Village of Bellwood Meeting Minutes ~ June 7th, 2021

The Village of Bellwood Board of Trustees held its regular meeting on June 7th, 2021, at the Village Auditorium. Chairwoman Joyce Napier, called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M. with Co-Chair Scott Romshek, and Trustees Connie Scholz, Jeremy Junck, and Lee Nickolite in attendance. Village employees Jennifer Brown, Paul Nickolite, Ray Sueper, and Village Attorney Tim Wollmer were also present.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

The minutes of the June 7th meeting were up for approval. Co-Chair Romshek motioned to approve the minutes; Trustee Nickolite seconded. Motion passed all for none against.

The April receipts and bills were read by Clerk Brown at 7:05. Trustee Scholz motioned to approve the bills as read, Trustee Junck seconded. Motion passed all for none against.

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Butler County Sheriff's Department:

Topics discussed included the option to have the Veterinary Clinic Bar S out of David City Nebraska to help conclude if a dog at the residence of 511 Walnut is a Pitt Bull or other breed. Attorney Wollmer will look into the legalities of Pitt Bull definitions.

Sheriff Dion also stated that he talked with persons riding motorcycles around town in an unsafe manner and spoke with them to stop the behavior.

Complaint Forms – None

Tree Board – The Board asks that they look into the benefits of being a "Tree City".

Auditorium Project – No Report

Planning and Zoning -

Mr. Sueper informed the Board of Trustees that he has been working on the Pitt Bull situation as well as working with the trailer court on cleaning up trees and making sure that skirting is appropriately attached and cared for. Mr. Super also stated that there are three trailers with no residents in house and mentioned that there is currently a camper at the trailer court as well. He advised that he will look into the length of the stay of the camper.

The annexation of Frontier Co-op is moving forward per Attorney Wollmer and Mr. Super. Craig Scholz, representative from Frontier Co-Op asked about the water main connection, Mr. Sueper estimated the cost to be 210K to tie the mans into the Village water supply. Mr. Scholz voiced his concern in regard to the Village offering water and sewer to the Co-Op, Mr. Super said that the Village is not planning to exercise that option at this time. Attorney Wollmer noted that at this time there is nothing different to what is currently being done and it is only a designation for tax dollars. It was also discussed that no new zoning standards would be put in place that are not already in place. Chairwoman Napier stated that the relationship between the Co-Op and the Village has always been a good one and she would like to keep the relationship on good terms. Attorney Wollmer advised that there must be three readings of the ordinance and that the 2nd reading should take place at the July 6th Board Meeting. A motion to approve and authorize the ordinance to continue the annexation of the Co-Op motioned by Co-Chair Romshek and 2nd by Trustee Junk. Motion passed all for none against. Trash and mowing issues have been addressed.

The Shuman residence was discussed as a possible condemnation. Mr. Sueper is working on a sidewalk plan that will be put into place by the planning commission and is on the agenda for the June 29th Planning Commission Meeting.

Water Treatment Center: All wells and water samples are good, and all is running well per Superintendent Nickolite.

Utilities Report: The Village needs 7 new fire hydrants and at estimated cost of \$42,000. Clerk Brown and Superintendent Nickolite will look into grants, and other funding options for the cost. Mr. Nickolite also brought up that the Village needs a new magnetic locator with a purchase price of around \$750.00.

Planning Commission – The Planning Commission will hold a meeting on Tuesday, June 29th, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

Other business -

Resident Larry Bazer brought to the Board his thoughts on charging individuals and businesses higher rates for utilization of the Village Marquee. This was taken into advisement and will be looked into by Chairwoman Napier and Clerk Brown and the findings will be brought forth at a later date.

Office Printer – Due to the office printer no longer working, the Board of Trustees advised Clerk Brown to look at different options for leasing a new printer for the office.

Christmas Lights – The Board of Trustees asked that a committee be formed for the Holiday celebrations and to update them at the July 6^{th} meeting.

Resident Brian Wilson asked why the streets are not swept anymore as they used to be swept three times per year. Chairwoman Napier asked who we used in the past and was told that it was Nebraska Sweeping of Waverly, Nebraska. The Board advised to try to get on their schedule before Bellwood Days.

8:17 p.m. - Motion to adjourn, by Co-Chair Romshek, 2nd by Trustee Scholz. Motion passed all for none against.

Next Meeting will be July 6th 202,1 at 7:00 p.m.

Village Clerk, Jennifer Brown