

# VILLAGE OF UNION

## MEETING MINUTES

### MARCH 2, 2004

The Union Village Board met in regular session on March 3, 2004 at 7:04 pm at the firehouse. On roll call: Chmn Hoback, Ayres, Trull & Keene. Absent was Meredith & Allan Keene. Angie Slattery, representing Reinsch & Slattery, arrived at 7:23 pm was also present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved with the motion made by Keene & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ayres, Carried.

Claims & Accounts were presented separately and after consideration, all were allowed on motion made by Keene & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ayres. Carried.

#### Claims & Accounts March 2, 2004

NPPD	FIREBARN*	\$52.19	
	AREA LIGHT RENTAL	\$8.76	
	BALLFIELD**	\$35.26	
	WATER PUMP	\$343.66	
	N. SEWER PUMP	\$54.22	
	FIREBARN (TOWN BLDG)	\$72.50	
	NEW TOWER (WATER)	\$15.79	
	TRAFFIC LIGHT	\$15.79	
	AREA LIGHT RENTAL	\$7.03	
	STREETLIGHTS	\$371.20	
	WACONDA WELDING	\$1,457.10	VILLAGE TRUCK/SNOW PLOW
	STATE OF NE HHS	\$21.00	WATER TESTS
	WACONDA WELDING	\$288.91	1/2 BILLED TO URFD
	ALLIED REFUSE	\$42.50	
	GREAT PLAINS ONE-CALL	\$1.00	DIGGER'S HOTLINE
	ALLTEL OFFICE	\$48.61	
	ALLTEL FIRE	\$75.46	
	DEB MCWHA	\$415.58	SALARY 450.00
	ALLAN KEENE	\$1,246.46	SALARY \$1500.00
	REINSCH & SLATTERY	\$112.80	
	JOHNSON'S GAS N GO		VILLAGE TRUCK
	MIDWEST LABS	\$38.00	INFLUENT TEST

The Park Committee met on February 24, 2004 at the fire station. They set up the agenda for the upcoming year. A discussion about the annual Community picnic resulted in changing the picnic from the last Saturday in July to August 28 to hopefully avoid the extreme heat. The fundraisers raised \$57.00 from the photos with Santa, \$56.00 from selling t-shirts and \$157.00 from Current products. Next meeting is April 27<sup>th</sup>.

Allan's report. The water usage was 1,050,000 gallons and the sewer pumps ran for 103.2 hours. All water samples were good. The brush pile was burned.

WWTF update. ME Collins fired Ron Mockelman from Mockelman Grading due to poor work. The rock has been put around the lagoon and they are still on schedule.

The Street Resolution was approved and chairman & clerk were authorized to sign on motion made by Ayres & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trull. Dave Taladay, Street Superintendent, will check on repair work needed on Birch & Ash Drives. We also discussed with Taladay the possibility of expanding the fire station building to make a larger community office area.

The disinfection proposal from Utilities Inc. is tabled until further notice on motion made by Keene & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trull.

Approve renewal of insurance from Miller-Monroe to cover Village properties and authorized chairman to sign on motion made by Keene & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trull.

Several alleys in the village need to have rock added. The cost is approximately \$240 per truckload. Approve up to five loads of 3" clean rock on motion made by Trull & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Keene.

The problem with the dog (Pooh) living at Jeff Ruby's place has been taken care of. According to Mr. Ruby, Pooh is living in Sydney, Iowa. Angie suggests sending a letter to the clerk to inform her/him of possible dangers.

A motion to replace the large flag (10' x 15') flying on the pole in front of the fire station was made by Keene & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trull. Deb will order two at a cost of \$238.00 each as Allan Keene has offered to purchase one of them.

Joe Solomon, County Commissioner, attended the meeting to get an idea of the problems we discuss at the board meetings. We told him that some of our problems are animal control and law enforcement. Mr. Solomon said he would check into these and get back to us.

Abandoned cars were discussed and a final notice giving the homeowners 10 days will be sent. Several properties needing cleanup were discussed. The County Building Inspector will be contacted to inspect the exteriors and the clerk will send letters requesting cleanup and/or response as to what are the plans for their properties. Alex Braszko will contact the railroad to get a point of contact so that they can get that area cleaned up as well. Elmer Henderson asked about the upkeep of lagoon area, town work & water shutoffs. The village is aware that several shutoffs need to be repaired and we have discussed repairing them all as one project. As for the other maintenance items, Allan Keene, our Maintenance Supt, was not able to attend this meeting. Will discuss with him if he needs help or will be able to handle this additional workload alone.

Began executive session at 8:35 p.m.

Motion to adjourn executive session at 8:45 p.m. made by Keene & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ayres.

Motion to adjourn at 8:55 pm was made by Ayres & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Keene.

Next board meeting to be held April 6, 2004 at 7:00 pm.