

#### Village of Staplehurst

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# **VILLAGE OF STAPLEHURST**

# **MEETING MINUTES, August 26th, 2025**

The Village Board of Trustees met in regular session on August 26th, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the Staplehurst Village Hall. Notice of this meeting was given in advance by posting in three designated places.

# **Roll Call:**

Present: Chairperson Frank, Trustees Stava, Wilken

Absent: Trustee Benedict, Hans

Chairperson Frank called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and announced that the Open Meetings Act is posted on the north wall of the meeting room for public review.

# **Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Wilken, seconded by Stava, to approve the July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025 meeting minutes. All in favor: Stava, Wilken, Frank.

Motion by Stava, seconded by Wilken, to approve the July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes. All in favor: Stava, Wilken, Frank.

# **Approval of Village Claims**

The village approved claims totaling \$41,441.62 for municipal expenses and services. Payments included Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company \$59.43, Midwest Laboratories Inc \$141.85, Black Hills Energy \$156.73, Employers Mutual Casualty Company \$1,376.20, Sargent Drilling \$29,715.59, Svehla Law Offices P.C. \$390.00, Greg Hampton \$100.00, Nebraska Public Health Environmental Lab \$100.00, Constellation NewEnergy-Gas \$26.05, Nebraska Public Health Environmental Lab \$17.00, Norris Public Power District \$1,600.45, Staples \$258.26, Walmart \$67.77, Walmart \$73.29, Bobbi McVey-Blath \$1,001.00, Village Payroll \$3,242.00, and Wayne Regnier \$1,500.00. These expenditures covered essential village operations including utilities, drilling services, legal fees, telecommunications, laboratory testing, office supplies, payroll, and administrative costs.

Motion by Stava, seconded by Wilken, to approve the Village claims. All in favor: Wilken, Frank, Stava

# **Fire Department Report**

The Fire Department reported 3 rescue calls and 0 fire calls.

#### **Fire Department Claims**

The Fire Department approved claims totaling \$170.13 for operational expenses and equipment. Payments included Fast Mart \$156.79, PacnSave \$13.34

Motion by Hans, second by Benedict, all in favor; Stave, Frank, Wilken

# **Sheriff's Department Report**

The board reviewed the report from Julu, no action needed.

# **Maintenance Report**

Swing set at park fixed, cutting weeds and will be removing tree at ballpark, met with Eric Cox DWEE and worked on water certification in Dec. Luebbe to review sewer plan repair. Lead template to be completed and mailed to residents with Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> billing. 4 bids have been requested for concrete work in front of 340 A street, request to start looking for a new maintenance pickup, regular maintenance on all equipment will be scheduled, NPPD to remove substation, a request to jet pipes in two main locations in town.

# **Chair Report**

Street Fund: Once received all bids the board will vote on costs to repair certain streets within town.

# **Clerk Report**

Wayne, Chris and Bobbi to work with Miller & Associates to check on any leftover funds that can be used for the Public Water Grant, estimates will need to be provided by the Sept. 1 deadline.

Miller & Associates have been working the EPA, Agency letters sent 8/26/25.

The board will review the proposed Trustee Responsibility list and determine who will be responsible for key focus areas within the village.

One Courtesy clean-up letter will be sent.

Attorney will be contacted to pursue next step with RV Occupancy (Ordinance 4-506)

Fire Department received operating expenses for rural fire from the county in the amount of \$68,217.09 Municipal Annual Certification for Public Road Resolution that Chair Frank can sign: motion made by Stava, seconded by Wilken; all approved, Stava, Wilken, Frank Municipal Annual Certification for Compliance: approved by Stave, seconded by Wilken, all approved Stava, Wilken, Frank GBE provided the village with it's recommendation for the Fiscal Year Budget, the board decided to have a special meeting to determine % of levy and the impact to property taxes.

#### **Residents Comments:**

Mr. Castle gave a special thank you to the board for taking action on the village clean-up requests. It also mentioned the concern of heavy trucks on our streets.

### **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Stava, seconded by Wilken. All in favor: Wilken, Frank, Stava. Meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Bobbi McVey-Blath Village Clerk