

**The Village of Brainard
Board of Trustees Board Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2017**

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Brainard held a regular meeting on May 15, 2017 at 7:00P.M at the City Hall. The meeting notice and agenda were posted in three public places: City Hall, the community bulletin board, and the Brainard Post Office. The agenda is kept current at the City Clerk's office and available for public inspection. This method is designated by the public body.

Chairman Elaine Fortik called the meeting to order with recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and the reading of the agenda. Chairman Fortik announced that a copy of the current Open Meetings Act was on display for public inspection.

Roll Call: Trustees Present: Kevin Behne, Scott Foral, Elaine Fortik, Dave Havlovic, Ernest Kabourek

Staff Present: Clerk/Treasurer Robin Sullivan, Utilities Supt. Alan Kovar

Guests: Brian Foral, John Bongers, Loren Lindahl, Tim Pelan, Tom Pesek, Pam Siroky of Agency One Insurance, Dean Kriz, Diane Vanderslice of First NE Bank Insurance Agency

New Business: Insurance

Diane Vanderslice of First Nebraska Bank Insurance Agency provided a policy quote for \$12,706 for May 26, 2017 to May 26, 2018 coverage through Employers Mutual Company. The quote included a summary of coverage of commercial property, general liability, linebacker, commercial inland marine, business auto, and workers compensation.

Pam Siroky of First State Insurance Agency provided a policy quote for \$15,473.00 for May 26, 2017 to May 26, 2018 coverage through Continental Western Group. The quote included a summary of coverage of property, liability, automobile, and workers compensation.

Veteran's Memorial lease agreement draft:

Village Attorney Loren Lindahl provided a draft of an agreement that could be used for the placement of a veteran's memorial structure in Evergreen Park. Mr. Lindahl suggested that the draft could be revised as needed. Loren explained that once plans and a lease agreement had been finalized the Village would then adopt an ordinance adopting the lease agreement. The next step would be for the legion to provide a final sketch of the monument for the board to review and to work through the agreement. The Board discussed that they did want to move forward and allow the memorial to be placed in Evergreen Park.

Scott Foral made the motion, seconded by Kevin Behne to allow for Brainard Legion Post 273 to place a temporary sign designating the future placement of the memorial in Evergreen Park.

Voting aye: Behne, Foral, Fortik, Havlovic, Kabourek

Voting nay: none
The motion carried

American Legion Electric Bill:

Dean Kriz and Tom Pesek reported to the Board that they felt that the recent electric bill was high and there may have been problems with the meter. The Board agreed to have the meter checked by Butler Public Power District. A new meter had been installed to replace this meter.

Firework stand request:

Tim Pelan discussed the placement of a fireworks stand/trailer within Village limits. Tim asked the Board to consider the possibility of allowing the stand in City Park or Evergreen Park. Village Attorney Loren Lindahl discussed the liability factor and insurance coverage of using public areas for private use. The board discussed the request and felt the public parks would not be a suitable place for this type of stand due to the location of homes and the noise that is associated with this type of vendor, liability to the village for this type of vendor, and the compromise of the atmosphere of a green space if a business is located in the park and the problems it might cause for others who want to use the parks during this time. It was suggested that this type of vendor is typically located on a private business lot and not on a public way. It was noted that the fireworks stand had been located on a private lot in the past.

Review of Municipal Code Book Draft:

The Board reviewed Chapter 2 and would continue with Chapter 3 at the June 19, 2017 Board Meeting.

Insurance Policy

Scott Foral made the motion, seconded by Kevin Behne to approve the insurance premium quote of \$12, 706 from First Nebraska Bank Insurance Agency and to check into adding an additional 1 million of liability to the policy.

Voting aye: Behne, Foral, Fortik, Havlovic, Kabourek

Voting nay: none
The motion carried

Review of Minutes:

Kevin Behne made the motion, seconded by Ernest Kabourek to approve the April 17, 2017 Board meeting minutes as presented.

Voting aye: Behne, Foral, Fortik, Havlovic, Kabourek

Voting nay: none
The motion carried

Consideration of Claims:

Dave Havlovic made the motion, seconded by Ernest Kabourek to approve the May 2017 claims to be paid as presented.

Voting aye: Behne, Foral, Fortik, Havlovic, Kabourek

Voting nay: none

The motion carried

Parks, Streets, Pool, Trees:

Clerk Sullivan reported that Great Plains Nursery would be in town in the next few days to plant city trees. The Board discussed replacing the basketball nets and volleyball net in Evergreen Park. It was discussed that Topkote had been in town and completed the armor coating. Clerk Sullivan was asked to line up the street cleaning before Brainard's activity weekend. The Board discussed the area north of the swimming pool and the possibility of lightly developing this area into something recreational. It was reported that the volunteers working on the flower islands had done a great job.

It was reported that the lease agreement from East Butler School allowing for the town to utilize the ball diamond area had expired. Board Member Kevin Behne was asked to contact the East Butler Superintendent about the lease agreement.

Pool-Utility Supt. Alan Kovar reported that several valves, a new water heater, toilets, back flow, and plumbing had been worked on. Clerk Sullivan reported on swim lessons details and that a pool employee training session would take place with Aqua Chem, Inc. on May 26th.

Electrical, Sewer, Water:

Alan reported the Cecelia Street lift station was working for the time being and the new pump would be installed as soon as possible. It was reported that phase two of the electrical project would be starting soon. Recent selenium results for the two running wells were 37.1 and 35.2. Alan reported that DNEQ had contacted him requesting a decision on what was going to be done with the top cell at the old lagoon cell.

Additional business: Clerk Sullivan reported she would be going to the Southern Seven Clerk's Association in McCool Junction on May 18. It was mentioned that Brainard's Evening in the Park had been scheduled for July 8, 2017

Ernest Kabourek made the motion, seconded by Dave Havlovic to adjourn the meeting at 10:45P.M.

Voting aye: Behne, Foral, Fortik, Havlovic, Kabourek

Voting nay: none

The motion carried

