## VILLAGE OF WATERLOO REGULAR MEETING MINUTES October 25, 2011

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Waterloo met for a Regular Meeting on October 25, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Office, 509 S. Front Street.

PRESENT:

Stanley E. Benke, Jr., Chairman

Garry Lee, Vice-Chairman

Bill Rotert, Trustee-arrived at 8:28

Tom Harrie, Trustee

ABSENT:

Jeff Barnes, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT:

Melissa Johnson, Clerk's Assistant

#### **OPEN MEETING**

Chairman Benke called the meeting to order at 7:04pm and stated the location of the Open Meetings Act. Notice of the meeting was duly exercised and mailed per the bylaws.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The meeting was opened for public comments but there were none.

#### MOTIONS TO APPROVE

Minutes from the Regular Meeting on October 11 were approved with the following corrections:

Pg-2: par 3 of Water/Sewer-change 'was doable' to 'could be done'

Pg-2: Maintenance-change 'disagree' to 'have differing opinions'

Pg-4: line 2-change 'to guarantee maintenance of the new levee' to 'by FEMA as part of our Levee Operations and Maintenance'

## DISCUSSION/CONSIDERTION/ACTION

A resident complaint was submitted to the office about Todd Anderson's property at 104 Washington. At the August 16<sup>th</sup> meeting, Mr. Anderson told the board the foundation would be in and house put down by October. The board told Clerk's Assistant Johnson to contact the building inspector, Mark Ekberg, to take a look and find out what the problem is and provide a report to the Village Board.

Benke introduced Resolution No. 10-25-11-01 to extend the contract with Nebraska Sweeping Inc for street cleaning services. Motion by Benke, second by Harrie to table the resolution until Nebraska Sweeping Inc provides a cleaning schedule so the Village can inform the residents. All in favor, motion carried.

Fire Chief Jim Cooke presented a request to approve Kayla Stewart as a new Fire Department member. Cooke informed the board that Stewart would bring the member count to 32 and they already have bunker gear for her. He went on to say that Stewart has been an asset to the Fire Department and would be in training to become an EMT. Motion by Benke, second by Lee to approve Kayla Stewart as a new Fire Department member. All in favor, motion carried.

The Village received a donation request for a Benefit Dinner to be held on behalf of Lindsey Ptacek to raise money after she was involved in a car accident. Trustee Lee pointed out how valuable Ptacek was on the library board. Chairman Benke recommended talking to the attorney before using tax-payer dollars for a donation but suggested the Village Employees could collaborate and make a group donation with their personal money.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Village received a complaint letter about maintenance of the park. Trustee Lee said Jamie has been working on digging the sandburs out and has contacted lawn companies for information on spraying.

#### **CHAIRMAN'S TOPICS**

Chairman Benke read a letter he received from Julie Jorgensen, Assistant Librarian, questioning why she didn't receive the raise she requested. Benke will respond to the letter regarding input from the other trustees.

## LEVEE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Motion by Benke, second by Lee to approve Pay Application #11 in the amount of \$56,454.79 with a 50% cost share with the NRD. Upon roll call vote, voting YES: Lee, Benke, Harrie. Voting NO: none, motion carried.

Motion by Harrie, second by Benke to approve Change Order #12 in the amount of \$42,900.00. Upon roll call vote, voting YES: Harrie, Lee, Benke. Voting NO: none, motion carried.

Motion by Benke, second by Harrie to approve Pay Application #12 in the amount of \$38,610.00 with a 50% cost share with the NRD. Upon roll call vote, voting YES: Lee, Harrie, Benke. Voting NO: none, motion carried.

Motion by Lee, second by Harrie to approve Change Order #13 in the amount of \$23,350.66. Upon roll call vote, voting YES: Rotert, Lee, Harrie, Benke. Voting NO: none, motion carried.

Motion by Benke, second by Rotert to approve Pay Application #13 in the amount of \$122,217.40 with a 5% retainage in the amount of \$101,201.80 until the Village receives written final approval from the Army Corps of Engineers with a 50% cost share with the NRD. Upon roll call vote, voting YES: Harrie, Lee, Benke, Rotert. Voting NO: none, motion carried.

Motion by Benke, second by Harrie to withhold acceptance of project until written final approval from the Army Corps of Engineers. Upon roll call vote, voting YES: Lee, Rotert, Benke, Harrie. Voting NO: none, motion carried

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:13 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for November 8, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Stanley E. Benke Jr., Chairman

Melissa Johnson, Clerk's Assistant