

Village of Brule Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 11, 2025

The Village of Brule Board of Trustees met on March 11, 2025, at 6:30 PM in the Brule Community Hall. Notice was posted at the Brule Post Office, Adams Bank & Trust, and Village Office per procedure. The meeting followed the Open Meetings Act, displayed in the room. Advance notice and the agenda were provided to board members, with acknowledgments attached to these minutes.

Roll Call: Present Trustees: David Spencer, Julius Dickmader, and Thaddeus Glenn. Absent Trustees: Mike Gibson. Others present: Village Clerk/Treasurer Tamera Loomis. The meeting was to order at 6:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Open Meeting Act was noted with location.

Dickmader moved to approve the consent agenda, including the February 11, 2025, meeting minutes and payment of claims. Glenn seconded. Yea: All. Motion passed.

CLAIMS \$62,091.35

GENERAL			WASTE CONNECTIONS OF NE, INC.		TRSH	75.27
PAYROLL	EXP	619.43	WATER FUND			
ATC COMMUNICATIONS	PH/INT	104.33	PAYROLL	EXP	1,188.44	
Adams Bank Trust	XFER	31,027.43	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS	93.24	
BRULE ACTIVITY CENTER	RENT	175.00	DAVID SPENCER	PSTG	230.10	
CITY OF OGALLALA	CTS	15,000.00	NE Dept of Revenue	TX+IN	430.73	
McQUILLAN & WENDELL, P.C., L.L.O	LF	1,395.00	Nebraska Public Health Enviromental	TSTG	206.00	
OFFICE SERVICE	SU	59.98	One Call Concepts, Inc.	FEE	1.64	
PowerManager	SUPP	1,705.18	PowerManager	SUPP	1,705.18	
US Post Office	PSTG	154.93	US Post Office	PSTG	154.93	
VERIZON	PH	53.72	SEWER FUND			
WIEST HARDWARE	R&M	12.98	PAYROLL	EXP	1,188.44	
STREET FUND			NE Dept. of Revenue	TX+IN	1,080.82	
PAYROLL	EXP	1,188.44	NPPD	ELEC	584.47	
ATC COMMUNICATIONS	PH/INT	106.33	PowerManager	SUPP	1,705.20	
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	GAS	143.82	US Post Office	PSTG	154.94	
KWIK STOP	FUEL	89.51	SAFETY FUND			
NPPD	ELEC	1,229.62	NPPD	ELEC/FS	31.58	
VERIZON	PH	61.67	PARK FUND			
WIEST HARDWARE	R&M	38.26	NPPD	ELEC	94.74	

Chairman Spencer provided a brief report on behalf of Utility/Street Superintendent Seth Godbey.

Barb Baney provided an update on recent Tree Board activities, highlighting a tree care workshop held on March 12, 2025, as well as upcoming tree planting initiatives. She also expressed interest in recruiting additional members for the board.

Spencer moved, seconded by Dickmader, to table the purchase and installation of the Starter Ensemble Musical instruments for the park, as presented by KCAD for the Brule First Impressions Project, until the April meeting. Yea: All. Motion passed.

Glenn moved, seconded by Dickmader, to table the K-Lawn bid for Brule Park, the tennis courts, and the fire hall. The clerk will request a revised bid excluding the fire hall for consideration at the April meeting. Yea: All. Motion passed.

Spencer moved, seconded by Glenn, to advertise for a seasonal part-time maintenance worker (up to 30 hours per week) starting upon hire and ending September 30, 2025, to maintain Barton Park and the Brule Baseball Field as assigned by the Board of Trustees. The motion also includes advertising for a mowing contractor. Ads will be published in the Keith County News and posted at the Brule Post Office, Adams Bank & Trust, and Village Office. Applications and bids will be reviewed at the April 2025 meeting. Yea: All. Motion passed.

Dickmader moved to approve the Municipal Code Services codification proposal dated March 4, 2025, and authorized Chairman Spencer to sign it. Glenn seconded. Yea: All. Motion passed.

Dickmader moved that water meters be read on or about the 15th of each month, with bills issued on or about the 22nd. Utility bills will be due and payable on the 10th of each month, and any bills not paid by that date will be considered delinquent. Glenn seconded. Yea: All. Motion carried.

Dickmader moved, seconded by Glenn, to implement an online payment option for utility customers through NIC Nebraska and to authorize the clerk and chairman to take the necessary steps for its implementation. Yea: All. Motion carried.

Glenn moved, seconded by Dickmader, to implement an opt-in email (paper-free) billing option for utility customers at no cost. Yea: All. Motion carried.

Glenn moved, seconded by Dickmader, to discontinue cellphone service for the Village Office. Yea: All. Motion carried.

Glenn moved, seconded by Dickmader, to approve the building permit application for 311 West 4th Street. Yea: All. Motion carried.

Dickmader moved, second by Glenn, to approve building permit application for 402 Cherry Street. Yea: All. Motion carried.

Chairman Spencer nominated BJ Franken to fill the Village Board of Trustees vacancy, with a term expiring in 2028. Glenn moved, seconded by Dickmander, to accept the nomination. Yea: All. Motion carried.

Glenn moved to accept the March 2025 payroll with corrections, seconded by Dickmander. Yea: All. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Denise Moorhead, Jacqueline Triplette, Pam Horr, and BJ Van Velson addressed the board.

Dickmander moved to adjourn at 8:36, seconded by Glenn. Yea: Yes. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

David Spencer, Board Chairman

ATTEST:

Tamera Loomis, Village Clerk