

**Village of Loomis
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2024-7:00PM**

REGULAR MEETING

The Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Loomis held a Regular Meeting on February 13, 2024 at the Loomis Community Building. Notice of the meeting was published in the Holdrege Daily Citizen on January 30, 2024. The agenda for said meeting was kept continuously at the office of the Village Clerk.

Board Members present: Keith Fagot, Don Masten, Ben Collin, Melanie Freeman

Board Members absent: Maxine Berry

Chairman Keith Fagot opened the meeting at 7:00PM.

Don moved and Ben seconded to approve Maxine's absence. Voting Aye: Ben, Don, Keith, Melanie; Voting Nay: None. Motion passed 5/0.

Ben moved and Keith seconded to approve the agenda of the February 13, 2024 Board Meeting. Voting Aye: Ben, Don, Keith, Melanie; Voting Nay: None. Motion passed 4/0.

Don moved and Melanie seconded to approve the previous month's regular meeting minutes. Voting Aye: Ben, Don, Keith, Melanie; Voting Nay: None. Motion passed 4/0.

Ben moved and Melanie seconded that the financial reports be approved as presented: Voting Aye: Ben, Don, Keith, Melanie; Voting Nay: None. Motion passed 4/0.

Ben moved and Don seconded that the following claims be approved and paid as presented: *ATC Communications 214.65, ALPHA Heating & Air 5,485.24, American Legal Publishing Corporation 399.00, B.R. Furniture & Construction 3,135.61, Benjamin's Landscaping Corp 273.00, Black Hills Energy 631.61, Card Services 1,959.28, Central Valley Irrigation Inc. 59.00, CHS Agri-Service Center 2,114.67, Cornhusker Press 87.60, EMC Insurance Companies 40,628.00, Holdrege Daily Citizen 71.32, Holdrege Soft Water Service 3,339.00, Internal Revenue Service 1,852.24, Menards 84.66, Micheal J Pristavec 60.48, Miller & Associates Consulting Engineers 1,723.95, Municipal Chemical Supply 495.00, Municipal Supply, Inc. 1,270.67, NE Department of Revenue 290.02, Nebraska Rural Water Association 250.00, Paulsen, Inc. 407.00, PRO Building Supply, Inc. 74.40, S & W Auto Parts 148.33, Schaben Sanitation, Inc. 3,272.10, Southern Power District 1,573.00, Svoboda's Ace Hardware 393.10, Unitech Inc. 212.50, Wages 5,961.20; Voting Aye: Ben, Don, Keith, Melanie; Voting Nay: None. Motion passed 4/0.

Colby Gray approached the board for the possibility of establishing a fireworks stand near east of The Balcony. Ordinances were reviewed by the board to ensure that request was not a violation. Ben moved and Keith second to approve Colby Gray's request of a fireworks stand. Voting Aye: Ben, Don, Keith; Voting Nay: Melanie. Motion passed 3/1.

Aaron Long, FNIC Insurance Agent, presented the Insurance Policy Effective March 1, 2024 through March 1, 2025 for the Village of Loomis. The premium increased by 11% overall. Keith moved and Ben seconded that the insurance policy be approved as presented: Voting Aye: Ben, Don, Keith, Melanie; Voting Nay: None. Motion passed 4/0.

Sam Reinke, Energy Services agent from Southern Public Power District provided information on the Year-End 2023 Report of Activity for the Village Electric Distribution System. A listing of 2024 Southern Public Power District Energy Wise Incentive Programs was distributed which included Residential, Electric Vehicle, Commercial/Industrial, and Agricultural incentives. The Operation Round-Up program was highlighted in the presentation.

Melanie moved and Keith second that the Village of Loomis table the Black Hills Energy Franchise Update until the March Meeting. Voting Aye: Ben, Don, Keith, Melanie; Voting Nay: None. Motion passed 4/0.

The Village Chairman reported that Brad Kimberly from H&R Block in Holdrege would be contracted to conduct bookkeeping duties for the Village of Loomis at a rate of \$50/hour. Melanie moved and Ben second to approve the use of Brad Kimberly for bookkeeping duties for the Village of Loomis: Voting Aye: Ben, Don, Keith, Melanie; Voting Nay: None. Motion passed 4/0.

Black Hills Energy to update franchise

Don moved and Keith second the amendment of Ordinance 70.02 to include State Required Vehicles. Voting Aye: Ben, Don, Keith, Melanie; Voting Nay: None. Motion passed 4/0.

The first reading was presented for new Ordinance 32.245 concerning Property Tax Request Resolution. Don moved and Keith second to approve the first reading of the new Ordinance 32.245. Voting Aye: Ben, Don, Keith, Melanie; Voting Nay: None. Motion passed 4/0.

Maxine Berry arrived at the meeting at 7:44pm.

The Sidewalk Ordinances were reviewed by the board.

A discussion was held on the enforcement of Nuisance Ordinances upon renters and homeowners. Motion by Keith and second by Don that effective Friday, February 16, 2024 at 12:00am, the property located at 202 Commercial Street, Loomis, Nebraska 68958, legal description LOOMIS ORIGINAL TOWN, L. 7-8B. 8, under a deadline for nuisance abatement, be declared a nuisance by the Loomis Village Board if said abatement is not completed and that

the Nuisance Manager of the Village of Loomis will proceed with legal solutions which are enumerated in the correct Code of Ordinances of the Village of Loomis. Voting Aye: Ben, Don, Keith, Melanie, Maxine; Voting Nay: None. Motion passed 5/0.

The Village Clerk reported updates and information on ongoing projects that are currently in progress.

Future Agenda Items were discussed.

Ben made a motion and Maxine seconded to adjourn the meeting. Voting Aye: Maxine, Ben, Don, Keith, Melanie; Voting Nay: None. Motion passed 5/0.

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at 7:00PM at the Loomis Community Building.

With no further business, Chairman Keith Fagot adjourned the meeting at 8:14 PM.

ATTEST:
MJ Pristavec, Village Clerk

APPROVED:
Keith Fagot, Chairman