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**VILLAGE OF WATERLOO  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
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The Board of Trustees of the Village of Waterloo met for a Regular Meeting on July 24, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Office, 509 S. Front Street.

**PRESENT:** Garry Lee, Vice-Chairperson  
Tom Harrie, Trustee  
Bill Rotert, Trustee  
Jeff Barnes, Trustee

**ABSENT:** Stanley E. Benke, Jr., Chairperson

**ALSO PRESENT:** Melissa Johnson, Clerk's Assistant

**OPEN MEETING**

Vice-Chairperson Lee called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and stated the location of the Open Meetings Act. Notice of the meeting was duly exercised and mailed per the bylaws.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Don Shelton, a resident on Ave A and Lincoln Ave, asked the Board why the standard operating procedure of the Police Department was to only respond to calls that have been dispatched by 911. Shelton believes the police should be utilized instead of patronizing local restaurants and sitting in the office. Lee asked Shelton if he could provide a positive solution to this problem. Shelton recommended that the Waterloo Police be more responsive to residents.

**MOTIONS TO APPROVE**

Minutes from the Regular Meeting on July 10, 2012 were approved with the following corrections:

- Page 3: "put speed bumps" was changed to "pull speed bumps"

**DISCUSSION/CONSIDERTION/ACTION**

John Petersen and Lalit Jha from JEO Consulting providing an update on the Elkhorn River Bank Stabilization Project. Petersen informed the board that only minor changes have been made since the preliminary plans. JEO has sent notices to the applicable agencies and do not anticipate any major conflicts. The next step is to get the permitting approvals, put the project out for bid and begin construction. Jha suggested that the board approve the plans at the August 28 meeting and publish the bid for a bid letting in September. Lee would like the work to be done this year while the river is low.

Street Superintendent, Julie Ogden from JEO Consulting, was present to discuss street repairs needed within the Village. Ogden provided a copy of a list she prepared in April 2011. She suggested Maintenance supervisor Bednar and herself go around town and

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prioritize the necessary repairs and come up with estimates for each repair. Ogden will attend the August 14 meeting to share the information.

The Board reviewed the Levee Inspection report completed by the Corps of Engineers. The maintenance department is working on corrected some of the areas that were mentioned in the report.

Motion by Barnes, second by Lee to appoint Garry Lee Chairperson pro tempore. All in favor. Lee introduced, read and moved for approval of Resolution No. 07-24-12-01, a resolution to appoint a chairperson pro tempore. Trustee Rotert seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, voting YES: Lee, Harrie, Barnes, Rotert. Voting NO: none, motion carried. A true, complete and correct copy of said resolution is on file at the Village Office.

Lee introduced and read Resolution No. 07-24-12-02, a resolution approving plans submitted by First State Bank regarding the Homes at River Road retention pond. Motion by Rotert, seconded by Harrie to approve, contingent on approval of Attorney Bunger and the US Corps of Engineers. Upon roll call vote, voting YES: Barnes, Lee, Harrie, Rotert. Voting NO: none, motion carried. A true, complete and correct copy of said resolution is on file at the Village office.

Lee introduced, read and moved for approval of Resolution No. 07-24-12-03, a resolution to approve Harvest Day parade route street closure. Trustee Barnes seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, voting YES: Rotert, Harrie, Lee, Barnes. Voting NO: none, motion carried. A true, complete and correct copy of said resolution is on file at the Village Office.

Harrie introduced, read and moved for approval of Resolution No. 07-24-12-04, a resolution to approve Marlo Scott as a Library Board Member. Trustee Barnes seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, voting YES: Harrie, Rotert, Lee, Barnes. Voting NO: none, motion carried. A true, complete and correct copy of said resolution is on file at the Village Office.

Harrie introduced, read and moved for approval of Resolution No. 07-24-12-05, a resolution to approve Heidi Melcher as a Library Board Member. Trustee Barnes seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, voting YES: Barnes, Harrie, Lee, Rotert. Voting NO: none, motion carried. A true, complete and correct copy of said resolution is on file at the Village Office.

Lee introduced and read Resolution No. 07-24-12-06, a resolution to purchase right of way signs for the levee. Trustee Barnes would also like to see signs for warning utility companies not to alter the levee and asked Bednar to get prices once the sign wording is worked out. Motion by Rotert, seconded by Barnes to approve. Upon roll call vote, voting YES: Lee, Harrie, Barnes, Rotert. Voting NO: none, motion carried. A true, complete and correct copy of said resolution is on file at the Village office.

Motion by Rotert, second by Barnes to table Resolution No. 07-24-12-07, a resolution to designate handicap parking on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, until the next meeting when Julie Ogden can look

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at the area and make recommendations based on ADA requirements. Upon roll call vote, voting YES: Barnes, Harrie, Rotert, Lee. Voting NO: none, motion carried.

Lee introduced and read for the second time **Ordinance No. 723-AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF WATERLOO, NEBRASKA, AMENDING SECTIONS 2-101 AND 2-112 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE IN REGARD TO THE PUBLIC LIBRARY; REPEALING ORIGINAL SECTION 2-101; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Lee summarized an invitation from Orchard Gardens to their 8<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.

**CHAIRMAN'S TOPICS**

Lee is concerned about the water main breaks in Omaha and the level of the Platte River and their effect on the Village of Waterloo water service. He suggested the Board talk to Mike Goddard about the possibility of reopening the Ave A well in an emergency situation at the next meeting. Barnes stated the well is still being tested and believes a separator plate would need to be removed to begin using it again.

**TRUSTEE TOPICS**


Rotert presented quotes for equipment to be used to maintain the levee. Barnes suggested the Village purchase a tractor, not a mower, to have more versatility. Barnes will talk to vendor and report back to the Board at the next meeting. Lee stating that it's important for the Village employees to maintain the levee opposed to hiring a contractor because the Board believes employees will be more vigilant and look for potential problems.

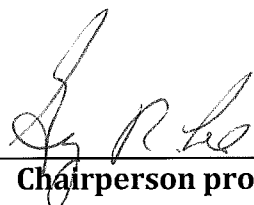
Harrie informed the Board of an idea he and Chairperson Benke discussed to present Linda Oyster a \$1000 check at her retirement. Motion by Lee, seconded by Barnes to give Linda a \$1000 upon retirement out of the funds set aside to reward employee service. Upon roll call vote, voting YES: Lee, Rotert, Harrie, Barnes. Voting NO: none, motion carried.

Motion by Lee, second by Harrie to go into Executive Session at 8:32 pm to discuss personnel issues and distribution of employee incentives. Upon roll call vote, voting YES: Harrie, Lee, Rotert, Barnes. Voting NO: none, motion carried. Chairperson pro tempore Lee restated that they were going into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues and distribution of employee incentives. Motion by Harrie, second by Barnes to go out of Executive Session at 8:53pm. All in favor, motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:56pm. The next regular meeting is scheduled for August 14, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

  
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Melissa Johnson, Clerk's Assistant

  
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Chairperson pro tempore