responding: Michelle Boulware, Patty Lueth, David Bergstrom, Ed Forkner. Michael DeJonge.

It was moved by Michael and seconded by Michelle to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on February 9, 2026. Ayes Michelle, Ed, Patty, Michael, David. Nays: None. Motion carried.

There were no February trustee claims.

It was moved by Michelle and seconded by Patty to approve the February 2026 regular claims. Ayes: Ed, Michelle, Michael, Patty, David. Nays: none. Motion carried.

1. Public Comment – Jeff Hofaker of Phelps County Development Corporation spoke briefly regarding the annual PCDC annual meeting which will be held of March 23<sup>rd</sup> and offered his assistance if requested.
2. The Board reviewed past due utility accounts.
3. Discuss/Approve Payment of Water Damage to Tony Laverack and to approve settlement agreement. The Board reviewed the damage estimates and receipts and proposed settlement agreement. It was moved by Michael and seconded by Michelle to approve the claim and authorize the Chairman to sign the settlement agreement. Ayes: Ed, Michelle, Michael, Patty, David. Nays: none. Motion carried.
4. Discuss/Approve Bids for lawn treatments. It was moved by Michael and seconded by Patty to approve the bid from E & E Turf in the amount of \$4, 402.80. Village will request that unnecessary treatments not be done if possible to reduce the final amount of the bid. Ayes: Ed, Michelle, Michael, Patty. Nays: David. Motion carried.
5. Discuss/Approve signage for village. Tabled.
6. Discuss/Approve new Park Equipment or repairs. Tabled.
7. Discuss/Approve Fire Department rock and/or gravel. Tabled.
8. Discuss/Review zoning regulations and map. Tabled.
9. Discuss/Review proposal for bill board. Board directed Clerk to respond to request based on current zoning regulations.
10. Discuss/Approve employment for maintenance and mowing position. The Board reviewed applications. It was moved Michael and seconded by Patty to approve offer position to Scott Boulware and Bryon McDorman as deemed necessary at a pay rate of \$18.00 hourly for mowing and \$50.00 hourly for heavy equipment usage. Ayes: Michael, Patty, David. Michelle abstained. Nays: Ed. Motion carried.
11. Discuss/Approve Clerk/Treasurer compensation increase. It was moved by Ed and seconded by Michelle to enter Executive Session at 8:06 pm to discuss compensation matters with an invitation to Village Attorney. Ayes: Ed, Michelle, Michael, Patty, David. Nays: none. The Board came out of Executive Session at 8:40 pm. It was moved by Michelle and seconded by Ed to approve an increase of compensation to \$1,000.00 per month for Clerk and Treasurer compensation combined. Ayes: Ed, Michelle, Michael, Patty, David. Nays: none. Motion carried.
12. Discuss/Approve Coffee and Convo Date. It was moved by Ed and seconded by Michelle to approve the date of June 5, 2026 from 9:30 to 10:30 am for Phelps County Ambassadors Open House and approve \$40.00 from General Fund for supplies. Ayes: Ed, Michelle, Michael, Patty, David. Nays: none.
13. Discuss/Approve Easter Egg Hunt on April 4, 2026. It was moved by Michael and seconded by Michelle to approve \$150.00 from General Fund for supplies. Ayes: Ed, Michelle, Michael, Patty, David. Nays: none.

Clerks Report: The Clerk provided an update on dog license and chicken license fees received and the receipt of monies from the Loomis Rural Fire Protection and Phelps Co Mutual Finance Org.

14. Adjournment. It was moved by Michelle and seconded by Michael to adjourn at 8:49 p.m. Ayes: Ed, Michelle, Michael, Patty, David. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Next meeting: April 13, 2026.

**Village of Funk  
February 2026 Claims**

**Keith Jauken \$69.27, Black Hills energy \$428.20, Dewald-Deaver Law Firm \$634.88, Glenwood Telephone \$306.76, Holdrege Daily citizen \$85.50, Southern Public Power \$1,876.00, Leann Sobieszky \$758.67, Brad Groothius \$546.61, Nacha Operating Rules \$100.00, Nebraska Public Health Lab \$738.00, South Central Sanitation \$1976.38, Kyle Jauken \$92.35, Reliable Pest Control \$40.00, Visa \$695.68, Batch Fee \$2.57, Atlas Automation \$756.00, Tony Laverack \$1,762.90, Ward Laboratories \$47.30**