

MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF CALLAWAY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

February 14th, 2023

The Village of Board of Trustees of the Village of Callaway, Nebraska met in regular session at the Village Building Board Room on February 14th, 2023. Chairman Kimball opened meeting at 7:00 PM. Present at meeting: Lawrence Paulsen, Ken Pitkin, Dan Lewandowski, Abe Hinman and Mark Kimball.

Open Meeting Act compliance was verified. Notice of this meeting was posted as required by law and the agenda was communicated in advance. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

Motion was made by for the approval of the January 10<sup>th</sup> minutes by Hinman and seconded by Lewandowski. Aye: All. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The Treasurer’s financial reports were approved on a motion by Pitkin, seconded by Lewandowski. Aye: All. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Claims were reviewed by Kimball and Paulsen made the motion to accept the claims as presented, seconded by Hinman. Aye: All. Nay: None. Motion carried.

<b>January 2023 Claims</b>		<b>AMOUNT</b>
Amber Harrison	phone stipend and mileage	\$53.13
Border States	Operating supplies	\$152.31
Callaway Chamber	membership	\$50.00
Country Partners	fuel and repairs	\$4,859.71
Dakota Erstrom	Refund of deposit	\$25.32
Eakes	office supplies	\$49.94
First Interstate Bank Mastercard	phone, supplies, postage	\$997.23
Franklin Templeton	retirement	\$838.99
Great Plains Comm	repairs	\$1,810.10
Hometown Leasing	Operating supplies	\$113.83
Joyce Brestel	Refund of CCC Deposit	\$75.00
LASWA	dumping fees	\$1,108.45
Lori Bonde	Phone stipend	\$25.00
Mary Ann Cool	Refund of CCC Deposit	\$50.00
MEAN	energy	\$41,496.68
Myers Iron	Dumping fees	\$713.12
Ne Child support	child support	\$250.00
NE dept of Revenue	sales tax	\$4,477.77
NE dept of Revenue	Income tax withholding	\$651.54
NE Rural Water Assoc	education	\$790.00
Nebraska Dept of Envir. Quality	water license	\$115.00
One Call Concepts	locating fee	\$1.98
Payroll	employee wages	\$16,955.76
Principal	Insurance	\$375.99
Rod Brestel	fuel	\$87.00
Syndicate Publishing	publishing	\$136.66
True Value	operating expense	\$343.38
United Healthcare	Healthcare Insurance	\$4,231.58
United States Treasury	Fed Unemployment	\$4,537.50
United States Treasury	941 Fed Tax	\$4,248.28
United States Treasury	940 Unemployment	\$33.58
WAPA	energy	\$8,916.86
Weathercraft of NP	repairs	\$15.00
		<b>\$98,381.25</b>

Rich Rundlett was present to discuss the possibility of purchasing the lots North of the Community Center where the village places the snow to build a storefront and shop. Research will be done and this will be a future topic.

Carla Kimball was present to discuss the CCCFF grant. Motion was made by Paulsen and seconded by Hinman to match the cost share of the CCCFF Grant of \$562,000.00. Aye: All. Nay: none. Motion passed. Kimball signed the Cost share documentation to send with the grand. The project address for the new pool will be 201 N Davidson. The board approves CNED to do the administration for the Amplifund if the CCCFF Grant is approved. The contract will depend on the grant being awarded. The max for the fee is expected to be \$3,500.00.

Jonathan Schmidt was present to discuss fireworks stand. He has received the license from the state for the location of 407 N Grand and additional locations can be added. There is no permit required by the village. There are no issues with the board and refers to the state statute for fireworks.

The Callaway Community Foundation was present to discuss the use of the 2 ball fields for a fund raiser for the pool in July of 2023. Permission to use the ball fields for this event was approved by the board. More details to follow. It was also discussed that the Callaway Community Foundation will apply to the state for \$25,000 for tax credit for donations over a certain threshold for their 2023 taxes.

Rod Brestel gave an update and discussed having the monthly generation payment transferred to the sinking fund for the generator. These funds will be earmarked to purchase a generator in the future.

Discussion was had in regards to the Green Energy Program (Ordinance #23-2-14)

Motion was made by Pitkin and seconded by Lewandowski to enroll in the Green Energy Program and approve ordinance #23-2-14. Aye: all, Nay: none. Motion passed.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 23-2-14

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING EXECUTION OF THE GREEN ENERGY PROGRAM SUBSCRIPTION CONFIRMATION BY THE VILLAGE OF CALLAWAY, NEBRASKA, WITH THE MUNICIPAL ENERGY AGENCY OF NEBRASKA; TO PRESCRIBE THE TIME WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHAIRPERSON AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF CALLAWAY, NEBRASKA:

Section 1. The CALLAWAY VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES hereby finds and declares it to be in the public interest and in the interest of the customers of the VILLAGE OF CALLAWAY electric utility that the Village adopt and execute the Green Energy Program Subscription Confirmation with the Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska.

Section 2. It is hereby ordered and directed that the Village of CALLAWAY, NEBRASKA, acting through its Chairperson and Board of Trustees, execute the Green Energy Program Subscription Confirmation, a copy of the Subscription Confirmation being attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Section 3. The Village of CALLAWAY, NEBRASKA, does hereby adopt and approve each of the objectives, terms and conditions set forth in the Green Energy Program Subscription Confirmation.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and take effect after its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Passed and approved on the 14 day of FEBRUARY, 2023.

Motion was made by Paulsen and seconded by Lewandowski to waive the 3 readings of Ordinance #23-2-14. Aye: all. Nay: none. Motion passed.

Rod gave updates in regards to the light plant, well efficiency testing and discussed the financial analysis prepared by MEAN for the electric department and will have the other entities ready to present in March. Rod will talk to Andrew Ross to schedule the presentation.

Update was given by Lori Bonde. Motion was made by Hinman and seconded by Lewandowski to update the signatures for the amendment to the Securities Custodial Agreement for Additional Secured Party Authorized Agents with First Interstate Bank to authorize Representatives of Paulsen, Bonde and Kimball. Aye; all. Nay: none. Motion passed. Next discussion was in regards to opening a new Money Market account with First Interstate Bank when the Pool Bond funds are released. Rates will be checked with other banks. Motion was made by Paulsen and seconded by Hinman to authorize the opening of a Money Market account with First Interstate Bank upon the receipt of the Pool Bond Funds. Aye: all. Nay; none. Motion passed. Discussion was had in regards to pool staff. The village will accept applications for pool manager and lifeguards. Union Bank and Trust will be handling the bond payments to the investors.

Amber Harrison advised that the new website ([villageofcallawayne.gov](http://villageofcallawayne.gov)) is now live. She gave updates in regards to the RWHF Land Development Grant, Daycare Solutions meeting scheduled for February 20<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm at the hospital conference room, Rural Historical Preservation Grant for the log cabin and Episcopal church and she will be hosting a meeting for the Nebraska Affordable Housing Trust fund February 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at the Village Board room. She has several grant applications still in progress.

Discussion was had in regards to the quote for the repairs of the gazebo. The board is aware that the gazebo is in need of repairs.

Dana Cole is finishing up the audit and will present at the March meeting.

Next monthly Village Board meeting is scheduled for March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in Village Board Room. Claims to be reviewed by Paulsen.

With no further business, the motion was made by Paulsen to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m. and seconded by Lewandowski. Aye: all. Nay: none. Motion passed.

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Mark Kimball, Chairman

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Lori Bonde, Village Clerk