

VILLAGE OF DENTON, NEBRASKA

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

December 1, 2025 – Denton Community Center

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Denton, Nebraska, was held at the Denton Community Center on December 1, 2025. The meeting was called to order at **6:31 p.m.** All proceedings were conducted in open session and were open to attendance by the public.

Board Members Present: Doug Rosekrans, Amanda Fangmeier, Joe Hobelman, Trent Wheatley, and Ryan Osborn. Chair Hobelman stated that the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall and available for public inspection. Notice of this meeting was publicly posted prior to the meeting at the Denton Daily Double, the Denton Post Office, and the Denton Community Center, as required by law.

1. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Fangmeier, seconded by Rosekrans, to approve the November 3, 2025, meeting minutes with the following corrections:

- “Fangmeier stated that the open meeting laws are posted...”
- Item 13 Snow Removal Policy: Blackledge explained his proposed policy. The motion shall read “motion failed.”

Motion carried.

2. Reorganizational Meeting

a. Appointments

Motion by Rosekrans, seconded by Fangmeier, to appoint the following for 2026:

- Clerk/Treasurer/Zoning Administrator: Charlotte TeBrink
- Attorney: Bromm, Lindahl, Freeman-Caddy & Lausterer
- Street Engineer: Brian Friedrichsen, Olsson
- Water/Sewer Operator: Ross Blackledge
- Emergency Management Coordinator: Amanda Fangmeier
- Floodplain Administrator: Joe Hobelman

Motion carried.

b. Posting of Public Notices

Motion by Wheatley, seconded by Rosekrans, to designate the following locations for posting public notices:

1. *Denton Daily Double*
2. *Denton Community Center*
3. *Denton Post Office*

Motion carried.

c. Depository Bank

Motion by Fangmeier, seconded by Rosekrans, to appoint Pinnacle Bank as the Village's depository bank for FY 25-26. Motion carried.

3. Reports

Treasurer's Report:

General \$9,053.40; Water \$26,468.68; Sewer \$5,490.54; Streets \$46,034.91;
Community Center \$317.12; Keno Checking \$155,648.47

Keno Report – October 2025:

Gross Proceeds \$425,597.25; Payout 79.46%; Unclaimed Wins \$229.69; Village Share \$31,053.61; Operator Share \$56,359.76

Maintenance Report: Striping is completed. Staff is continuing to work with WRT to return the treatment plant to normal operation.

4. Public Comment. Members of the public wishing to present to the Village Board on any matter of public interest will be invited to do so during this segment of the meeting. Each presenter will be limited to a maximum of three minutes of speaking time. Gail Braunsroth announced the information for the Holiday Party on December 13th. Ross is working on getting parts for the women's handicap stall.

Lona Andersen asked if the Village had received responses from SW Rural Fire or the Lancaster County Sheriff's Department. Traffic study follow-up will be requested.

Quinten Penner (Penner Sprinkler & Lawn) offered snow removal and lawn services at a discounted rate and suggested improvements to the ballfield.

5. Business

a. Olsson Agreements

Motion by Fangmeier, seconded by Rosekrans, to approve and authorize the Chair to sign Master Agreement Work Orders No. 11 and No. 12 with Olsson for Street Superintendent and Engineering services. Motion carried.

b. Retainer Agreement – Village Attorney

Motion by Fangmeier, seconded by Wheatley, to table discussion until the next meeting. Motion carried.

c. Maintenance Purchase Requests

Discussion held regarding the purchase of:

- Sewer Inspection Camera
- Spreader Sprayer Unit
- Wind-powered lagoon circulators

Motion by Rosekrans, seconded by Fangmeier, to purchase a sewer inspection camera for \$9,330; a spreader sprayer unit for \$3,500; and two wind-powered lagoon circulators at \$4,850 each. Motion carried.

d. Planning Commission Appointment

Motion by Hobelman, seconded by Fangmeier, to appoint Levi Sullivan as an alternate to the Denton Planning Commission. Motion carried.

e. Community Center Rate Increase

Motion by Fangmeier, seconded by Rosekrans, to approve an increase in Community Center rental rates effective January 1, 2026, with non-resident rental rates increasing by \$100 and wedding rental rates increasing by \$200. Motion carried.

f. Miller & Associates Agreement – Sewer Improvement Project

Motion by Fangmeier, seconded by Wheatley, to table the discussion until the next meeting. Motion carried.

g. Sanitary Sewer and Public Water Complaint

Hobelman reported on an anonymous NEDWEE complaint. Moving forward, individuals entering the treatment plant must either hold an operator's license or be a Village maintenance employee. Maintenance employees without a license may record readings but are not authorized to alter water quality, quantity, or processes.

h. Snow Removal Policy

Discussion regarding the policy previously submitted on November 3, 2025.

Motion by Rosekrans, seconded by Fangmeier, to approve the Snow Removal Policy as presented. Motion carried.

Minimum Standards for Snow and Ice Response

Area/Condition	Standard
Sidewalks	As needed, within 24 hrs
Arterials/Business District	>2", within 12 hrs
Transit/School Routes	>3", within 16 hrs
Residential/Other	>3", within 24 hrs
Ice Formation	As needed, within 48 hrs
Blowing/Drifting/Additional Accumulation	As needed, within 48 hrs

Standards will be enforced by the Village Maintenance Supervisor and Village Board Chair.

i. Education and Classes Policy. *Motion by Fangmeier, seconded by Wheatley, to adopt a new policy stating that all employees and trustees must obtain Board pre-authorization at a regular Board meeting before attending any education classes, trainings, or conferences at Village expense. Motion carried.*

j. Dangerous Building Complaints

Trustee Fangmeier reported citizen concerns regarding properties in the one-mile jurisdiction. Clerk to contact the Health Department about properties in concern; Fangmeier will provide property addresses to the clerk.

k. Board Trustee Conduct Discussion. Fangmeier read a statement about her concerns with board conduct.

l. Payroll Adjustment

The clerk explained that she will be on vacation December 22 when the payroll is run so she is requested to run the payroll early. *Motion by Fangmeier, seconded by Rosekrans, to authorize payroll for December 22 to be processed on December 18 due to Treasurer vacation. Motion carried.*

6. Claims

Motion by Wheatley, seconded by Fangmeier, to approve Claims List A in the amount of \$37,605.85; Claims List B in the amount of \$4,518.35; and November net payroll of \$9,726.30. Motion carried.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

I, the undersigned Village Clerk of the Village of Denton, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the Board of Trustees meeting held on December 1, 2025, and that all subjects included were contained in the agenda and publicly available as required under Nebraska law.

Charlotte TeBrink, Village Clerk
Village of Denton, Nebraska