

The Village of Brule Board of Trustees met in regular session on April 11, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. in the Brule Fire Hall. Notice of the meeting was posted in three public places prior to the meeting date, that being the designated procedure. The meeting will be conducted according to the Open Meetings Act which is the posted on the north side of the meeting room.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the Board Chairman and Board members.

Roll Call: Alan Bahnsen, Mike Gibson, Brian McNeff, Ed Smith. Absent: Kenneth Armknecht.

Guests: Cody Fenwick: Christopher Aufdengarten: Boy Scout, Jennifer Aufdengarten, Christi Hillard: Scout Leader, Jack Hillard: Scout. Art & Molly Hill, Barbara Baney, Chris McNeff: Scout Leader, B J VanVelson.

The meeting was called to order by Alan Bahnsen stating the meeting will be conducted according to the Open Meetings Act posted on the north wall.

A motion by Brian McNeff to excuse Kenneth Armknecht from the meeting and seconded by Mike Gibson. Yeas: Mike Gibson, Ed Smith, Brian McNeff. Absent: Absent: Kenneth Armknecht. Motion: Carried.

Christopher Audengarten stated that he is working for his Eagle Scout Badge and project will be to start a Community Garden in the ballpark. He asked permission to use the Concession Building or the Maintenance Shed on the east side of the Concession Building. It would be a vegetable garden on the north side of the walking path. The Concession Building is currently used by other area groups and the Maintenance Shed is used by Kevin Tjaden for the Park mowers. The Board will find a place for him to store the garden tools. This year will be to prep the area for next summer. Christopher hopes that eventually the community will take over responsibility of the Community Garden. The Village will allow Christopher to use the water with not charge. A motion by Mike Gibson to approve Christopher Aufdengarten's project for the Community Garden and seconded by Ed Smith. Yeas: Mike Gibson, Ed Smith, Brian McNeff. Absent: Absent: Kenneth Armknecht. Motion: Carried.

B J VanVelson stated that the Brule Community Cleanup will be by April 29 and asked if there will be another place to pile tree branches. Alan Bahnsen will check in to the availability of a new temporary location. The Keith electrician has not responded as this time. Two trash containers have been donated. Western Resources will have a trailer for electronics. She needs manpower to help April 29. John Evert will have 2 trailers for refrigerators with Freon the charge is \$10 each. The one artist has submitted 3 designs for the Park Restroom mural project.

Molly Hill stated that when the snow was moved from the streets to her property that it destroyed her flowers, grass and broke a railroad tie. She would like to have the Village hire K Lawn reseed her grass and replace the railroad tie and take it back to the original condition. Al Bahnsen asked for pictures of what the property looked like before the storm by April 12th or 13th.

The Chicken Ordinance was not received prior to the meeting. The Ordinance will contain the following: limit of 6 chickens or ducks, no exotic birds, no roosters. Birds will not be allowed on the front of the property and must have 100 sq. ft. per bird, coops and caged area must be cleaned every two weeks. Must receive permission from neighbors.

The minutes were read and Mike Gibson ask why all the Board Members names were listed and was it not true that Al Bahnsen was only to vote in case of a tie vote. This will be corrected on the May minutes. A motion by Brian McNeff to approve the minutes and seconded by Ed Smith. Yeas: Mike Gibson, Ed Smith, Brian McNeff. Absent: Kenneth Armknecht. Motion: Carried.

Discussion was held on the license needed for spraying in town. A municipal license is need to spray within the Village.

Discussion was held on the semi-truck parking in residential area.

A motion by Ed Smith to approve the Treasure's Report as presented and seconded by Brian McNeff. Yeas: Mike Gibson, Ed Smith, Brian McNeff. Absent: Kenneth Armknecht. Motion: Carried.

Brule Cemetery financials were presented.

A motion by Ed Smith to approve the bills as presented and seconded by Brain McNeff. Yeas: Mike Gibson, Ed Smith, Brian McNeff. Absent: Kenneth Armknecht. Motion: Carried.

A motion to approve the 2023 Nuisance and Abatement by Ed Smith and seconded by Brian McNeff. Yeas: Ed Smith, Brian McNeff. Nays: Mike Gibson. Absent: Kenneth Armknecht. Motion: Carried.

A motion to approve the billings as presented by Ed Smith and seconded by Brian McNeff. Yeas: Ed Smith, Brian McNeff. Nays: Mike Gibson. Absent: Kenneth Armknecht. Motion: Carried.

ALAN BAHNSEN 68.65 ATC COMMUNICATIONS 157.84 KENNETH ARMKNECHT 46.18 BLACK HILLS ENERGY 8.30, 123.34, BRULE ACTIVITY CENTER 175.00, 175.00 CORNHUSKER GLASS 31.74 EDWARD SMITH 46.18 ENVIRO SERVICE INC 233.00 MIKE GIBSON 46.18 KWIK STOP 198.55, 194.12 VICKI MALMKAR 578.22, 578.22 MATTHEW EMERZIAN 1454.19, 1454.19 BRIAN MCNEFF 46.18 Nebraska Child Support Payment Center 271.00, 271.00 NPPD 92.02, 31.85, 742.55, 310.42, 659.92, 31.58, 31.58, 31.58, 31.58 OFFICE SERVICE 88.11 TWOMEY TREE SERVICE 1400.00 USA BLUE BOOK 806.43 WIEST HARDWARE 28.92.

A motion by Brian McNeff to adjourn the meeting at 9:11 and seconded by Mike Gibson.

Yeas: Brian McNeff, Mike Gibson, Ed Smith. Nays: None. Absent: Kenneth Armknecht. Motion Carried.

Vicki Malmkar, Clerk

Approved Alan Bahnsen

Approved Vicki Malmkar

May 9, 2023