

Village of Bennet, Nebraska
Board of Trustees Minutes; May 30, 2019

The Bennet Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Village of Bennet, Nebraska (the "Village") held a special session on Thursday, May 30th, 2019 at 6:00 p.m., at the regular meeting place of the Board, the Village Hall, 685 Monroe Street in the Village, the same being open to the public and preceded by advance publicized notice duly given in strict compliance with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 84, Article 14, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, as amended, and having set forth (a) the time, date and place of the meeting; (b) that the meeting would be open to the attendance of the public; and (c) that the agenda for the meeting, kept continuously current, was available to public inspection at the office of the Village Clerk.

Chairman Justin Dorn called the session to order at 6:03 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act posted near the entrance of the room for access by the public. Village Clerk Patricia Rule conducted roll call and recorded the minutes. Trustees in attendance were Ryan Cheney, Don Murray, Jerris Nider and Justin Dorn. Brad Ruzicka was absent. A quorum being present and the meeting duly commenced, the following proceedings were taken while the session remained open to attendance by the public.

Minutes for the May 13th regular business meeting were distributed. Motion by Cheney, second by Nider to approve the minutes. Roll call vote; Dorn, Cheney, Nider, Murray voted YES. Motion carried.

A memo from the Village Attorney regarding the question of municipal bidding requirements was considered. Discussion concerned Neb. Rev. Stat. §17-568.01 and the requirement for advertising bids for a prefabricated bridge for installation as part of the Whispering Pines park improvement project. Emily Bausch of Olsson addressed the Board concerning the timeline for completion of the project, delays due to weather, and the pros and cons of purchasing the bridge separately from the trail project package. Trustees agreed the best option was to bid the entire package.

Also discussed was the need to request an extension for grant funds from the Nemaha Natural Resource District. Clerk Patricia Rule and MS. Bausch agreed to attend the NNRD meeting on June 13th to represent the Villages request for an extension.

Trustees agreed to proceed with approving the final design on June 10th, bid advertisement immediately following and bid opening prior to the July meeting. Contracts and *Notice to Proceed* would be finalized in August. Construction in the fall and grand opening in the spring of 2020.

No further business.

Motion by Dorn, second by Murray to adjourn at 6:34 p.m. Roll call vote; Dorn, Cheney, Nider, Murray voted YES. Motion carried.

Recorded by:

Bennet Village Clerk