

MINUTE RECORD
VILLAGE OF FIRTH
SPECIAL MEETING
August 18, 2020

A special meeting of the Chairman and Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Firth, Nebraska was convened in open and public session on the **18th day of August 2020** in the Village Office at the Firth Community Center. Normal notification procedures were observed. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 7:00pm and the following members were present: Dave Hobelman, Craig Middle, Brian Flood, Jason Cooper, and Amanda Eisenhauer. Chairman Hobelman presided and the Village Clerk recorded the minutes. The Clerk noted the location of the Open Meetings Act posted in the meeting room for public viewing. Social distancing was observed.

It was moved by Brian Flood, seconded by Amanda Eisenhauer to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote: 5 Yeas, no Nays. Motion carried.

The current Firth recycle collection site has been provided through an interlocal agreement with the City of Lincoln Solid Waste Management Department. In late June, the Board was notified that all recycle collection sites in the county and 15 out of the 19 sites in Lincoln will be closing by the end of the year. The Village has conferred with other municipalities in the county and investigated costs of servicing the collection site independently.

Seth Harms from Capital City Refuse was present for a discussion on the future of recycling in Firth. After the discussion, the Board agreed that it would not be financially feasible to keep the recycle collection site open. The servicing costs would be a burden. It was agreed to ask the Solid Waste Management Department to keep the Firth site open through October 31, 2020.

Residents will be able to take their recyclables to the four sites in Lincoln.

Capital City Refuse has agreed to start a recycling route in Firth. Curbside pickup will be available from Capital City Refuse for a \$15 monthly fee. A recycle tote will be provided for each address and is included in the monthly fee.

A letter outlining the recycling issue, the October 31 collection site closing, and option of curbside pickup will be sent to all Firth residents.

It was moved by Brian Flood, seconded by Jason Cooper, to accept the \$15,500.00 bid from Prange Construction for dirt work on Everett street ditches to ensure storm drainage flows correctly. Roll call vote: 5 Yeas, no Nays. Motion carried.

The Board discussed a complaint from a resident about grass being blown in the streets from mowing.

Dave Hobelman closed the regular meeting. The Board went into executive session to discuss wages for the coming fiscal year.

Meeting adjourned.

Jill A. Hoefler, Village Clerk

David L. Hobelman, Board Chairman