

Village of Homer
Regular Public Meeting
March 13, 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, March 13, 2025 at 6:01 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.

Moved by Cain and seconded by A. Barclay to approve the February 13, 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:

2/14/2025	UNIVERSITY OF NE OMAHA	716.00
2/17/2025	ELVIN VAVRA	1,741.25
2/17/2025	BRUCE R UBBINGA	185.63
2/17/2025	JENNIFER ALBRECHT	153.88
2/17/2025	SAMANTHA J JOHNSON	1,611.55
2/17/2025	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	191.83
2/17/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	582.80
2/17/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	136.30
2/17/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	385.55
2/19/2025	UNITED STATE POST OFFICE	9.60
2/21/2025	UNITED STATE POST OFFICE	91.60
2/25/2025	STAPLES	12.49
3/3/2025	UNITED STATE POST OFFICE	1,682.00
3/7/2025	ELVIN VAVRA	1,741.25
3/7/2025	BRUCE R UBBINGA	573.28
3/7/2025	LIAM VAVRA	187.82
3/7/2025	JENNIFER ALBRECHT	134.03
3/7/2025	SAMANTHA J JOHNSON	1,523.56
3/7/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	644.28
3/7/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	150.66
3/7/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	371.78
3/7/2025	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	195.81
3/10/2025	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	330.83
3/10/2025	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	326.84
3/10/2025	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	326.63
3/13/2025	CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES	42.89
3/13/2025	CENTURY LINK	103.65
3/13/2025	DAKOTA COUNTY STAR	222.45
3/13/2025	DAKOTA COUNTY TREASURER	3,093.00
3/13/2025	FYR-TEK	361.96
3/13/2025	GILL HAULING	3,501.81
3/13/2025	J AND J'S PRONTO	237.20
3/13/2025	LUX BROS INC.	1,282.40
3/13/2025	NPPD	979.89
3/13/2025	NPPD	1,236.03
3/13/2025	ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC	1.64
3/13/2025	SHERWIN-WILLIAMS	78.38
3/13/2025	WALTHILL SERVICE LLC	14.90
3/17/2025	BLACK HILLS	837.05

All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Dave Heck with Northeast Nebraska Insurance Agency spoke to the board regarding policy renewal premiums, deductible amounts, coverage, and exclusions.

Moved by Cain and seconded by Eriksen to accept Jonathan Kurtz to the Homer Volunteer Fire Department. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Cain and seconded by A. Barclay to accept the quote from Precision Contracting for repairs to one of the Fire Department overhead doors, with a second remote. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Cain and seconded by Utemark to approve the Homer Volunteer Fire Department liquor license request for the 150th celebration fundraiser on May 3, 2025 and the 150th celebration on June 28, 2025. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Cain and seconded by Eriksen to approve 150th celebration fundraiser DJ allocation of \$400 with an additional \$200 in cash for the cash box at the event. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by Cain to approve a Village contribution to 150th celebration of \$7,200 and transfer of funds from General account to Community account, and approve the \$420 deposit required for the bounce house rental for the 150th celebration. Four members voted Aye, one member voted Nay. Motion carried.

The board discussed obstruction of alleyways, primarily fences, and vacated alleyways. No motion was needed.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by Utemark to amend village office hours to Village Clerk's discretion. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by Cain to approve to have the valves and pipe replaced at lagoons. Elvin will get pricing on materials and possible bids. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by Utemark to approve publishing an invite to bid the 2025 Sanitary Sewer Improvements in the Dakota County Star. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Cain and seconded by A. Barclay to have the sewer mains jetted and vacuumed to the school and camera the sewer main on Front Street All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by Utemark to approve \$2,800 for seeding and ground work at the park. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by Utemark to approve Ordinance No. 563 regarding the Village of Homer regulating the speed of motor vehicles on that portion of United States Highway 75 which is within the corporate limits of the Village of Homer, NE, providing penalties for the violation thereof, and repealing all ordinances in conflict. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried. After Further review- this item will have to be re-voted on, as the ordinance number 563 is already in use. This item will go back on the agenda for April's board meeting.

There were citizen concerns regarding access to the village hall and fire department hall security system as well as a request for additional cameras inside the fire hall. These concerns will be added to next month's agenda. There was another concern regarding the current condition and maintenance of the T-ball field at the village park.

Board Report – Multiple board members have been receiving calls regarding dogs running around town, some dogs acting aggressively towards passersby, and discussion regarding enforcing the village ordinances regarding dogs & cats running at large. There have also been multiple complaints regarding parking on John St. in front of businesses. Elvin is to contact the business owner in regards to parking vehicles in the street. There is a 48 hour parking ordinance that will have to be enforced if business owner does not comply.

The Maintenance Supervisor gave a brief report on a conference he attended this week.

Samantha Johnson gave an update on bank reconciliations, and informed the board that the grant for the splash pad was not awarded. She also informed the board that she has passed the Nebraska Notary Public Examination and is working on a surety bond. Samantha also reminded the board she would be at the Municipal Clerk Institute & Academy the week of March 17-21st.

Moved by Utemark and seconded by A. Barclay at 7:20PM to move in to Executive Session for Elvin Vavra's annual employee review. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by Utemark to adjourn at 7:53PM. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

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 March 13, 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 March 17, 2025.

Samantha Johnson- Village Clerk