

The Village of Brule Board of Trustees met in regular session on May 14, 2024, at Brule Community Hall at 8:00 p.m. Notice of the meeting was posted in three public places prior to the meeting date, that being the designated procedure. The meeting was conducted according to the Open Meetings Act which is 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: Mike Gibson, Brian McNeff, Kevin Tjaden, BJ Franken, and Josh Wendell, attorney. Absent: None.

Motion by Franken to nominate Brian McNeff as new chairperson of the Village of Brule Board of Trustees, seconded by Tjaden. Yeas: Gibson, Tjaden, McNeff, Franken. Motion carried.

McNeff entertained a motion to commit to a payment of \$50,000 on the overdue water bond. Motion by Franken to authorize Megan Heflin, village clerk, to make a payment of \$50,000 on the overdue water bond immediately. Seconded by Tjaden. Yeas: Gibson, Tjaden, McNeff, Franken. Motion carried.

Motion by Franken to obtain Adams Bank & Trust as paying agent on existing bonds. Tjaden seconded. Yeas: Gibson, Tjaden, McNeff, Franken. Motion carried.

Motion by Gibson to accept the resignation of chairperson, Lonnie Olson. Seconded by Franken. Yeas: Gibson, Tjaden, McNeff, Franken. Motion carried.

Motion by Gibson to remove Lonnie Olson from all accounts at Adams Bank & Trust. Seconded by Franken. Yeas: Gibson, Tjaden, McNeff, Franken. Motion carried.

Motion by Gibson to remove Alan Bahnsen and Robert Sestak from Adams Bank & Trust account titled Community Development Agency of Brule. Seconded by Tjaden. Yeas: Gibson, Tjaden, McNeff, Franken. Motion carried.

Approval of persons to add to Adams Bank & Trust account titled Community Development Agency of Brule tabled until next meeting.

Support from the Village of Brule Board of Trustees given to Molly Jeffers, representing Keith County Area Development, on her suggestions regarding the Big Give, a Keith county fundraising event. Her suggestions included a separate donation webpage for Brule First Impressions. This year's top project is providing something for children. A plan will be created after the funds from the Big Give are received.

Motion by Tjaden to get proposals from two or three vendors for building repair (ventilation door) on the water well house. Seconded by Gibson. Yeas: Gibson, Tjaden, McNeff, Franken. Motion carried.

Motion by Tjaden to create a separate email address for Village of Brule agenda items. Seconded by Gibson. Yeas: Gibson, Tjaden, McNeff, Franken. Motion carried.

Motion by Tjaden to approve village clerk, Megan Heflin, to attend the Municipal Accounting & Finance Conference in Lincoln, NE, June 12th through June 14th, all expenses paid by the Village of Brule. Seconded by Franken. Yeas: Gibson, Tjaden, McNeff, Franken. Motion carried.

Motion by Gibson to change the lock on the Village of Brule office door, with two keys provided to the village employees and board members. Seconded by Tjaden. Yeas: Gibson, Tjaden, McNeff, Franken. Motion carried.

Motion by Franken to create a yearly contract with Kevin Tjaden to mow park, baseball field, fire hall, and tennis courts at \$1000 per month. Seconded by Gibson. Yeas: Gibson, McNeff, Franken. Abstained: Tjaden. Motion carried.

The March and April meeting minutes will be updated for approval at the next meeting.

Motion by Gibson to approve a one-year subscription of US Federal Government Registration SAM (System For Award Management) at \$397.00. Seconded by Tjaden. Yeas: Gibson, Tjaden, McNeff, Franken. Motion carried.

Motion by Gibson to approve building permit application from Cathy Miller for 716 E 6th St, signed May 13th, 2024. Seconded by Tjaden. Yeas: Gibson, Tjaden, McNeff, Franken. Motion carried.

Motion by Gibson to approve payment of checks 24375, 24376, 24377, 24378, 24379, 24381, 24382, and to cut a check to the Brule Activity Center for \$175 for May rent. Seconded by Tjaden. Yeas: Gibson, Tjaden, McNeff, Franken. Motion carried.

Motion by Tjaden to add Brian McNeff to all accounts at Adams Bank & Trust, except for the account titled Community Development Agency of Brule. Seconded by Gibson. Yeas: Gibson, Tjaden, McNeff, Franken. Motion carried.

Motion by Gibson for Brian McNeff, chairperson, to sign the engagement letter with Dana F. Cole & Company, LLP. Seconded by Franken. Yeas: Gibson, Tjaden, McNeff, Franken. Motion carried.

Motion by Franken to table the minutes from the special meeting on April 24th until next meeting. Seconded by Gibson. Yeas: Gibson, Tjaden, McNeff, Franken. Motion carried.

No further business. Motion by Franken to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Gibson. Yeas: Gibson, Tjaden, McNeff, Franken. Motion carried.

Approved _____ Date _____

Megan Heflin, Village Clerk

Approved _____ Date _____

Brian McNeff, Chairman of Board of Trustees