

**Village of McGrew, Nebraska**  
**262 East 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Rt 2 Box 844, McGrew, Nebraska**  
**Regular Business Meeting**  
**Thursday, December 12, 2024**

- I. Call to Order: The regular monthly meeting for the Village of McGrew was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Kevin Ross. Notice of this meeting and the agenda were posted prior to the meeting in three public places; Community Room, Fire Hall and the Pink Palace. The Open Meetings Act was placed on the table to the East of the room. Roll was taken by Village Clerk Courtney Cerny. Board of Trustee Members present: Kevin Ross, Vic Staab, Judi Doty, Tom Cooper, and Penny Cooper. Board of Trustee Member absent: None. Quorum was declared. Attorney Kovarik was present.
  
- II. Pledge of Allegiance:
  
- III. Approve Agenda/Emergency Items if Necessary: P. Cooper made a motion to approve the agenda. Approving the agenda was seconded by Doty. Yes: Ross, Staab, Doty, T. Cooper, and P. Cooper. Nays: None. Motion carried.
  
- IV. Approve Minutes of the Past Regular Meeting: Staab made a motion to approve the minutes of the past regular meeting. It was seconded by T. Cooper. Yes: Ross, Staab, Doty, T. Cooper, and P. Cooper. Nays: None. Motion carried.
  
- V. Payment of Bills:

**Village of McGrew**  
**Payments between 11-14-2024 to 12-11-2024**

Name and Description	Amount	Method
CenturyLink (telephone)	\$138.01	Check
Courtney Cerny (Clerk/Treasurer – less taxes)	\$1,100.00	Check
Column Software, PBC (publish minutes in newspaper)	\$60.54	Debit card
Column Software, PBC (publish budget meeting minutes)	62.18	Debit card
Penny Cooper (13 board member meetings)	390.00	Check
Tom Cooper (14 board member meetings)	420.00	Check
Judi Doty (14 board member meetings)	420.00	Check
Ellison, Kovarik & Turman Law Firm (attorney)	\$120.10	Check
Brian Estrada (community room rental reimbursement)	\$15.00	Check
Virgil Hagel (Maintenance – less taxes)	\$68.00	Check
Kuskie Fuel Services (propane at fire hall)	\$811.67	Check
Menards (Christmas light replacements)	\$68.77	Check
Nebraska Public Power District (electricity)	\$525.09	Check
One Call Concepts (511 Digger Hotline)	\$0.80	Check
Cinda Ross (clean community room)	\$40.00	Check
Kevin Ross (maintenance)	\$85.00	Check
Kevin Ross (14 board member meetings)	\$420.00	Check
Vic (Martin) Staab (10 board member meetings)	\$300.00	Check
Staples (toner and yearly tax forms)	\$167.97	Debit card
Vistabeam (internet)	\$87.95	Check
Waste Connections (trash service)	\$805.80	Check
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,106.88</b>	

T. Cooper made a motion to pay the bills. It was seconded by Staab. Yes: Ross, Staab, Doty, T. Cooper, and P. Cooper. Nays: None. Motion carried. Ross abstained from voting on payments to Cinda Ross and Kevin Ross.

VI. New Business:

- A. Reappoint Jeff Wolfe as Street Superintendent for 2025: Staab made a motion to reappoint Jeff Wolfe as Street Superintendent for 2025. It was seconded by Doty. Yes: Ross, Staab, Doty, and P. Cooper. Nays: None. Abstain: T. Cooper. Motion carried.
- B. Recognize Reelected Board Member: Ross recognized Penny Cooper for being reelected to the board.
- C. Change Internet from Vistabeam to Fiber Optic: Ross mentioned changing from Vistabeam to Q.com. Staab made a motion for Ross to get more information for the next meeting. It was seconded by P. Cooper. Yes: Ross, Staab, Doty, T. Cooper, and P. Cooper. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- D. Past Due Accounts: Cerny mentioned that there are a few people who are behind in paying their utility bill. Staab made a motion to send people a letter that are behind six months or more giving them a month to pay their bill or a special assessment will be put on their property at the courthouse. It was seconded by T. Cooper. Yes: Ross, Staab, Doty, T. Cooper, and P. Cooper. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- E. Annual Review of Service Charges: Cerny explained what the current utility charges are for sewer and trash. Staab made a motion to reevaluate the charges after hearing from MC Schaff. Mike from MC Schaff should be at the January meeting. It was seconded by P. Cooper. Yes: Ross, Staab, Doty, T. Cooper, and P. Cooper. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- F. Review Clerk Performance and Education Requirements: Cerny has completed her continuing education and is appreciated.

VII. Unfinished Business:

- A. Discussion of Repayment from USDA for Sewer Jetting and Inspection: Mike at MC Schaff wasn't present at the meeting but gave T. Cooper something to present. T. Cooper said that Mike at MC Schaff suggests that the sewer charge be increased to \$78 per month per utility bill if there is no grant or \$35 to \$40 per month per utility bill with a grant.

VIII. Department/Committee Reports:

- A. Attorney Kovarik explained the procedures for a vacancy in the board which was from Doty. Clerk will post the vacancy in three places. It will be discussed at the January meeting. Two weeks later there will be another meeting to approve a new board member.
- B. Ross mentioned that he has been working on the sewer pump.
- C. Cerny mentioned that she will be working on the Tobacco license this month.
- D. Cerny mentioned that she asked the Nebraska clerks if anyone had Christmas lights they wanted to sell. There were five responses with two being close. They are Oshkosh and Hemmingford. P. Cooper is going to contact them to see if McGrew would like to replace our lights with other town's lights.

IX. Public Comments: None

- X. Adjournment: There being nothing further to discuss, Chairman Ross adjourned the meeting at 7:45.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Courtney Cerny  
Village Clerk/Treasurer

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Kevin Ross  
Chairman