

Village of McGrew, Nebraska
262 East 3rd Street, Rt 2 Box 844, McGrew, Nebraska
Regular Business Meeting
Thursday, July 9, 2026

- I. Call to Order: The regular monthly meeting for the Village of McGrew was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Martin (Vic) Staab. 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: Martin (Vic) Staab, Penny Cooper, Tom Cooper, Lisa Hutchison, and Donald (Scott) Mackrill. Board of Trustee Member absent: none. Quorum was declared. Attorney Kovarik was present.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance:
- III. Approve Agenda/Emergency Items if Necessary: T. Cooper made a motion to approve the agenda. Approving the agenda was seconded by Hutchison. Yes: Staab, P. Cooper, T. Cooper, Hutchison, and Mackrill. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- IV. Approve Minutes of the Past Meeting: P. Cooper made a motion to approve the minutes of the past meeting. It was seconded by Mackrill. Yes: Staab, P. Cooper, T. Cooper, Hutchison, and Mackrill. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- V. Payment of Bills:

Name and Description	Amount	Method
CenturyLink (telephone)	\$153.19	Check
Courtney Cerny (Clerk/Treasurer – less taxes)	\$1400.00	Check
Column Software, PBC (publish liquor renewal)	\$19.09	Debit Card
Column Software, PBC (publish wage info)	\$10.91	Debit Card
Column Software, PBC (publish meeting minutes)	\$178.89	Debit Card
Brian Estrada (deposit return for bld rental 06-28-26)	\$15.00	Check
Jackie Garza (deposit return for bld rental 07-04-26)	\$15.00	Check
Mike Hutchison (Maintenance – less taxes)	\$425.00	Check
Mike Hutchison (mosquito spray testing reimb)	\$55.00	Check
Menards (flag, flagpole, bracket)	\$25.82	Check
Menards (flagpole extension)	\$42.95	Check
Menards (trigger, Teflon tape, gear drive)	\$22.92	Check
Menards (dowel, screws, pvc)	\$38.96	Check
NE Dept of Revenue (Form 10 – Sales Tax – 2 nd Qtr)	\$216.29	Elec Pmt
NE Public Power District (electricity)	\$574.47	Check
One Call Concepts (811 NE Digger Hotline)	\$3.63	Check
Sandberg Implement (Kubota leak)	\$428.52	Check
United States Treasury (Form 941 – Payroll Tax – 2 nd Qtr)	\$781.76	Elec Pmt
Vistabeam (internet)	\$87.95	Check
Waste Connections (trash service)	\$802.20	Check
Total	\$5,297.55	

Cerny mentioned that she updated the previous month's bill list after receiving approval to pay more bills during the last meeting. She would like to get toner and envelopes which is approved in the debit card agreement.

T. Cooper made a motion to pay the bills. It was seconded by Mackrill. Yes: Staab, P. Cooper, T. Cooper, Hutchison, and Mackrill. Nays: None. Motion carried. Hutchison abstained on bills to Mike Hutchison.

VI. New Business:

- A. Invoice from Conrad for Mowing – Discussion/Action/Possible Vote: An invoice was received from Conrad Construction LLC for \$150.00 for mowing. Hutchison made a motion not to pay Conrad for mowing because he wasn't asked to mow. It was seconded by P. Cooper. Yes: Staab, P. Cooper, T. Cooper, Hutchison, and Mackrill. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- B. Swing Set – Discussion/Action/Possible Vote: No action taken.
- C. Increase Sewer Utility Charge – Discussion/Action/Possible Vote: Cerny presented a spreadsheet outlining how the utility charges have increased since 2020. Staab said Village of McGrew should get a grant soon. After the grant is received, we will have a better idea of how much to increase utility charges.
- D. Adjust Speed Limit Sign – Discussion/Action/Possible Vote: Kovarik explained that if the speed limit is changed, we need to let the state know. Scotts Bluff County Department of Transportation will put up new speed limit signs. Discussion is changing speed limit on Main Street between First Street and Fifth Streets.
- E. Street Signs – Discussion/Action/Possible Vote: No action taken.
- F. LARM Insurance Renewal – Discussion/Action/Possible Vote/Possible Sign Resolution: Cerny presented current information and history of insurance coverages, deductibles, and premiums. She also presented Resolution 2026-01 from LARM for insurance for the renewal. T. Cooper made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-01 from LARM for insurance with a 180 day and three year commitment with a 5% discount. It was seconded by Hutchison. Roll call vote: Staab = yes, P. Cooper = yes, Hutchison = yes, T. Cooper = yes, and Mackrill = yes. Motion carried.

VII. Unfinished Business:

- A. Humane Society – SNR Program – Discussion/Action/Possible Vote: No one from Humane Society was present, so agenda item is tabled.
- B. Basketball Court in Park – use Keno Funds – Discussion/Action/Possible Vote: T. Cooper has requested estimates from three places to replace the cement and basketball hoop. Only one has provided an estimate at this time.
- C. Declare Surplus – Discussion/Action/Possible Vote: No action taken.
- D. Prairie Dogs Close to Village – Discussion/Action/Possible Vote: Staab will contact pest control companies, and Hutchison will contact the extension office.

- E. USDA Loan Funding for Sewer Project – Discussion/Action/Possible Vote: Pending until after grant is received.
- F. Vacating Easement – Discussion/Action/Possible Vote: No applications to vacate an easement have been turned in at this time.
- G. Village Festival – Discussion/Action/Possible Vote: P. Cooper mentioned that there will be goat roping at the village festival.
- H. Mosquito Spraying – Discussion/Action/Possible Vote: M. Hutchison doesn't have the mosquito spraying license.
- I. Tires at Old School – Discussion/Action/Possible Vote: No action taken.
- J. Comprehensive Plan and Rezoning – Discussion/Action/Possible Vote: No action taken
- K. Board of Health – Discussion/Action/Possible Vote: No action taken.
- L. Planning Board – Discussion/Action/Possible Vote: No action taken.
- M. Update on Sewer – Discussion/Action/Possible Vote: Sewer is working fine.

VIII. Department/Committee Reports:

- A. Maintenance: M. Hutchison mentioned that he lengthened the flag poles. M. Hutchison mentioned that there are empty lots with tall grass.
- B. Clerk: Cerny said she worked on quarterly reports, published the liquor renewal, and published the wage information.
- C. Attorney Kovarik: Attorney Kovarik stated that this is his last meeting as he will be a judge. Our next attorney will most likely be Matt Turman.

IX. Public Comments: None.

- X. Adjournment: There being nothing further to discuss, Chairman Staab adjourned the meeting at 8:30.

Courtney Cerny
Village Clerk/Treasurer

Martin Staab
Chairman