

**VILLAGE OF WATERLOO
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 28, 2012**

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Waterloo met for a Regular Meeting on February 28, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Office, 509 S. Front Street.

PRESENT: Stanley E. Benke, Jr., Chairman
Garry Lee, Vice-Chairman
Tom Harrie, Trustee
Bill Rotert, Trustee

ABSENT: Jeff Barnes, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT: Melissa Johnson, Clerk's Assistant
Ken Bunger, Attorney

OPEN MEETING

Chairman Benke called the meeting to order at 7:12pm 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 Meetings on January 24 and February 14 were approved as presented.

HEARING

Motion by Benke, seconded by Rotert to close the Regular Session and Open as the Board of Adjustments. All in favor motion carried.

Scott Brown presented an application to the Board to change the zoning of a property located on the southeast corner of the Blondo St and River Road Drive intersection. The current owners would like to sell the property but only a small portion of the parcel is buildable. The current zoning on the property is AG-Agricultural and it limits the buildable area even further. Brown applied to change the zoning to Commercial to increase the buildable area which would assist in selling the property.

The Board was concerned with what type of business would be placed on the property. They were also concerned with placement of the entrance to the property and the placement of a building close to the Levee. Lalit Jha was present and informed the board that they have an obligation to get approval from the Corps of Engineers for anything built within 300 feet of the Levee.

Brown stated that he would consult with the NRD and the Corps of any problems they may have with a zoning change and building in that location and will return to the Board.

Motion by Benke, seconded by Rotert to close the Public Hearing and return to the Regular Session at 7:30pm. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Benke, seconded by Rotert to table the Application for Change in Zoning until more information is provided. All in favor, motion carried.

DISCUSSION/CONSIDERTION/ACTION

Motion by Rotert, second by Harrie to table appointment of Planning Board Members until the March 13 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

John Peterson with JEO Consulting presented options to the Board for the Elkhorn River Bank Stabilization Project. JEO has provided the NRD with the plans and are waiting to hear their comments.

Lalit Jha with JEO Consulting asked the Board if they had any questions on the Emergency Action Plan for the Levee. Lee asked what the new flood stage is. Jha will look into and let him know.

Benke introduced, read and moved for approval of Resolution No. 02-28-12-01, a resolution adopting the Operation and Maintenance Manual for the Elkhorn River Basin Flood Protection Project. Trustee Rotert seconded the motion. Upon roll call voting, voting YES: Lee, Rotert, Harrie and Benke. Voting NO: none, motion carried.

Motion by Benke, seconded by Harrie to pay JEO invoice #67572 in the amount of \$13,560.00 for the Levee Recertification Project with a 50% cost share with Papio-Missouri NRD. Upon roll call voting, voting YES: Harrie, Lee, Benke, Rotert. Voting NO: none, motion carried.

Motion by Benke, seconded by Harrie to pay JEO invoice #67580 in the amount of \$10,333.75 for the Elkhorn River Bank Stabilization with a 50% cost share with Papio-Missouri NRD. Upon roll call voting, voting YES: Benke, Harrie, Rotert, Lee. Voting NO: none, motion carried.

Steve Schmidt approached the board about closing a section of the alley between 2nd and 3rd Streets between Washington and North Front to install a loading dock at one of the warehouses. When Schmidt is ready he will submit an official application to the Board.

Johnson requested permission to purchase an item up to \$50 to donate to the Nebraska Municipal Clerk's Institute silent auction. All money made at the auction goes toward the NMCI scholarship fund. Motion by Rotert, seconded by Harrie to approve a purchase up to \$50 to donate to the silent auction. All in favor, motion carried.

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ATTORNEY TOPICS

Motion by Lee, seconded by Harrie to pay the invoice # WAT-Levee from April 2011-current for a total of \$3,809.50. Upon roll call voting, voting YES: Benke, Rotert, Lee, Harrie. Voting NO: none, motion carried.

TRUSTEE TOPICS

Rotert asked Johnson if anyone has heard from OPPD regarding the street lights on South Front St. Johnson will email Bert to find out the status.

Rotert informed the Board that the new bobcat will be delivered tomorrow and he and Jamie are looking into equipment to help with weed spraying.

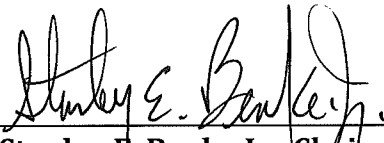
Harrie discussed some of the sessions he attended at the League of Municipalities Mid-Winter Conference.

CHAIRMAN TOPICS


Benke introduced, read and moved for approval of Resolution No. 02-28-12-02, a resolution certifying the petition signatures and submitting the question of "Shall the Village of Waterloo, Nebraska having a population in excess of 800 inhabitants, retain its Village form of government" to be included on the ballot for the next regularly scheduled election. Trustee Rotert seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:49 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for March 13, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.



Stanley E. Benke Jr., Chairman



Melissa Johnson, Clerk's Assistant