

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 7:00 p.m., Monday, July 11, 2022. Present were Trustees Roger Anderson, Jeremy Bruning and Leroy Cautrell. Absent: Trustees Kelly Hammer and George R. Hefner. Others present, Seth Malcom, Mandy Bruning and Sharon Anderson.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Laurel Advocate on July 6, 2022. 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 the 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.

Vice Chairman Roger Anderson called the meeting to order; he stated to all in attendance that 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.

Bruning seconded by Cautrell made a motion to approve the agenda. By roll call vote: Bruning, Aye; Cautrell, Aye; Anderson, Aye; Hammer, absent; Hefner, absent. Motion carried 3-0.

There were no comments by the public.

The Board discussed consent agenda items; previous month regular meeting minutes, financial reports, claims and agency reports. Motion by Bruning seconded by Cautrell to approve. By roll call vote: Bruning, Aye; Anderson, Aye; Cautrell, Aye; Hammer, absent; Hefner, absent. Motion carried 3-0.

Seth Malcom reported the water system fluoride pump was repaired; parts for the sewer plant defibrillator are here.

The 2022-2023 fiscal year budget was discussed. Motion by Cautrell to approve Dana F. Cole & Company to prepare the budget, seconded by Bruning. By roll call vote: Anderson, Aye; Cautrell, Aye; Bruning, Aye; Hammer, absent; Hefner, absent. Motion carried 3-0.

Trustee Hefner arrived at 7:45 pm.

An estimate from Grizz Tree Service for removal of pine trees in the Village Park was received. Motion by Anderson seconded by Cautrell to approve. By roll call vote: Bruning, Aye; Cautrell, Aye; Anderson, Aye; Hefner, Aye; Hammer, absent. Motion carried 4-0. Discussion on purchase of trees for the Village Park and removal of hedges and three Hackberry trees on the west side of Memorial Park. General consensus was to consider both items later this fiscal year or work into the 2022-2023 budget.

The Board reviewed edits from Village attorney Bruce Curtiss for the draft ordinance allowing chickens inside the Village limits. Changes were discussed and will be sent back to Mr. Curtiss to finalize.

Motion by Cautrell seconded by Bruning to accept a gift of Lots Twelve (12) and Thirteen (13), Block Nine (9), Original Town of Coleridge, Cedar County, Nebraska. By roll call vote: Anderson, Aye; Cautrell, Aye; Bruning, Aye; Hefner, Aye; Hammer, absent. Motion carried 4-0.

Current wages for employees are: Sharon Anderson, Clerk/Treasurer, \$18.00 per hour; Dennis Naslund, Utility Supervisor, \$22.50 per hour; Seth Malcom, Maintenance Supervisor, \$20.00 per hour; Mandy Bruning, Assistant Clerk/Economic Development Coordinator, \$18.00 per hour; Stefanie Brummels Housekeeping, \$13.00 per hour; Floyd McCart, Mowing, \$13.00.

Updates or other business matters with no formal action taken; Police Chief position is still open; Dilapidated housing; Street repairs on West Fulton; Park Avenue boundaries and encroachment; equipment needs; Internet access at the sewer plant.

Reaching the end of the agenda, the Chairman asked if there was any more business to come before the Board. Hearing none, the meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

ATTEST: Sharon Anderson  
Sharon Anderson, Village Clerk



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