

**MINUTE RECORD
VILLAGE OF FIRTH
REGULAR MEETING**

June 4, 2024

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 **4th day of June 2024** at the Firth Community Center. Normal notification procedures were observed. The meeting was called to order by the Board Chairwoman at 7:00pm. The following members were present: Kami Beaty, Jason Cooper, Todd Carlson, and Samantha Henderson. Craig Middle was absent. The Chairwoman 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 Todd Carlson, seconded by Samantha Henderson, to approve the meeting agenda. Roll call vote: 4 Yeas (K. Beaty, J. Cooper, T. Carlson. S. Henderson.) No Nays. Absent one. Motion carried.

It was moved by Samantha Henderson, seconded by Todd Carlson, to approve the May 7, 2024, regular meeting minutes, and May 22, 2024 special meeting minutes as presented. Roll call vote: Roll call vote: 4 Yeas (K. Beaty, J. Cooper, T. Carlson. S. Henderson.) No Nays. Absent one. Motion carried.

The Treasurer presented the financial report for the previous month. It was moved by Jason Cooper, seconded by Todd Carlson, to approve the **May** financial report as presented. Roll call vote: 4 Yeas (K. Beaty, J. Cooper, T. Carlson. S. Henderson.) No Nays. Absent one. Motion carried.

It was moved by Smantha Henderson, seconded by Jason Cooper, to approve presented bills to be paid, including the regular monthly Norris Public Power and Farmers Cooperative bills that will come after the meeting. Roll call vote: 4 Yeas (K. Beaty, J. Cooper, T. Carlson. S. Henderson.) No Nays. Absent one. Motion carried.

Current Month Claims

Payroll	11,730.62
Payroll Taxes	834.16
Simple IRA Employer Match	299.06
Health Ins and cell phone stipends	600.00
Better Backyards	2050.00
Black Hills Energy	151.24
Blue Cross Blue Shield	519.09
Capital City Refuse	6,190.49
Cede & Co.	789.25
Facet Expense	302.16
Farmers' Cooperative	684.58
Firespring	100.00
First National Bank	848.70
Gana Trucking & Excavation	1,549.69
Microsoft Office	8.70
Midwest Dirtworks, Inc.	20,377.48
NDEE-Fiscal Services	3,141.60
Nebraska Public Health Environmental Lab	463.00
Norris Public Power	1,929.57
Olsson	8,357.93
Principal Financial Life Insurance Co	95.74
Sam's Club	906.50
Sargent Drilling	1,881.75
Windstream	393.55
Total	64,204.86

OPEN FORUM

Jarred & Candace Meyer, John Jennings & Trista McAdow, and Rick Harrison & LuAnn Lonowski addressed the Board regarding their opinion of the current ditch cleanout project on 7th Street.

Jarred Meyer stated he is still reviewing the Firth amendments to the 2009 international building code which were adopted in 2014. After his review he will move forward with creating amendments needed for Firth to adopt a more current edition of the International Building Code.

Monthly Maintenance Report - Dave Hansmeyer was out of town. It was stated that the meter replacement project is winding down. The summer mowing help is working out well.

The May Street resurfacing project has not been scheduled yet. Pavers will be doing the work.

Plans and specs for the Allen Street water main replacement project are being reviewed by the State.

Village maintenance has moved dirt to the new Welcome to Firth sign location north of Firth Road directly across from Nemaha St. Construction should begin in the next week or two depending on the weather.

It was agreed to discuss the potential downtown sidewalk project at the July meeting.

The Board received a request from a Firth resident to place a sidewalk on the north side of Firth Road between Tekolste Drive and Russell Circle to make it safer for kids to cross Firth Road in that location. A crosswalk would also be an option. The Board will look into this.

It was moved by Jason Cooper, seconded by Samantha Henderson, to have the Village order and pay for porta potties for Firth Fun Day as in past years. 4 Yeas (K. Beaty, J. Cooper, T. Carlson. S. Henderson.) No Nays. Absent one. Motion carried.

It was moved by Jason Cooper, seconded by Todd Carlson, to approve SchrockDesk - \$35.00/month computer support for the Village desktop computer. 4 Yeas (K. Beaty, J. Cooper, T. Carlson. S. Henderson.) No Nays. Absent one. Motion carried.

It was moved by Samantha Henderson, seconded by Jason Cooper to authorize the Board Chairwoman to write a letter on behalf of the Board requesting Allo to bring their internet services to Firth. 4 Yeas (K. Beaty, J. Cooper, T. Carlson. S. Henderson.) No Nays. Absent one. Motion carried.

The Board discussed creating a Firth Code Enforcement Officer position. This will be discussed again at the July meeting.

Possible changes to the Nuisance abatement definitions and policy in the Firth Municipal Code will be discussed at the July meeting.

It was agreed to wait to move forward with enforcement on nuisance properties for the time being.

The Firth Cleanup Day on May 11th was a success. It was agreed to ask that all dumpsters be delivered before the start of the Cleanup Day scheduled hours next year.

Committee Reports were given.

Sam Henderson noted several meetings with reps from different Playground companies have been scheduled. Possible options for the playground area will be discussed.

Meeting Adjourned 8:22pm.

Kamilla Beaty, Village Board Chair

Jill A. Hoefler, Village Clerk