



**Village of Staplehurst**

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## VILLAGE OF STAPLEHURST

### MEETING MINUTES, July 29th, 2025

The Village Board of Trustees met in regular session on July 29th, 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 Benedict, Wilken, Hans

Absent: Trustee Stava

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 Benedict, to approve the June 24th, 2025 meeting minutes. All in favor: Hans, Benedict, Wilken, Frank.

#### Approval of Village Claims

The village approved claims totaling \$46,249.34 for municipal expenses and services. Payments included Beaver Hardware \$54.67, One Call Concepts Inc \$6.56, Midwest Laboratories Inc \$331.42, Pabian Partners Inc \$647.50, Constellation NewEnergy-Gas \$17.01, Department of the Treasury-IRS \$3,030.09, Sloup Mowing LLC \$330.00, Waste Connections of Nebraska \$140.11, Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company \$77.93, Employers Mutual Casualty Company \$1,376.20, Constellation NewEnergy-Gas \$16.24, Black Hills Energy \$152.36, Seward County Independent \$143.61, Constellation NewEnergy-Gas \$15.69, Svehla Law Offices P.C. \$4,774.67, Miller & Associates \$600.00, Nebraska Public Health Environmental Lab \$17.00, Staplehurst Fire Department \$9,419.69, Staplehurst Fire Department \$20,000.00, Norris Public Power District \$1,668.21, Payroll \$3,273.88, and Post Office \$153.30..

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

#### Berner Building Permit:

Building will not impede manhole and will be a few feet from alley.

Motion to approve permit by Benedict, second Hans, all in favor; Frank, Wilken, Hans, Benedict

#### Fire Department Report

The Fire Department reported 6 rescue calls and 1 fire call. They are organizing a fun run for November 1<sup>st</sup> which changed from Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>.

#### Fire Department Claims

The Fire Department approved claims totaling \$9,662.00 for operational expenses and equipment. Payments included Fast Mart \$84.95, Matheson \$39.58, NAPA Auto Parts \$1,867.57, Shaffer Communications \$2,723.28, Nebraska Volunteer Fire Association \$540.00, and Fyr Tek \$4,406.62.

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

#### Sheriff's Department Report

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

#### Maintenance Report

Trees need to be cut around the sewer plant, the board will drive around town to check on other areas to be cut/trimmed and will gets bids and will table until Sept. meeting.

#### Chair Report

Street Fund: Getting bids on maintenance for street repair.

Laptop: Currently working on to see if it will work for Maintenance personnel.

Village Clean-Up: All approved that the properties are looking good and will hold off on future letters, one property will continue to be monitored by the attorney.

#### Clerk Report

The board approved a policy allowing a single board member to authorize contractor expenses under \$200 to ensure timely resolution of urgent maintenance issues.

#### Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Benedict, seconded by Hans. All in favor: Wilken, Frank, Benedict, Hans. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bobbi McVey-Blath  
Village Clerk