

Village of Brownville Town Board Meeting

January 9, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Vice Chairman Terry Vice pointed out the posting of the Open Meetings Act.

Board members present: Terry Vice, Natisha Helmick, Bailey Bindle, Josh Russell. Also present, Kristy Mertes, clerk. Marty Hayes was absent.

Motion by Vice, seconded by Russell to approve the agenda. All yes votes. Motion carried.

Motion by Vice seconded by Helmick to approve the December 12 regular meeting minutes. All yes votes. Motion carried.

The clerk administered the Oath of Office for Josh Russell.

The financial report was reviewed. Helmick moved the financial report to be accepted as handed out. Bindle seconded. All yes votes. Motion carried.

The claims were reviewed. Helmick moved the claims to be paid as presented. Russell seconded. All yes votes. Motion carried. Claims submitted by board member Hayes were reviewed. Helmick moved to approve Hayes claims. Russell seconded. All yes votes. Motion carried. Claims submitted by Helmick were reviewed. Russell moved to approve Helmick's claims. Bindle seconded. All yes votes with Helmick abstaining. Motion carried.

Projects, Buildings, and Equipment:

Water/Sewer Report: Helmick reported light at the well house is not functioning. Quinton asked if both lights could be replaced. Russell said he will look into it.

Helmick reported that two locks are needed for the well house. Approval to buy two locks.

Helmick reported that the Village needs to purchase some water equipment. (wrenches, shut off pipes). Marty spoke with Davis about equipment that the Village will need.

Rural Water Agreement will be ready to review next month.

The water regulation notices will be available at next month's meeting.

Street Report: Helmick moved to approve the contract with JEO for 7th Street Culvert. Russell seconded. All yes votes. Motion carried.

Old Business:

The mower for the village has been tabled until next month.

The Resolution of Agenda Rules was tabled until next month.

New Business:

Deborah Solie, Disaster Recovery Coordinator for the Northeast Nemaha County LTRG, presented about the formation of Nemaha County COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disaster). The COAD will support local emergency management, response, and resiliency. The Board indicated their

support for the initiative and asked for a community member to volunteer and serve on the COAD representing Brownville.

Contracts were renewed for Helmick, Hayes, and Vice. Motion by Helmick to approve contracts. Seconded by Russell. All yes votes. Motion carried.

Purchase of Christmas Light for the Historical Lamps outside the Town Hall was discussed and tabled.

Helmick motioned to approve of CPA Engagement letter. Bindle seconded. All yes votes. Motion carried.

Steve Woerth presented on the Creative District Report. They received a \$250,000 grant. Steve discussed the various projects they have used the money for and new projects to be done soon.

Helmick presented a Spring Flower Planting Project thru 4-H. It was tabled until next month.

Helmick discussed Approval of Hook Up of HOA monitor. She said Greg Brekel will be here Wednesday the 11th to look at the system. Hoping there is a grant available for this.

Adjournment:

Vice moved to adjourn at 7:59. Helmick seconded. All yes votes. Motion carried.

Kristy Mertes, Clerk