

**MINUTE RECORD
VILLAGE OF FIRTH
REGULAR MEETING**

August 2, 2022

The regular meeting of the Chairman and Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Firth, Nebraska was convened in open and public session on the **2nd day of August 2022** at the Firth Community Center. Normal notification procedures were observed. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 7:00pm. The following members were present: Kami Beaty, Jason Cooper, Craig Middle, and Dave Hobelman. Eric Mercier was absent. The Chairperson presided, and the Village Clerk recorded the minutes. The Clerk noted that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was available in the room for review.

A motion was made by Kami Beaty, seconded by Jason Cooper, to approve the meeting agenda. Roll call vote: 4 Yeas, no Nays. Absent one. Motion carried.

The minutes of the July 12, 2022, regular meeting minutes were declared approved as presented.

The minutes of the July 28, 2022, special meeting – budget workshop, were declared approved as presented.

The Treasurer presented the financial report for the previous month. It was moved by Kami Beaty, seconded by Craig Middle, to approve the **July** financial report as presented. Roll call vote: 4 Yeas, no Nays. Absent one. Motion carried.

It was moved by Jason Cooper, seconded by Kami Beaty, to approve presented bills to be paid, including monthly regular bills that come later in the month. Roll call vote: 4 Yeas, no Nays. Absent one. Motion carried.

Current Month Claims:

Abbott Portable Toilets LLC	492.90	
Better Backyards	925.00	
Black Hills Energy	81.68	
Capital City Refuse	4,369.75	
Farmers' Cooperative	692.65	
Firespring	100.00	
First National Bank	1,247.89	
Greg Edwards – plan review/inspections	120.00	
Lancaster County Sheriff's Office	1,117.40	
League Association of Risk Management	149.28	
Microsoft Office 365	8.70	
Mueller Co., LLC	1,880.52	
Nebraska Public Health Environmental Lab	15.00	
Norris Public Power	1,653.27	
Olsson	3,358.74	
One Call Concepts, Inc.	7.16	
Sam's Club	60.91	
Windstream	283.95	
Total	16,564.80	

Dave Hansmeyer gave the monthly maintenance report. Sewer lines have been jetted in the last week. There is a sewer main on 2nd street that will need to be camera'd. It was noted that the first well has been drilled. The second well will be drilled later in the week. 160 cubic yards of dirt have been delivered to the new well site to allow for the well house to be built up.

Douglas Guess and Adam Miller from Lancaster County were present to discuss the changes with the county-wide GIS address mapping program. It was moved by Kami Beaty, seconded by Craig Middle, to adopt the updated interlocal agreement with Lancaster County to have Firth be included in the county-wide GIS address mapping. Roll call vote: 4 Yeas, no Nays. Absent one. Motion carried.

It was moved by Kami Beaty, seconded by Jason Cooper, to award the bid for the Firth Water Meter Replacement project to Lincoln WinWater in the amount of \$75,660 - includes all meters and radio read antennas – Mueller brand. Roll call vote: 4 Yeas, no Nays. Absent one. Motion carried.

Concrete Docter submitted an updated bid for the park sidewalk to include a materials cost increase from the time the previous bid was given. The bid that was approved at the July meeting was \$28,875.00. It was moved by Kami Beaty, seconded by Craig Middle, to approve the new bid (to replace the previous bid) in the amount of \$29,999.99. Roll call vote: 4 Yeas, no Nays. Absent one. Motion carried.

It was agreed that Dave Hansmeyer would contact Larry Lovell to see if he has time in his schedule for Village ditch work.

There was a discussion regarding a potential Firth Business sign to be placed in the right of way on the North side of Firth Road

perpendicular to Nemaha Street. It was agreed the clerk would find some examples and possible costs of such a sign.

There was a discussion regarding 2022-2023 wages for Village employees and creating a benefits package to include retirement and possible long-term disability and life insurance along with the current stipend in lieu of health insurance. A new wage ordinance and an amendment to the Employee Handbook for the benefits package will be considered at the September meeting.

OPEN FORUM

Meeting Adjourned – 9:10pm.

David L. Hobelman, Village Board Chair

Jill A. Hoefler, Village Clerk