

Village of Homer
Regular Public Meeting
May 8, 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, May 8, 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.

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

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

Moved by A. Barclay and seconded by Eriksen to approve the following payables:

4/18/2025	ELVIN VAVRA	1,865.24
4/18/2025	BRUCE R UBBINGA	480.45
4/18/2025	SAMANTHA J JOHNSON	1,511.56
5/2/2025	ELVIN VAVRA	1,865.24
5/2/2025	BRUCE R UBBINGA	873.78
5/2/2025	JENNIFER ALBRECHT	94.32
5/2/2025	SAMANTHA J JOHNSON	1,631.55
5/8/2025	BLACK HILLS	320.54
5/8/2025	CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES	42.89
5/8/2025	CENTURY LINK	105.26
5/8/2025	DAKOTA COUNTY STAR	30.76
5/8/2025	DAKOTA COUNTY STAR	109.71
5/1/2025	DAKOTA COUNTY TREASURER	3,093.00
5/8/2025	DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP	2,040.42
5/8/2025	DP CONTRACTING	1,022.50
5/8/2025	EMC-NORTHEAST NEBRASKA INS AGENCY	3,423.62
5/8/2025	EV CONTRACTING	550.00
4/11/2025	FIRSTNET AT&T	102.98
5/8/2025	FLEET	402.00
5/8/2025	GILL HAULING	3,452.79
5/8/2025	HOMER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT	1,500.00
4/18/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	610.54
4/18/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	142.78
4/18/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	411.93
5/2/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	703.26
5/2/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	164.48
5/2/2025	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	469.68
5/8/2025	INTERSTATE ALL BATTERY CENTER	175.00
5/8/2025	J AND J'S PRONTO	335.16
5/8/2025	LUX BROS INC.	1,259.20
5/8/2025	Loffler Companies Inc	98.83
5/8/2025	MARK ALBENESIUS, INC	28.40
5/8/2025	MENARDS	715.75
5/8/2025	MENARDS	95.44
5/8/2025	MENARDS	109.68

5/8/2025	MENARDS	10.88
5/8/2025	MENARDS	469.51
5/8/2025	MENARDS	202.77
4/20/2025	MICROSOFT 365	129.99
4/18/2025	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	201.11
5/2/2025	NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	226.28
5/8/2025	NEBRASKA PUBLIC HEALTH ENV LAB	477.00
5/8/2025	NPPD	802.40
5/8/2025	ODEYS	1,950.00
5/8/2025	ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC	86.02
5/1/2025	REVEAL	49.00
5/8/2025	ROBERTSON IMPLEMENT COMPANY INC	20.08
5/8/2025	STAN HOUSTON EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC	413.05
5/8/2025	TEAM TROUBLECHASERS GRAPHICS &	315.00
4/28/2025	DESIGN	35.85
5/8/2025	UNITED STATE POST OFFICE	454.10
5/8/2025	USA BLUE BOOK	43.11
5/8/2025	WILMES HARDWARE	3.98
5/8/2025	WILMES HARDWARE	19.26
	ZIEGLER INC.	

All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Troy Launsby addressed the board regarding the village's infrastructure. He expressed concern for the aging pipes and tree roots that are breaking the sewer lines. Troy asked if there is a plan to start replacing the old clay pipes. The board advised that they will discuss the issues and work on putting together a plan.

Nate with Olsson was present for any questions regarding the long range plan for the 1 & 6 year street improvement program. He also advised that Olsson could assist with the sewer issues Troy had previously mentioned. It was then moved by Cain and seconded by Eriksen to approve the adoption of a long-range plan for the one- and six-year street improvement program for the Village of Homer, Nebraska. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Cain and seconded by A. Barclay to approve the fire department office door lock to be changed, the hall access door lock to be switched back to the previous punch code lock, and to update lock codes for entire building entry. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

There were no bids for the 2025 Sanitary Sewer Improvements. Approval to publish an invite to bid this project again will be on the next meeting agenda.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by A. Barclay to approve a Class C/CK Liquor License and Tobacco License for Chilangos R Bar, 21 John St. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried. This was not correctly published and will require a special meeting to approve.

The discussion and possible motion to approve the purchase of a backup generator for the village office and fire hall was tabled.

The Maintenance Supervisor is to obtain pricing on a few different security camera options in regard to upgrading the trail cameras to surveillance cameras at the village maintenance shop/dump and will be discussed again at the next regular board meeting.

Discussion regarding the bill for customer sewer backup, resulting in jetting the sewer lines was held. It was decided that the customer should turn a claim in to their insurance company and let the insurance companies handle it.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by Cain to approve extending the backstop at the ballfield. The net replacement was tabled and will be discussed at the next regular board meeting and be accounted for in next year's budget. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Cain and seconded by J. Barclay to allow Constructors to stockpile milling for the shoulder resurfacing of Hwy 77. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by Cain to close John Street from 1st street to 2nd street and part of 2nd street by the Fire Hall on Friday, June 27th and Saturday, June 28th for the 150th Celebration festivities. A. Barclay abstained from the vote. All other members voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by A. Barclay and seconded by Eriksen to approve vehicle monitoring and security on village owned vehicles and equipment pending price approval to be determined at the June meeting. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

The board reviewed and discussed possibly amending Article 5 Section 2 505- regarding rabbits and chickens. The village clerk will research other town ordinances regarding rabbits and chickens and then work with the attorney on amendments.

Moved by Utemark and seconded by Eriksen to move the statutory rules requiring reading on three different days be suspended for Ordinance No. 598 and to introduce Ordinance No. 598 to prohibit illegal dumping within the village of Homer, NE and provide penalties for the violation thereof. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by Utemark to have the 48 hour parking ordinance amended to reflect "no overnight parking" on John Street from Front Street to 2nd Street and to post parking signs for the businesses along John Street in those before mentioned blocks. A. Barclay abstained from the vote. All other members voted Aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Eriksen and seconded by A. Barclay to eliminate comp time. Moving forward, all overtime will be paid out. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

There were no citizen concerns.

Board Report –There was a vehicle damaged during the last snow storm, due to the village plow pushing snow into the residents driveway.

The maintenance supervisor had nothing to report.

The clerk reported on bank reconciliation, trouble with the internet not working, and notified the board of additional time off needed due to a family matter.

Moved by A. Barclay and seconded by Eriksen at 7:32PM 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 Eriksen to adjourn at 8:14PM. 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 April 10, 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 May 14, 2025.

Samantha Johnson- Village Clerk