

MINUTE RECORD
VILLAGE OF FIRTH
REGULAR MEETING
December 2, 2025

The regular meeting of the Chairman and Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Firth, Nebraska was convened in open and public session on the **2nd day of December 2025** at the Firth Community Center. Normal notification procedures were observed. The meeting was called to order by the Board Chairman at 7:00pm. The following members were present: Todd Carlson, Jason Cooper, Tina Booton, Craig Middle and Samantha Henderson. The Village Clerk recorded the minutes. The Clerk noted that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was available in the room for review.

It was moved by Jason Cooper, seconded by Samantha Henderson, to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote: 5 Yeas (T. Carlson, J. Cooper, C. Middle, T. Booton, S. Henderson.) No Nays. Motion carried.

It was moved by Craig Middle, seconded by Samantha Henderson, to approve the November 4, 2025, regular meeting minutes. Roll call vote: 5 Yeas (T. Carlson, J. Cooper, C. Middle, T. Booton, S. Henderson.) No Nays. Motion carried.

The Treasurer presented the November 2025 financial report. It was moved by Jason Cooper, seconded by Samantha Henderson, to approve the November financial report as presented and to approve the following transfers:

\$29,610.95 to Bond A account

\$2,956.77 to Bond B account

\$20,000 from ACH account to General Account

Roll call vote: 5 Yeas (T. Carlson, J. Cooper, C. Middle, T. Booton, S. Henderson.) No Nays. Motion carried.

Current Claims were read. It was moved by Tina Booton, seconded by Craig Middle, to approve current claims (including the regular monthly Norris Public Power bill that will be received after the meeting.) Roll call vote: 5 Yeas (T. Carlson, J. Cooper, C. Middle, T. Booton, S. Henderson.) No Nays. Motion carried.

Current Month Claims

Salaries	10,127.92
Payroll Taxes	676.51
Simple IRA Employer Match	297.84
Health Ins and cell phone stipends	600.00
Better Backyards	1,075.00
Black Hills Energy	191.01
Blue Cross Blue Shield – village portion premium	783.94
Capital City Refuse – garbage service	4,713.75
CEDE & CO – annual Flood Control Bond pymt	26,674.50
Dave Hobelman – sexton	185.26
Farmers’ Cooperative – fuel	291.08
Firespring – website host	117.00
First Concord Benefits Group LLC	200.00
First National Bank of Omaha – misc supplies	485.96
Guardian Life – employee benefits	63.09
HBE Becker Meyer Love LLP – Audit Expenses	4,700.00
Lovell Excavating LLC	450.00
McNally Law Office – legal counsel	340.00
Microsoft Office 365 - software	17.41
NDWEE Fiscal Services	2,613.95
Nebraska Public Health Environmental Lab -testing	957.00
Norris Public Power - electricity	1,823.41
Norris School District -	300.00
Raymaker & Asso, Inc – cemetery software support	346.50
Sam’s Club – QuickBooks annual subscription	1,160.50
Voice News - publications	183.79
Windstream – com ctr and maintenance bldg	424.53
FACET Expense - reimbursements	861.01
Total	60,660.96

PUBLIC COMMENT Period – The Board Chair stated that no Board dialog or action can be taken.

- Sarah Lefferdink gave a FACET update on the 12/6 Old Fashioned Christmas event coming up – she shared the donations amount received and the current expenses.

Dave Hansmeyer was absent. Todd Carlson gave the monthly maintenance report.

- No water/sewer issues to note
- No public parking at the old fire barn -

It was moved by Jason Cooper, seconded by Samantha Henderson to approve Resolution #2025-12-1 2026 Appointments. Roll call vote: 5 Yeas (T. Carlson, J. Cooper, C. Middle, T. Booton, S. Henderson.) No Nays. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-12-1

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A VILLAGE CLERK, TREASURER, VILLAGE ATTORNEY, VILLAGE ACCOUNTANT, VILLAGE ENGINEER, VILLAGE STREET SUPERINTENDENT, VILLAGE DEPOSITORIES, AND OFFICIAL PUBLICATIONS for JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHAIRMAN AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF FIRTH, NEBRASKA:

- Jill Hoefler is appointed as the Village Clerk
- Mike Hoefler is appointed as the Village Treasurer
- Joe McNally, McNally Law Firm is appointed as the Village Attorney
- HBE., LLP is appointed as the Village Accountant
- Olsson, Inc is appointed as the Village Engineer
- Brian Friedrichsen, Olsson, is appointed as the Village Street Superintendent
Class A Street Superintendent License Number S-1704
Engineering License Number E-17653
- Farmers & Merchants Bank, First State Bank Nebraska and NPAIT are appointed as the official depository institutions
- The Voice News is designated as the official publication.
- Posting locations for purposes of publication shall be the Firth Community Center, Firth Post Office, and Sadies/Papa D's

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 2nd DAY OF December 2025.

It was moved by Craig Middle, seconded by Tina Booton to approve Resolution #2025-12-2 officially approving the 2026 1&6 Year Street Plan. Roll call vote: 5 Yeas (T. Carlson, J. Cooper, C. Middle, T. Booton, S. Henderson.) No Nays. Motion carried.

It was moved by Tina Booton, seconded by Samantha Henderson, to approve the Olsson Master Agreement Work Order #12 for General Engineering Consulting Services for 2026. Roll call vote: 5 Yeas (T. Carlson, J. Cooper, C. Middle, T. Booton, S. Henderson.) No Nays. Motion carried.

It was moved by Samantha Henderson, seconded by Tina Booton, to approve the Olsson Master Agreement Work Order #13 for 2026 Street Superintendent Services. Roll call vote: 5 Yeas (T. Carlson, J. Cooper, C. Middle, T. Booton, S. Henderson.) No Nays. Motion carried.

There was a discussion regarding the reported current feral cat issue. Several ideas for a possible ordinance regulating the feeding of feral animals in town were discussed.

There was a brief discussion regarding recent vandalism in town.

It was moved by Craig Middle, seconded by Jason Cooper to have Village maintenance get some quotes for the clean out and fencing of the brush dump area. Roll call vote: 5 Yeas (T. Carlson, J. Cooper, C. Middle, T. Booton, S. Henderson.) No Nays. Motion carried.

It was moved by Jason Cooper, seconded by Samantha Henderson to have the clerk send official nuisance abatement notices to properties with a current nuisance violation and to extend the 10-day period listed in the code to go until January 5, 2026 due to the Christmas and New Years holidays. Roll call vote: 5 Yeas (T. Carlson, J. Cooper, C. Middle, T. Booton, S. Henderson.) No Nays. Motion carried.

Committee Reports were given.

Water – the Board agreed that the Maintenance Dept could get quotes for a water valve exerciser for the next meeting.

Sewer – nothing

Streets – pot holes on Abraham and Everett were briefly discussed – maintenance will fill with rock

It was noted that the speed limit sign by the Fire Station is no longer reflective.

Parks – Snow removal for the park sidewalk was discussed – the village attorney will be asked about Village obligation to clear the Park sidewalk.

Cemetery – Dave Hobelman would like to come to a future meeting to discuss things that need done at the cemetery.

8:13pm: Meeting adjourned.

Todd Carlson – Board Chairman

Jill A. Hoefler, Village Clerk