**Village of Bellwood**

**Meeting Minutes ~ January 3rd, 2023**

The Village of Bellwood Board of Trustees held its regular meeting on January 3rd, 2023, at the Village Auditorium. Chairman Joyce Napier, called the meeting to order at 7:00 with Vice Chairman Scott Romshek, and Trustees Connie Scholz, Jeremy Junck, and Lee Nickolite in attendance. Village employees Jennifer Stracke, Paul Nickolite, and Ray Sueper were also present.

Chairman Napier stated that the open meetings law is in effect.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

The Minutes of the December 5th, 2022, Meeting was up for approval. Chairman Joyce Napier motioned to approve the minutes and Trustee Connie Scholz seconded the motion, which passed all in favor, no one against.

The December bills were read by Jennifer Stracke. Vice Chairman Scott Romshek motioned to approve the minutes and Trustee Jeremy Junck seconded the motion, which passed all in favor, no one against.

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| Dec-22 |  |  |  |
| Vendor | Description | Amount | Check # |
| Bank of the Valley | Truck loan payment | $525.93 | E-Pay |
| Dept of Revenue | Nov sales tax | $267.18 | E-Pay |
| Bank of the Valley | Safe Deposit rental | $20.00 | E-Pay |
| Quick books Live | Online Contract | $40.00 | E-Pay |
| Principal Life Insurance | Employee Stipend | $150.00 | 15898 |
| Hometown Leasing | Lease on Printer | $91.51 | 15906 |
| Butler Co Treasurer Office | Sheriff payment | $1,000.00 | 15889 |
| Ace Hardware David City | Supplies | $80.23 | 15888 |
| BPPD | Electricity | $2,373.19 | 15890 |
| Card Services | Employee Credit Cards | $2,096.36 | 15891 |
| Colonial Research | Chemicals | $386.14 | 15892 |
| D-Sign Shop | 22' & 23' ATV sticker | $74.25 | 15893 |
| Danny's Stump Removal | Tree stump service | $500.00 | 15886 |
| David City Utilities | Contracting help | $499.00 | 15894 |
| Didiers Grocery | Holiday gifts | $198.09 | 15895 |
| Eakes Office Solutions | printing meter | $103.70 | 15896 |
| Frontier Coop | Propane | $524.07 | 15897 |
| Immense Impact | Annual Subscription | $565.95 | 15899 |
| Jackson Service | Cleaners | $161.75 | 15900 |
| JEO Consulting Group | 2022 Road Program | $600.00 | 15901 |
| League of Nebraska | Membership Dues | $404.00 | 15902 |
| Lengemann & Associates | Audit Waiver Prep | $3,500.00 | 15903 |
| MARC | Chemicals | $1,053.50 | 15904 |
| NE Public Health Envir Lab | Water Testing | $262.00 | 15905 |
| Verizon Wireless | Cell phone | $83.16 | 15907 |
| Waste Connection | Trash Service | $356.40 | 15908 |
| Windstream | phone lines/internet | $403.84 | 15909 |
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|  | Total | $16,320.25 |  |

**Butler County Sheriff’s Department:**

Sheriff Tom Dion was not present at the Meeting. Village board has copies of the CAD and Dispatch report in their packet.

**Planning and Zoning/Building Inspector:**

Ray Sueper gave the board an Inspection Report listing details of the duties he did for the month of December. He also gave the Village Board a list of Permits sold in 2022.

**Complaint Forms:**

No Complaint forms on file.

**Tree Board:**

No Tree Board Report.

**Water/Utility Issues:**

Discussion was made to purchase a sand/salt spreader that would attach to the village truck. Utility Supervisor Paul Nickolite received 2 quotes from Midwest Services. A small spreader for around 2500 and a larger one for 3000. Chairman Joyce Napier motioned for Paul to purchase the larger Spreader attachment. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lee Nickolite, which passed all in favor, no one against.

**Monthly Treatment Plant Update:**

No update from Paul Nickolite

**Old Business:**

Chairman Joyce Napier read the final revised Firewood Ordinance 2023-1, with the revised amendment on section B number 3. Vice Chairman Scott Romshek motioned to pass the amendment in section B number 3. Trustee Connie Scholz seconded the Motion, which passed all in favor, no one against.

Chairman Joyce Napier motioned to suspend the 3 readings and pass on 1st and final read. The motion was seconded by Jeremy Junck, which passed all in favor, no one against.

Chairman Joyce Napier motioned to pass Ordinance 2023-1 and Vice Chairman Scott Romshek seconded the motion. Firewood Ordinance 2023-1 motion passed all in favor, no one against.

**New Business:**

Resident Jeff Romshek questioned the board if they would allow the National Guard to bring in their Black Hawk helicopter for Bellwood Daze for the kids to tour, instead of the Life Flight helicopter that comes normally. He stated they would need a Letter of Approval assuming all liability risk. The board agreed and asked clerk to write an approval letter.

Resident Brian From addressed the Village Board for consideration of application for approval of Class C Liquor License to re-open the former Backroads Pub. He just sent in a new liquor application to the State December 30th, as he did not apply to run off of Backroad Pubs license. Brian plans to keep it as a bar and grill with the exception of name change to Frommy’s Bar & Grill. The board will need to vote on the permanent liquor license at the next meeting.

Discussion regarding the Comprehensive Plan Request for Proposal dates was discussed by the board. Ray Sueper proposed schedule dates to the board. Tentative schedule is that the village board will listen to the bidding contractors on February 6th prior to the board meeting. He is going to follow up with Keith in David City to see how much time they need to prepare for the bids and will email the board.

Discussion regarding whether to pay the Village Board monthly instead of annually. Board Members agreed on whatever is easier, and it does not matter either way to them. Will do further research and follow-up.

Discussion regarding providing snow removal for the Bellwood School. Paul and the village board decided that he would do the South and West parking lots at no charge. The Village no longer has the equipment to do sidewalks like in the past.

Chairman Joyce Napier called for a motion to adjourn from regular meeting at 8:10pm and enter in Executive session to discuss Annual Employment reviews with Utility Supervisor Paul Nickolite and Village Clerk/Treasurer Jennifer Stracke. Trustee Connie Scholz seconded the motion, which passed all in favor, no one against.

Board of Trustees entered into Executive Session at 8:12pm to discuss Annual Employment reviews for Utility Supervisor Paul Nickolite and Village Clerk/Treasurer Jennifer Stracke. Chairman Joyce Napier motioned to adjourn from the Executive Session at 8:52pm and enter back into General Session meeting. Vice Chairman Scott Romshek seconded the motion, which passed all in favor, no one against.

Chairman Joyce Napier motioned to adjourn from General Session meeting at 8:53p.m. Trustee Lee Nickolite seconded the motion, which passed all in favor, no one against.

**Next Board Meeting with be Monday, February 6th, 2023, at 7:00pm.**

Village Clerk/Treasurer

Jennifer Stracke