

Village of Homer  
Regular Public Meeting  
August 14, 2025

A public meeting consisting of the Chairman and members of the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Homer, Nebraska was called to order by Village Board Chairman Jarod Barclay on Thursday, August 14, 2025, at 6:00 PM at the Homer Village Offices. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by being posted in three (3) public places as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice on file at the Village Office. Notice of the meeting was given to the Chairman and Trustees, and a copy of their Acknowledgement of Receipt and the agenda are on file at the Village Office. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance notice. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open and at the attendance of the public. The Chairman informed the public of the Open Meetings Act as posted on the west wall of the meeting room.

Roll call was taken. Members present: Chairman Barclay and Trustees A. Barclay, Cain, Eriksen, and Utemark. Also present were Clerk/Treasurer- Samantha Johnson, Maintenance Supervisor- Elvin Vavra, and many audience members.

Moved by Cain and seconded by A. Barclay to approve the July 10, 2025, regular board meeting minutes. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by A. Barclay and seconded by Utemark to approve financial statements. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by Cain to approve the following payables:

7/11/2025	ELVIN VAVRA	1,886.26
7/11/2025	BRUCE R UBBINGA	1,192.97
7/11/2025	LIAM VAVRA	114.50
7/11/2025	SAMANTHA J JOHNSON	1,443.13
7/11/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	736.86
7/11/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	172.32
7/11/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	488.03
7/25/2025	ELVIN VAVRA	1,865.24
7/25/2025	BRUCE R UBBINGA	906.32
7/25/2025	JENNIFER ALBRECHT	335.96
7/25/2025	SAMANTHA J JOHNSON	1,566.87
7/25/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	738.34
7/25/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	172.68
7/25/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	464.10
8/8/2025	ELVIN VAVRA	1,871.55
8/8/2025	BRUCE R UBBINGA	923.14
8/8/2025	JENNIFER ALBRECHT	59.56
8/8/2025	SAMANTHA J JOHNSON	1,416.05
8/8/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	678.94
8/8/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	158.80
8/8/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	443.98
7/29/2025	BEST BUY	144.43
8/14/2025	BLACK HILLS	63.24
8/14/2025	CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES	42.89
8/14/2025	CENTURY LINK	104.14
8/14/2025	CINDY HARRIS TRUCKING	225.00
8/14/2025	CRARY HUFF LAW FIRM	1,451.25
8/14/2025	DAKOTA COUNTY STAR	99.33
8/14/2025	DAKOTA COUNTY STAR	33.94
8/14/2025	DAKOTA COUNTY TREASURER	3,093.00
8/13/2025	DENNIS SUPPLY COMPANY	24.27
8/14/2025	EAKES	211.64

7/14/2025	FEDEX	50.56
8/14/2025	GILL HAULING	3,498.74
7/26/2025	HAWKINS	104.59
8/14/2025	INTERSTATE ALL BATTERY CENTER	96.46
8/14/2025	J AND J'S PRONTO	397.99
8/14/2025	JOHNSON SERVICE COMPANY	6,362.10
8/14/2025	LEAGUE OF NEBRASKA MUNICIPALITIES	1,605.00
8/14/2025	LUX BROS INC.	1,857.30
8/14/2025	Loffler Companies Inc	102.24
8/14/2025	MENARDS	143.48
8/14/2025	MENARDS	290.96
8/14/2025	MIDWEST ALARM	120.92
7/11/2025	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	230.94
7/25/2025	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	224.39
8/8/2025	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	211.99
8/14/2025	NPPD	1,417.31
8/14/2025	NPPD	771.23
8/14/2025	ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC	10.66
8/1/2025	REVEAL	49.00
8/14/2025	SIOUXLAND INTERSTATE METROPOLITAN PLANNI	858.60
8/14/2025	SOOLAND BOBCAT	625.95
8/14/2025	TEAM TROUBLECHASERS GRAPHICS & DESIGN	35.00
7/29/2025	UPS	67.47
8/11/2025	UPS	130.11
8/14/2025	WILMES HARDWARE	15.48
8/14/2025	WILMES HARDWARE	4.99

All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

The board reviewed bids for the 2025 Sanitary Sewer Improvements. No bids were accepted at this time.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by Cain to appoint Brian Friedrichsen, class A, license #S-1704, with Olsson as Homer's Street Superintendent effective August 14, 2025. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Cain and seconded by Eriksen to approve to pay \$1275 for the AirMed Care Membership annual renewal fee for the Homer Volunteer Fire Department. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by A. Barclay and seconded by Utemark to approve the HVFD liquor license for fish fries scheduled for September 2025 – March 2026 to be held at the fire hall. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Cain and seconded by J. Barclay to reimburse the Homer Volunteer Fire Department for the purchase of a backup generator for the village office and fire hall, pending availability from the Forestry. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the pad work and installation of a backup generator for the village office and fire hall. Topic was tabled until the generator is purchased, and three different bids are obtained for the work.

Moved by A. Barclay and seconded by Cain to upgrade the water system SCADA pending internet connection. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Cain and seconded by J. Barclay to approve the purchase a \$500 sprayer from Bomgaars for the lagoons. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the upgrade to surveillance cameras at the village maintenance shop/dump. Clerk is to obtain quotes from Midwest Alarm. Topic was tabled.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by A. Barclay to set an enforcement date of October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 for no overnight parking on John St. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by A. Barclay and seconded by Cain to approve the purchase of twelve, 12"x18", "No overnight parking" signs from Barco for John St. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by Utemark to approve the purchase of two solar powered flashing lights for the crosswalk on S 3rd St. from LEDLighting-Solutions, Layout #2, with the timers, at roughly \$2800 plus shipping. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Cain and seconded by J. Barclay to approve a Little Free Library to be installed and approve to apply for the Little Free Library Early Literacy Grant. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Utemark and seconded by Eriksen to appoint Village Board member A. Barclay to the Dakota County NE Housing Trust Fund. Member A. Barclay abstained from voting. All other members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by A. Barclay to add Jase Dean as an "As Needed" employee. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Cain and seconded by Eriksen to approve sending Bruce Ubbinga to next available Water Certification training. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

There were citizen concerns regarding road maintenance, specifically N 2<sup>nd</sup> where it is gravel. Residents would like to see that section paved.

Board Report – The railroad is working their way down the line to clean up overhanging trees. With the recent storms, it will be a while before they get to Homer. There were reports of an old culvert being a safety issue. There were also some Culverts backing up and streets washing out with the excess rain lately.

Maintenance supervisor report- Elvin reported there were control pannel issues at one of the lift stations.

Clerk report- Sam shared an employment application with the board.

Moved by A. Barclay and seconded by Utemark at 7:21PM to move into Executive Session for the protection of the public interest or for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Utemark and seconded by Cain to adjourn at 8:21PM. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

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Jarod Barclay – Village Board Chair

I, the undersigned Village Clerk/Treasurer for the Village of Homer, Nebraska hereby certify that the above and foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the official actions taken by the Chairman and Village Board of Trustees on August 14, 2025; that the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were continually current and available for public inspection at the Homer Village Office; that subjects were contained in said agenda for at least 24 hours prior to said meeting; that the said minutes of actions of the Chairman and Board of Trustees of the Village of Homer, Nebraska from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form within ten (10) working days and prior to the next convened meeting. IN WITNESS WHERETO, I have hereunto set my hand on August 19, 2025.

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Samantha Johnson- Village Clerk