

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees of Coleridge, Nebraska was held at the Coleridge Community Building in said Village beginning at 6:30 p.m., Monday, June 10, 2024. Present were Trustees George R Hefner, Jeremy Bruning, Leroy Cautrell, Chad Frerichs and Brenda Lage. Others present were Aric Hall, Dennis Heitman and Sharon Anderson.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Laurel Advocate on June 5, 2024. Notice of the meeting was simultaneously given to all trustees and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice is in permanent record. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance notice, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Village Clerk and a copy was given to each member of the Board prior to the meeting. All proceedings thereafter were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

Chairman Hefner called the meeting to order; he stated a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of the copy posted in the meeting room.

The Chairman requested amending the agenda to include sale of excess property. Bruning made a motion to approve the amended agenda, seconded by Lage. Hearing no objections, The Chairman declared the agenda approved as amended.

Public Comment: Aric Hall, a member of Boy Scout Troop 208, asked about doing work in the park for his Eagle Scout project. There is work to be done on the WW1 Monument base and greenery, and there will be landscaping and seeding to be done after the Coleridge Area Fund (CAF) park project is completed. Aric said the Troop is interested in doing the work, pending approval from the Eagle Scout Committee. The Board is in favor of the project and will place it on the July 8, 2024 meeting agenda to formally approve.

The Board discussed consent agenda items as follows; previous month regular meeting minutes, financial reports, claims, and agency reports. Motion by Bruning seconded by Lage to approve. By roll call vote: Cautrell, Aye; Frerichs, Aye; Bruning, Aye; Lage, Aye; Hefner, Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

On May 14, 2024, Bodie Dostal, President of Dostals Construction Company Inc., met at the park with members of the CAF and Village of Coleridge to do a walk-through and discuss the scope of work to be done for the Park Project. Installation is set to begin in June. In addition to the new equipment, the Board, by consensus, wants to update sidewalks and lighting, install handicap parking pads, and do maintenance on the WW1 monument. The Board drew up guidelines for the improvements, set expectations and named Trustee Bruning to act as liaison for the Village, to work with Dostals Construction, BCI Burke and the CAF.

Motion by Bruning seconded by Frerichs to approve a Security Bank security agreement for the Rural Fire District and the Village of Coleridge for the new Grass Rigs. By roll call vote: Lage, Aye; Cautrell, Aye; Frerichs, Aye; Bruning, Aye; Hefner, Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Frerichs seconded by Bruning to approve purchase of a portable suction machine for the Coleridge Ambulance Service. By roll call vote: Frerichs, Aye; Lage, Aye; Cautrell, Aye; Bruning, Aye; Hefner, Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

The EMT's approved a revised Constitution and Bylaws at their May 29, 2024 monthly meeting. They presented it to the Board for approval. Motion by Frerichs seconded by Lage to approve the Constitution and Bylaws as presented. By roll call vote: Bruning, Aye; Lage, Aye; Cautrell, Aye; Frerichs, Aye; Hefner, Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Bruning seconded by Lage to approve Valerie Sovereign as a member of the Coleridge Volunteer Fire Department. By roll call vote: Frerichs, Aye; Bruning, Aye; Lage, Aye; Cautrell, Aye; Hefner, Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Trustee Frerichs introduced Resolution 24-02, Sale of Excess Property, a 1998 Ford Club Wagon Super E350, and moved for its passage, seconded by Trustee Bruning. By roll call vote: Cautrell, Aye; Frerichs, Aye; Lage, Aye; Bruning, Aye; Hefner, Aye. Resolution carried 5-0. Resolution 24-02 passed 5-0.

CDS Inspections & Beyond, Randy Alexander, provided the Asbestos Inspection Report for the commercial building located at 105 East Broadway. The report was reviewed and the Village will proceed with the process of demolition as discussed.

Updates or other business matters with no formal action taken; Village Attorney, Bruce Curtiss submitted a copy of an email sent to the owner of Lot 2, Corona Second Addition, addressing the lack of progress on the construction agreement; Wastewater Facility Plan Report prepared by JEO Professional Engineers (PE), Roger Protzman and Samantha Handrock was received and reviewed; A list of the needed street repairs was compiled and companies will be contacted for estimates; Police Chief and Utility Superintendent positions are still open; Code Enforcement; Dilapidated housing; Downtown upkeep.

Reaching the end of the agenda Chairman Hefner asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. Hearing none, the meeting adjourned at 8.39 p.m.

ATTEST: Sharon Anderson Seal
Sharon Anderson CMC, Village Clerk

APPROVED: George R. Hefner
George R. Hefner, Village Board Chairman

