

**VILLAGE OF UNION
MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 9, 2006**

The Union Village Board met in regular session on August 9, 2006. The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. at the ALA hall. On roll call: Chmn Meredith, Brown & Hobscheidt. Bowen & Wolfe were absent. Angela Slattery, legal council, was also present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved with a motion made by Brown & 2nd by Hobscheidt. Trustee votes are as follows; Meredith-Aye, Brown-Aye, Hobscheidt-Aye. Bowen & Wolfe were absent. Approved by roll call.

Minutes of the Special Meeting held on July 24, 2006 at 7:25 p.m. at the fire station were approved on a motion made by Hobscheidt & 2nd by Brown. Trustee votes are as follows; Meredith-Aye, Brown-Aye, Hobscheidt-Aye. Bowen & Wolfe were absent. Approved by roll call.

Claims & Accounts were presented separately. After consideration, all were allowed on a motion made by Hobscheidt & 2nd by Brown. Trustee votes are as follows; Meredith-Aye, Brown-Aye, Hobscheidt-Aye. Bowen & Wolfe were absent. Approved by roll call.

**CLAIMS & ACCOUNTS
AUGUST 9, 2006**

NPPD	FIREBARN*	\$78.79	
	AREA LIGHT RENTAL	\$7.03	
	BALLFIELD**	\$35.26	
	WATER PUMP	\$516.94	
FIREBARN (TOWN BLDG)		\$75.06	
NEW TOWER (WATER)		\$23.91	
	TRAFFIC LIGHT	\$15.79	
	AREA LIGHT RENTAL	\$8.76	
	STREETLIGHTS	\$371.20	
	NEW SEWER PUMP	\$45.48	
	ALA HALL	\$28.33	
	CABOOSE	\$16.66	
REINSCH & SLATTERY		\$94.00	
	STATE OF NE HHS	\$16.00	WATER TESTS
	ALLIED REFUSE	\$60.04	

GREAT PLAINS ONE-CALL	\$3.03	
ALLTEL OFFICE	\$52.02	
ALLTEL FIRE	\$76.62	
DEB MCWHA	\$415.58	
ALLAN KEENE	\$1,246.46	
JOHNSON'S GAS N GO		
THE JOURNAL	\$70.97	Meeting Ad & Meeting Minutes
SEND D	\$250.00	Membership dues July 2006-June 2007
WACONDA WELDING & AUTO	\$52.50	
LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES	\$234.00	Utilities/Public Works Membership
	\$223.00	Clerk/Treasurer Dues
JIM LORING	\$200.00	Temp Help 20 hours @ \$10.00 per hour
BILL BESCHEINEN	\$200.00	Substituted for Al

Correspondence included approval from the National Historical Society on the application to place the Union Jail on the registry of historical sight. Many thanks to Alex Braszko for taking on this project.

Allan's report. The water usage was 1,217,000 gallons. The sewer pump ran for 61 hours. The project to connect the village sewer to the property located at 4th & C Streets is almost complete. Terry McClane asked if the old sewer line would be blocked when the new line is run. Al confirmed that it would. Al has been working on removing the trees from the lagoon area. He needs to get brush killer to use on the sidewalks, streets & lagoon areas.

Discussed the water tower maintenance program submitted by Utilities Services, Inc. with John Snodgrass. He explained how the program works & that we would not need the cathodic protection. Hobscheidt asked that we check some of their references so the decision about the contract can be made at the next board meeting.

Briefly discussed a letter received from Tom Woodard. He had complained about some dogs in the village & the ordinances about dog kennels. Woodard also made statements about homes destroyed by fire not being rebuilt. It was explained that one of the homes are in the process of being rebuilt as we speak, one lot will be retained by the owner to build on when they are done with their military obligations. Chmn Meredith will send him back a response to each of his complaints.

Fire & Rescue Report. Rob Kennedy reported that they responded to 2 fires, both grass fires. They are sending letters to all volunteers to verify their

status on the departments. They responded to 2 rescue calls. The training class to be sure all fire fighters knew how to properly hookup to the fire hydrants went well. They had a good turnout for the pancake feed they held for July 4th. The next one is scheduled for Sept 4 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Took the old fire truck to the parade in Murray & it went great. They are planning to drive it in the Apple Jack Festival Parade in Sept. Hobscheidt fixed one of the problems with the ambulance but will have Waconda Welding & Auto Repair check out the rest of the wiring.

The Union Girls Softball Team got 1st place. A suggestion was made to ask them to attend the next board meeting.

We are still working on the ordinances & will hopefully have them done soon.

Motion to leave regular session at 7:45 p.m. was made by Wolfe & 2nd by Bowen. Trustee votes are as follows: Meredith – Aye, Wolfe – Aye, Bowen – Aye, & Hobscheidt – Aye. Brown was absent.

Motion to enter executive session at 7:45 p.m. was made by Wolfe & 2nd by Bowen. Trustee votes are as follows: Meredith – Aye, Wolfe – Aye, Bowen – Aye & Hobscheidt – Aye. Brown was absent.

Motion to exit executive session at 8:00 p.m. was made by Bowen & 2nd by Wolfe. Trustee votes are as follows: Meredith – Aye, Wolfe – Aye, Bowen – Aye & Hobscheidt – Aye. Brown was absent.

Motion to re-enter regular session at 8:04 p.m. was by Bowen & 2nd by Wolfe. Trustee votes are as follows: Meredith – Aye, Wolfe – Aye, Bowen – Aye, & Hobscheidt – Aye. Brown was absent.

Motion to hire Jim Loring as temporary help to read the water meters & provide assistance to Al when needed at a rate of \$10.00 per hour not to exceed 40 hours per month, was made by Wolfe & 2nd by Bowen. Trustee votes are as follows: Meredith – Aye, Wolfe – Aye, Bowen – Aye, & Hobscheidt – Aye. Brown was absent. Clerk will be notices on the water/sewer bills to notify all residents who & when the meters will be read. Also clerk will give Loring letters to hand out to each homeowner in case they miss the notices on their bills. Board members discussed granting amnesty to village residents since it has been so long since the meters were

read some might end up with a huge water bill. Motion to grant amnesty to homeowners for previous water usage was made by Wolfe & 2nd by Bowen. Trustee votes are as follows: Meredith – Aye, Wolfe – Aye, Bowen – Aye, & Hobscheidt – Aye. Brown was absent.

At the next board meeting, chairman will nominate new health board members.

Motion to adjourn at 8:16 p.m. was made by Bowen & 2nd by Wolfe. Trustee votes are as follows; Meredith – Aye, Wolfe – Aye, Bowen – Aye, & Hobscheidt – Aye. Brown was absent. Motion approved by roll call.

Next board meeting to be held August 9, 2006 at 7:00 pm at the ALA Hall.