

Village of Homer
Regular Public Meeting
December 12, 2024

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 Chair Jarod Barclay on Thursday, December 12, 2024 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, Trustees Amber Barclay, Cain, Eriksen and Utemark. Absent: None.

Moved by Cain and seconded by Utemark to approve the November 14, 2024 regular board meeting minutes and special meeting minutes for December 5. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Amber Barclay and seconded by Cain to approve the following payables:

Black Hills Energy	200.43
BNSF Railway	716.44
Canon Financial Services	42.89
Capital One	22.29
Century Link	1.34
Cindy Harris Trucking	720.00
Crary Huff Law Firm	150.00
Dakota County Star	597.30
DP Contracting	3,155.00
First Community Bank	20.00
Firstnet AT&T	102.94
Gill Hauling	3,469.13
Internal Revenue Service	727.79
J and J's Pronto	194.04
Matheson	799.37
League of Nebraska Municipalities	1,465.00
Lux Bros., Inc.	2,499.30
Lyle's Garage Door Service	127.00
Loffler Companies	213.25
Melissa Rushing	100.00
Menards	50.47
Nebraska Child Support	125.54
Nebraska Department of Revenue	115.39
Nebraska Public Health Env. Lab.	15.00
Nebraska Rural Water Assn.	250.00
NPPD - General	1,131.84
NPPD – Utility	1,541.36
One Call Concepts	58.66
Power Manager	7,148.81
UECO	572.99
United States Post Office	841.00
Wilmes Hardware	47.16

All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

The oath of office was administered to Village Board members Amber Barclay, Brandon Eriksen and Bob Utemark by the Interim Village Clerk/Treasurer.

The Interim Clerk/Treasurer then called for nominations of the Chairperson. Board member Cain then nominated Jarod Barclay to serve as Chairperson. Board member Amber Barclay seconded the nomination.

Moved by Cain and seconded by Eriksen to close nominations for Board Chairperson. Members voting Aye: Amber Barclay, Cain, Eriksen and Utemark. Jarod Barclay abstained. Motion carried.

Moved by Cain and seconded by Eriksen to appoint John Hines of the Crary Huff Law Firm as Village Attorney. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by Cain to the Dakota County Sheriff's Department as the Village Law Enforcement Agency. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by Amber Barclay to appoint the Dakota County Star as the Village's legal newspaper. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Cain and seconded by Eriksen to appoint Board Member Utemark as the Water Commissioner. Members voting Aye: Amber Barclay, Cain, Utemark and Chair Jarod Barclay. Bob Utemark abstained. Motion carried.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by Amber Barclay to appoint Board Chair Jarod Barclay as Sewer Commissioner. Members voting Aye: Amber Barclay, Cain, Eriksen and Utemark. Jarod Barclay abstained. Motion carried.

Moved by Cain and seconded by Utemark to appoint Board Member Eriksen as Parks Commissioner for a 1-year term. Members voting Aye: Utemark, Amber Barclay, Cain and Chair Jarod Barclay. Brandon Eriksen abstained. Motion carried.

Appointment of a permanent clerk/treasurer was tabled.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by Amber Barclay to approve Resolution 24-09 appointing Board Member Utemark as the representative for the Village of Homer for a 1-year term to the Mutual Finance Organization. Members voting Aye: Amber Barclay, Cain, Eriksen and Board Chair Jarod Barclay. Bob Utemark abstained. Motion carried.

Moved by Cain and seconded by Eriksen to appoint Amber Barclay as the Fire Department representative on a 1-year term. Members voting Aye: Cain, Eriksen, Utemark and Board Chair Jarod Barclay. Amber Barclay abstained. Motion carried.

Moved by Cain and seconded by Eriksen to approve Resolution 24-10 to appoint Amber Barclay as the Village representative to the Dakota County Public Safety Services Agency. Members voting Aye: Eriksen, Utemark, Cain and Board Chair Jarod Barclay. Amber Barclay abstained. Motion carried.

Moved by Erikson and seconded by Cain to approve the signing of the Year-End Certification of Street Superintendent. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Cain and seconded by Eriksen to renew the Village's agreement with Siouxland Humane Society. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Cain and seconded by Utemark to approve the Village's 2 and 10-year water plan. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by Cain to appoint Board Member Amber Barclay to the 150th Anniversary Committee. Members voting Aye: Eriksen, Utemark, Cain and Board Chair Jarod Barclay. Amber Barclay abstained. Motion carried.

No citizens concerns were raised.

Board Reports - The Board asked Elvin Vavra to salt the streets on Friday in anticipation of the impending freezing rain.

The interim clerk was directed to have an updated rental agreement sent to Mindi Jump for rental of the Village Hall on December 24 and 25.

Maintenance Report - Elvin Vavra reported that a gas line was hit at one of the churches in Homer. He further suggested that letters be sent to people who are 60 days or more delinquent on the utility payments. He also advised that there are issues involving the ability to email utility bills.

Clerk Report – The interim clerk briefly reported on his work to date, and thanked the Village Board for giving him the opportunity to assist the village while the search for a permanent clerk/treasurer continues. His final day in the office will be Thursday, December 19th.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by Cain to adjourn. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:37 PM.

Jarod Barclay – Village Board Chair

I, the undersigned Interim 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 December 12, 2024; 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 January 9, 2025.

Interim Village Clerk