SPECIAL MEETING FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES VILLAGE OF FAIRMONT, NEBRASKA WEDNESDAY, MAY 1ST, 2024

The Village Board of Fairmont, Nebraska met in special session on Wednesday, May 1st, 2024 at 7:00p.m. at the Fairmont Village Hall, 635 6th Ave., Fairmont NE. Notice of the meeting was given in advance according to proper notification by posting of meeting notice at Heartland Bank-Fairmont Branch, U.S. Post Office and Fairmont Village Hall. The purpose of the special meeting was to hold a Public Hearing for the Water Treatment Plant Project. Chairperson Donald A Moses called the meeting to order. Clerk/Treasurer Karen Margheim recorded the minutes. Board members present upon roll call were: Don Moses, Rod Ehmen, Victoria Verhage, Matt Hafer and Jack Slocum. A Visitor to the meeting was: Tyler Keenan. Chairperson Moses noted that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted on the bulletin board in the council meeting room for public inspection and review.

Public Hearing for Water Treatment Plant Project

At 7:02pm a motion was made by Ehmen, seconded by Hafer to open the Public Hearing for any questions or comments regarding the Water Treatment Plant Project. Roll call vote – 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed. There was a discussion on the bids received. The project was originally estimated at \$2.2 million, the lowest bid come in at \$2.6 million. The 75% grant from Nebraska Department of Environmental Energy still applies even though the lowest bid comes in higher than the estimate. The Village has a 60-day window to accept the bid. The contaminant being treated is manganese. Manganese is an emerging contaminant. The grant funds are being paid from the emerging contaminant funds available through NDEE.

After there were no further questions or comments, at 7:20pm a motion was made by Verhage, seconded by Ehmen to close the Public Hearing. Roll call vote -5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Hafer, seconded by Verhage to adjourn the meeting at 7:30pm. Roll call vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays. Motion passed.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be on Monday, May 13th, 2024 at 7:00pm in the Fairmont Village Hall.

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