

Official proceedings of Platte Center Board of Trustees- February 13th, 2024

The regular meeting of the Chairman and Board of Trustees of the Village of Platte Center, Nebraska was convened in open and public session at the Auditorium. Notification was given thereof by publication and a copy of that proof of publication is on file. Chairman Pillen called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and informed the public of the location of a current and complete copy of the Nebraska Open Meeting Act. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Present by roll call were Trustees: Hake, Sliva, Coble, Pillen, Absent: Barber

Chairman Pillen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Sliva moved to accept the Consent Agenda which included February 13th, 2024 Agenda & Meeting Minutes for January 16th 2024 meeting with the addition to the minutes that Loseke paid \$100 toward the Splash Pad, however it was through Venmo therefor \$2 were in fees to Venmo therefor \$98 was transferred to the Splash Pad account. Hake second the motion. Roll Call, Ayes: Hake, Sliva, Pillen, Coble. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Building Permits-None

Flood zone permits-None

Sliva presented a draft Non-exempt overtime/compensatory time/on-call policy. Sliva advised that changes can be made to the policy and that it is a starting point for developing a policy on overtime/comp time. Sliva encouraged employees and board members to review and to come up with suggestions next meeting. No action needed. Tabled to next month.

Clerk Coble presented a Proclamation for Gambling Awareness Month for March. The board agreed not to sign the Proclamation at this time. The board cited the lack of necessity to do so.

The board agreed to have Dump Day April 27th & 28th weekend. The backup date to be the following weekend in case of inclement weather.

It was discussed that Don Souilliere asked about the possibility of having an art/vendor show in the auditorium. The board discussed they didn't see any issues with that. Mr. Souilliere to bring any further discussion to the board.

The board discussed having Complete Pest Control come through town for Mosquito control for the 2024 season. Coble made a motion to approve mosquito control. Sliva second the motion. Roll Call, Ayes: Hake, Sliva, Pillen, Coble. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board discussed the need to change the Sales Tax percentages to ensure larger amount payable in October for Water Tower Payment. Hake made a motion to change the sales tax percentages to 17%, street fund to 77 percent, emergency fund to 3% and improvement fund to 3%. Sliva second the motion. Roll Call, Ayes: Hake, Sliva, Pillen, Coble. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Sliva made a motion to approve the Third Amended and Restated Interlocal Solid Waste Management Agreement with the Northeast Nebraska Solid Waste Coalition. Coble second the motion. Roll Call, Ayes: Hake, Sliva, Pillen, Coble. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Coble made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-2 which Chairman of the Board is authorized to sign the Third Amended Interlocal Solid Waste Management Agreement on the behalf of the Village of Patte Center. Hake second the motion. Roll Call, Ayes: Hake, Sliva, Pillen, Coble. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board discussed the continued need to form a safety committee to fulfill requirements from insurance and state legislature. Mark Borchers volunteered to be a part of the committee. Clerk Coble to re-post for interest.

The board discussed the different attorney options that have been presented over the last 2 months. The board decided not to move forward with a potential attorney change.

The board discussed the tractor rental options. Tabled until next month.

Hake discussed the Splash Pad. Hake advised that Whitney Kreinert reached out to her and stated she did not see in the minutes the vote of location of Splash Pad or prices. The board discussed there was a public vote therefore it was in the minutes. Clerk Coble advised she would document the information again. The total construction cost for the Splash pad is estimated to be

\$235,000. The funds needed to apply for the Nebraska Game & Parks grant is \$117,831. The board voted at a prior meeting to have the location of the Splash Pad in Elmwood Park.

Sliva discussed committee reports. Sliva asked about the replacement of the bumble in the park. Clerk Coble advised that the board agreed to purchase a replacement, however when Clerk Coble went to order the shipping costs were \$800-\$1200 so she did not order. Sliva discussed adding the dog waste bag station to the park, the street signs that were ordered and asked if there were any updates on the ballfield. Greisen to contact Cody Osten. Sliva asked if anyone heard more from Alice Steck about the donation of trees in honor of her late parents. Sliva to ask Ms. Steck if she would like to move forward with that project.

Greisen discussed the maintenance report. Greisen advised that while he is laid up for injury he will be working on Lead & Copper reports. He discussed the chain on the door on the water tower, that water tests were completed and the manhole by the shop was repaired.

Clerk Coble discussed that she included a copy of the Open Meetings Act for Review for the board members. Clerk Coble discussed the late paychecks to employees, that Village documentation should not be removed from the office, and if board members have questions of the employees, to ask the employees directly. Clerk Coble gave an update about the private audit. She advised that Adam Elm had called her and advised that the preliminary results would be done within the week.

Mark Borchers was present at the meeting and supplied the County policies for employment.

February 1st, 2024, 2023 Utility Report/ Treasurers report. Bank Balances: Checking \$81,935.65 Grant Account \$515.55 Auditorium Donations \$10,158.80, Water Savings \$31,715.30, Sales Tax Savings \$211,713.35 Splash Pad Acct \$10,089.20

Amazon	192.98	Auditorium Cleaning Supplies & Paper
Bank of Valley-Savings	4,000.00	Water Savings (Transfer Online)
Buds Sanitation	3,100.75	Garbage Contract, December 2023
Cornhusker Public Power	242.33	Well Power
Doris Sliva	143.10	Auditorium Cleaning
Egley, Fullner & Montag	83.20	Legal Fees
gWorks	3,857.00	Utility Billing Upgrades
Humphrey Democrat	10.29	Legal Notices
Intuit	341.47	Quickbooks
IRS	1,945.97	Payroll taxes
J & L General Store	711.10	Fuel
Jackson Services	109.36	Aud. Cleaning
LARM	142.95	Payroll Audit
Loup Power District	6,027.76	Village Power
Nebraska Public Health Environmental Lab	34.00	Water Tests
UNO Omaha	273.00	Municipal Clerk Institute
Payroll	\$7,286.19	Jan-24
Platte County Highway Department	\$94.19	Couplers
Platte County Weed Control	\$302.35	Chemicals
Platte Valley Equipment	966.47	January 2024 Tractor Rental & Parts Sale
Nebraska Department of Revenue.	208.95	Online (Prepaid)
Schumacher Smejkal & Elm, P.C.	4,950.00	Audit Waiver Compilation

The UPS Store	65.02	Mailing Water Samples
US Cellular	180.50	Cell Phones (online payment
Vyve Broadband	217.41	Internet & Phone Service
Zieglers Oil Company	1,525.30	Propane, Auditorium

Sliva made moved to accept reports and pay submitted bills. Hake2nd the motion. Roll Call, Ayes: Hake, Sliva, Pillen, Nays: None. Motion carried.

Sliva made a motion & Coble 2nd the motion to adjourn regular business meeting at 8:55pm. Roll Call, Ayes: Hake, Sliva, Pillen, Coble. Nays: None. Motion carried.