

Official proceedings of Platte Center Board of Trustees – April 8th, 7:00pm

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, Silva, Pillen, Hassebrook, Barber Absent: None

Chairman Pillen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Sliva moved to accept the Consent Agenda which included Agenda & Meeting Minutes for March 11th, 2025. Hake second the motion. Roll Call, Ayes: Hassebrook, Sliva, Hake Nays: None Motion Carried.

Public Comments: Amber & Eli Pilakowski present to ask about the closure of the alleyway behind Virg's Garage and Rural Fire Department. They also would like to use Virg's old pick up as decoration on the corner of their property and the board is okay with them doing such. Jim & Lori Uden came in to discuss the Community Garden regarding tire tracks through the garden & water hook up. Lori plans to put stakes in the ground to make sure the garden area is known. We will obtain quotes to find water lines and if the ability to hook up water is there.

Building Permits: Hake made the motion to approve Mike & Deb Jarecki to put a roof on the existing structure. Terry Rinkol to put up a fence on the property. Sliva second the motion. Roll Call, Ayes: Hassebrook, Barber, Nays: None Motion Carried

Old Business: Water Tower Repair on company's repair schedule, Baseball Field are maintained, and games are scheduled for the summer., School Crossing Sign is now in place., Riser Sleeves on Manholes will be done in the next month by Greisen w/ hired help. Local Businesses who sent in their Logo to village email will be put on the website in the next month. Stankoski Bank dig up, clean up allies, Dropbox suggestion will be placed on auditorium for anyone to grab a Community Comment card and place inside drop box., Lagoon Sludge (has been completed). A tree to be planted- Alice more information to be acquired. Streets have been swept by Gehring Construction and Ready Mix on 4/4/202. Village clean-up has been organized and ready for the start date April 28th. Information on credit cards for the Village is obtained and will be voted on in the next meeting.

Bierman Estates Land would like to have an unofficial conversation about the land where the USPS store sits and the possibility of selling the land to the Village of Platte Center.

The Floodplain Ordinance for the Village of Platte Center needs to be updated. We will begin that process in the months to be up to date.

Greisen is up today on Village's DMRs.

Splash pad donations; donors have been mailed a letter to vote. Will wait one month for votes to get in before funds are moved. The comment of adding more sand to the park in the time being. Board agrees and would like to see sand added to sand volleyball courts as well.

Village clean-up plan: all residents should have received a letter with ordinances and what the community is looking for.

PC Elementary Kids Pick up streets in May. The students will collect trash along the streets of Platte Center during the week of Earth Day. They will place garbage bags on the corner and will notify someone in the Village to grab bags and place them in Village dumpsters. Board plans on rewarding the kids for their good deeds.

Hake made the motion to change internet companies from Vyve to Stealth for Village office and Village Shop for \$128.90 per location per month for 60 months. Sliva second the motion. Roll Call, Ayes: Hassebrook, Barber, Nays: None Motion Carried

Schmidt had obtained a quote for a new handheld to read water meters. More information is needed to make sure it is cohesive with existing meters and possibility of a new system for users.

Greisen would like to purchase a demo saw for the Village vs Rent. More quotes and pricing will be obtained and voted on at the next meeting

Greisen would like to hire a 16-year-old to help in summer to mow. Anyone running "small engines" needs to be 18 years of age and up. The Village Board has agreed to let Don Souliere help when needed during the summer to mow Village property or overgrown private property.

Gehring Construction Proposal for G Street was obtained; Quote was stated for the total of \$221,792.00. The board would like to look into asphalt quotes on more streets before making a choice.

Weather Radio to School or Siren Near School; the Board has to decide to place a radio to the school in the office so the office can hear first-hand if they need to take shelter. A Siren to go up in that area of town will be looked at and quoted to keep the new addition also in the know of severe storms and emergencies.

Review of Brooke Schmidt's Trial period as clerk. Schmidt stated that she feels comfortable in her role she has signed up for. Barber made the motion to allow Schmidt to work extra hours to get books caught up. The board stated how good of a job Schmidt has done to organize the office and bookwork. Hassebrook Second motion. Roll Call, Ayes: Hassebrook, Barber, Sliva, Hake Nays: None Motion Carried.

Sliva made the motion to raise Brooke Schmidt's trial period pay from \$20 to \$25 an hour. Hassbrook seconded the motion. Roll Call, Ayes: Hassebrook, Barber, Sliva, Hake Nays: None Motion Carried.

Lane Mile Report- Barber/Hassebrook will review streets to make sure there are no changes, and Schmidt will submit a Report when the Committee has completed their review.


Committee Reports: none

Village Maintenance Report- Andrew Greisen; Finishing up lead and Copper Rule to be able to be published to the public. Greisen will fertilize Village Property the week of the 14th. The week after school Don Soulliere will help lift manholes on Platte Street. Greisen would like to get quotes for large rock to put around the lagoon.

Utility/Treasurer/Clerk Report- Brooke Schmidt; Municipal Equalization fund has increased for the FY 2025-2026.

April 1, 2025, Utility Report/ Treasurer's report. Bank Balances: Checking \$44,589.07 Grant Account \$515.55 Auditorium Donations \$10,158.80, Water Savings \$45,502.08, Sales Tax Savings \$245,468.21 Splash Pad Acct \$11,289.20

Ace Hardware	414.66	supplies, invoices from 2023/24, 1 from 2025
Amazon	81.94	office chair, mailbox, mouse pad
Andy Greisen	21.80	Reimbursement @ Water Conference
Awards & Engravings	150.00	Dog Tags- 2025

 Bank of Valley-Savings	4,000.00	Water Savings (Transfer Online)
Buds Sanitation	3,120.75	Garbage Contract, February 2025
Doris Sliva	135.00	Auditorium Cleaning
Cornhusker Public Power	179.19	Well Power
Go Daddy	44.34	website domain renewal
Hamernik Plumbing & Well Drilling Inc	1,287.52	water lines to 261 D Street
Humphrey Democrat	129.43	Meeting Proceedings
Intuit	197.00	QuickBooks
IRS	2,191.78	Payroll taxes
J & L General Store	104.61	Gas
La Quinta	272.12	Greisen's Stay for Water Conference

LRE	3,860.76	Wellhead Protection
Loup Power District	2,155.92	Village Power
Midwest Laboratories	270.00	annual Influent, postage
Miller & Associates	1,080.00	FEMA BRIC preparation
One Call Concepts, Inc	15.50	Jan, Feb, March
Payroll	\$10,117.98	Mar-25
Nebraska Department of Revenue.	371.20	Ne Income Taxes
Nebraska Department of Revenue.	249.07	Sales Tax
		NeRWA Annual Conference
Nebraska Rural Water Association	445.00	2025
Sempek Sand & Gravel	120.00	16 ton of sand
T-Bone P.D.LLC	592.26	Auditorium Fuel
USPS (Columbus)	146.00	Stamps
US Cellular	154.04	Cell Phones (online payment
Virg's Garage	1,024.34	Oil Change, Inspection, Fix F450
Vyve	247.49	Internet, Online Payment
Walgreens	2.45	envelopes
		Office Supplies (file Folders,
Walmart	54.11	highlighters, paper shredder

Sliva made a motion to accept reports and pay submitted bills. Hake 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Roll Call, Ayes: Hassebrook, Sliva, Hake, Barber Nays: None Motion Carried.

Hake made a motion & Barber 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion to adjourn regular business meeting at 9:08 pm. Roll Call, Ayes: Hassebrook, Sliva, Hake, Barber Nays: None Motion Carried.