

**Village of Bellwood
Meeting Minutes ~ February 1st, 2021**

The Village of Bellwood Board of Trustees held its regular meeting on February 1st, 2021 at the Village Auditorium. Mayor Joyce Napier, called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M. with board members Connie Scholz, Jeremy Junck, Scott Romshek, and Lee Nickolite in attendance. Village employees Jennifer Brown, Paul Nickolite, and Ray Sueper were also present.

The chairman stated that the open meetings law is in effect.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

The minutes of the January 4th meeting were up for approval. Chairwoman Napier motioned to approve the minutes; Trustee Scholz seconded. A roll call vote was taken, this motion passed with all in favor.

The December receipts and bills were read by Clerk Brown at 7:04 p.m. Chairwoman Napier proposed remitting the BPPD bill on the due date of the 31st of each month. All board members agreed, and it was approved. Co-Chair Romshek motioned to approve the bills as read, Trustee Junck seconded. A roll call vote was taken, this motion passed with all in favor.

Bills and prepaid bills were as follows:

Jan-21		
Vendor	Amount	Check #
Unites States Treasurer - Payroll Liabilities	\$2,658.00	E-Pay
City Truck Payment	\$525.93	E-Pay
Loan Transfer	\$696.95	E-Pay
Bellwood Ampride	\$566.28	15247
Butler County Treasurers Office	\$1,000.00	15248
Butler County Public Power	\$5,838.70	15249
Butler County Welding	\$36.00	15250
Card Services	\$504.69	15251
D Sign Shop	\$45.00	15252
Frontier Co-Op	\$361.33	15253
Immense Impact	\$848.45	15254
Jackson Services	\$348.79	15255
Kelly Supply	\$296.61	15256
Nebraska Health Environmental Lab	\$15.00	15258
Obrist & Co	\$620.00	15259
One Call Concepts	\$14.19	15260
Principal Life Insurance	\$150.00	25261
Verizon Wireless	\$82.63	15262
Fremont Sanitation	\$145.00	15263
Windstream	\$347.35	15264
	\$15,100.90	

Butler County Sheriff's Department:

Sheriff Dion was unable to attend the meeting due to a scheduling conflict. Ray Sueper stated that he is continuing to work in conjunction with the Butler County Sheriff's department to monitor the nuisances in the Village as there is not much overlap.

Complaint Forms – None

Tree Board – No report

Auditorium Project – No Report

Planning and Zoning

Ray Sueper presented the building inspectors report. He noted that the McDonald residence was fined last month for a vehicle with no doors. David Kaminski is selling his downtown property and was not aware of anyone purchasing the taxes on the building and is interested in offers of 20k which include the parking lot. Chairwoman Napier asked about the Meisters cleanup. He indicated to Ray that they still have an employee working on it and that they have a roll off as they can get to it. Chairwoman Napier said that they are more concerned about the clean up on the outside of the property. The board suggested that he spruce up the property with the removal of inoperable equipment, and a general clean up.

The proposed annexation of the Frontier co-op was discussed as representatives brought questions to the table regarding possible expansion and zoning with emphasis on the hazardous materials that the co-op stores. Representatives also stated that the current need for additional space would most likely be grain storage or liquid anhydrous ammonia. Co-op representatives understand protocol and procedures for future additions as well as the annexation process. The next steps include planning and zoning, the board is holding a decision until more information is gathered.

Water Treatment Center

Data report handed out to board members.

Utilities Report: No Report

Backroads Pub

Property Update – Renovation project is complete, health inspection passed, and owner Jimmy Buell updated proposed business hours. Mr. Buell said that they will have a soft opening on Tuesday the 2nd with regular business hours going forward Wednesday the 3rd of February. The board will vote on the permanent liquor license at the March board meeting.

Planning Commission – The planning commission is short on board members. Co-Chair Romshek proposed the idea of merging the Tree Board and the Planning and Zoning Board. Ray Sueper said that he will contact the chairpersons of each board and report back.

Other business –

The board is sending out bids to Topkote and Road guy for the process of coating roads. Bids are to be in by the March 1st, 2021 meeting and a determination will be made then.

Signing of the new Butler Public Power District contract as the motion passed at the November 2020 meeting.

Baseball fields – Teams are contacting the Village about use of the fields. The Board approved the use of the field for Wednesday evening practices for Jason Romshek's team.

Chairwoman Napier and Clerk Brown are reviewing audit information and will submit the approved documentation once the review is complete.

Co-Chair Romshek is interested in having a bid from JEO to pave Pioneer street. It was decided that Attorney Wollmer should investigate this and gather more information to report back to the board regarding a levy, bond, and public ballot.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. motioned by Co-Chair Romshek, seconded by Trustee Scholz. Roll call vote, all in favor.

Next Board Meeting will be Monday, March 1st, at 7:00 p.m.

Village Clerk,
Jennifer Brown