

VILLAGE OF WILCOX
MINUTES
OCTOBER 8, 2024

The Village of Wilcox Board of Trustees met in regular session on October 8, 2024. Notices of the meeting were posted at the Wilcox Town Hall, Cornerstone Bank, Post Office and High Street Insurance. Notices and agendas were mailed to each member of the Village Board.

Chairman Gardels called the meeting to order and noted the Open Meetings Act. Trustees present: Gardels, Norman, Nash, Johnson and Adam. Others in attendance: D. Walker, A. Henery, D. Johnson, D. Sherman, E. Carpenter. J. Carpenter.

The minutes of the September 10, 2024 meeting were read and approved as read. The Treasurer’s report was reviewed. Motion by Nash with second by Adam to approve the Treasurer’s report. Motion carried with all members voting in favor.

The following claims were presented for payment:

Sydicate	84.42	Verizon	183.30
Great Plains Com	241.06	NE Dept of Rev (quarterly)	759.70
One-Call Concepts	4.00	DWS&D	180.00
Dana F. Cole	900.00	M. Ferree	28.14
CPI	643.16	NPPD	3084.85
Svoboda ACE	74.89	Wilcox Utilities	771.57
Black Hills	80.18	NE Public Health Env. Lab	442.00
Central States Lab	1796.60	Leading Edge Printing	580.37
SPPD	2232.10	NPPD	22,249.47
LARM	25,277.00	City of Holdrege	70.08
SCS	4348.95	Vestis	117.50
W. Johnson	140.00	Visa	397.75
SPPD	717.06	Central Dist. Health Dept	218.00
Town & Country	39.37	Council	175.00
Salaries	5694.27	EFTPS	1584.64
NYLife	1023.76	NE Dept Rev (sales tax)	1049.76
Transfers	1532.77		
USDA Loan 91-02	31,982.00		
USDA Loan 91-04	8,449.00		
USDA Loan 91-06	1,686.00		

Motion to approve all claims for payment was made by Johnson with second by Norman. Motion carried with all members voting in favor.

The board reviewed all utility accounts.

Nuisance properties were reviewed. The board was updated on the results of the court case involving 201 S. Main St. property. The board reviewed letters sent to those regarding tall weeds.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Carpenter were present to discuss their two dogs that remain in compliance with our village code, as well as, to submit their support dog registration to the Village. A. Henery and D. Johnson were present to inform the board of an incident that took place on October 3, 2024. Three dogs from the residence of 202 E. Detroit St. attacked and killed several of the Henery's chickens and destroyed property. Sherrif was called and spoke to the owners of the dogs. These dogs are not currently licensed. D. Sherman was also present, as he lives next door to these dogs. Pictures have been submitted as well as door-cam video. As these dogs are determined to be dangerous, a case will be filed in court regarding this incident. Also establishing an ordinance limiting the number of dogs per residence will be considered at the November 12, 2024 meeting. D. Sherman also had questions regarding the Wilcox Board of Health.

The board reviewed the price of UBHUB from gWorks that we will need to upgrade to the new cloud based meter reading system. The cost to upgrade utility billing is \$3000.00 annually. Costs for onboarding and support have been waived as we are gWorks customers. Motion by Adam with second by Nash to approve and sign the agreement to purchase UBHUB from gWorks.

In other discussion, M. Ferree shared various fee schedule examples other villages have and would like to update our fee schedule, as well as, our building permit application.

B. Johnson reported that a water leak was repaired and a sewer back up was taken care of this week.

Trustee Norman discussed location of county building near the Wilcox West Addition. Adam asked if money could be transferred to CRA to purchase signage to advertise our West Addition lots.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST: _____

Melinda Ferree
Village Clerk

APPROVED: _____

Brad Gardels, Chairman
Wilcox Village Board of Trustees