

PROCEEDINGS OF THE VILLAGE OF MILLIGAN BOARD OF TRUSTEES 12/09/25

The Village of Milligan Board of Trustees met in regular session on December 9, 2025, notice of meeting being posted in three public places in advance of the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Eric Milton at 7:00 p.m. On roll call, the following Trustees were present: Eric Milton, Eric Johnson, Shawn Slezak, Laura Steuben and Kimberly Gurley. Absent: none. Others present: Todd Blome of BMG Certified Public Accountants, Shaundee Graham, Fillmore County Zoning Administrator, Dean Filipi, Vicky Thompson, clerk and John Zelenka, maintenance. Chairman Milton made notice that the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room and is accessible to members of the public. Comment period was open to the public.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following bills were presented for payment:

Black Hills Energy	923.78	Verizon, cell phone	108.58
Perennial Public Power, utilities	1,915.53	Windstream, telephone & internet	586.23
Kopcho & Sons Sanitation, garbage	3,992.00	Hometown Leasing, repairs & maint.	92.88
NE Public Health Env. Lab, water tests	15.00	The Nebraska Signal, publications	129.70
Lois Kotas, contract labor	56.00	Vicky Thompson, mileage exp.	56.00
Power Manager, rep. & maint.	3,187.04	Midwest Alarm Services, rep. & maint.	215.00
Farmers Coop., supplies	41.71	Andrews Electric Co., rep. & maint.	1,983.03
Solheim Law Firm., prof. fees	216.08	Michl Service, maint., & supplies	226.60
Kassik Milling Co., misc. exp.	333.00	Belle Prairie Electric, medical clinic	667.75
Nebr. U.C. Fund, taxes	12.48	Geneva Parts City, supplies	525.79
Geneva Home Center, supplies	16.46	Exeter Lumber Company, rep. & maint.	468.49
BMG Certified Accts., prof. fees	8,100.00	Stryker Sales, LLC, fire & rescue	400.40
Danko Emer. Equip. fire & rescue	675.00	Municipal Supply, supplies	94.63
941 Tax Deposit	1,603.20	Wages	5,657.67
Library Expenses	570.22		

S. Slezak moved, seconded by E. Johnson, to approve all items on the consent agenda. The items on the consent agenda include the minutes from the November 11, 2025, meeting, financial reports and all bills. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, S. Slezak, L. Steuben and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

REGULAR AGENDA

Todd Blome of BMG Certified Public Accountants presented to the board the audit dated September 30, 2025. Mr. Blome reviewed the financial information and answered questions.

Shaundee Graham, Fillmore County Zoning, presented a Conditional Use Permit for Dean Filipi to place a storage building at 408 Main Street as the primary structure on a residential lot. L. Steuben moved, seconded by K. Gurley, to approve the Conditional Use Permit for Dean Filipi. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, S. Slezak, L. Steuben and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

E. Johnson moved, seconded by K. Gurley, to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:20 p.m. for the purpose of reorganization. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, S. Slezak, L. Steuben and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

The Village of Milligan Board of Trustees met at the Village Hall on December 9, 2025, at 7:21 p.m. for the purpose of reorganization.

On roll call the following board members were present: E. Milton, E. Johnson, S. Slezak, L. Steuben, and K. Gurley. Absent: none.

The clerk asked for a nomination of a temporary chairman. L. Steuben moved, seconded by S. Slezak, to nominate Kimberly Gurley as temporary chairman. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, S. Slezak, and L. Steuben. Nays: none. Absent: none. Abstained: K. Gurley.

Temporary Chairman Kimberly Gurley asked for a nomination for Chairman.

L. Steuben moved, seconded by E. Johnson, to nominate Eric Milton as Chairman of the Board. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Johnson, S. Slezak, L. Steuben, and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Absent: none. Abstained: E. Milton. Motion carried.

Chairman Eric Milton appointed Kimberly Gurley to be the Pro-Tem Chairman in his absence.

The Oath of Office was taken by the Board Members and the Village Clerk.

L. Steuben moved, seconded by K. Gurley, to approve the following Library Board members: Mary Johnson, President, Beth Vavra, Secretary, Lila Koca, Treasurer, Beverly Kotas and Mary E. Uldrich, board members. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, S. Slezak, L. Steuben and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

The following committees were assigned:

Garbage, Street and Alley	Milton, Gurley
Police, Water and Sewer	Steuben, Johnson
Finance	All Members
Health	Gurley, Slezak
Village Clerk/Treasurer	Vicky Thompson
Village Attorney	David Solheim, Solheim Law Firm, LLC
Village Street Engineer	Miller & Associates Consulting Engineers
Village Street Superintendent	Reed A. Miller, License S-514, Class A
Village Accountant	Todd Blome, BMG Certified Public Accountants

E. Johnson moved, seconded by S. Slezak, to approve the committee assignments. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, S. Slezak, L. Steuben, and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

L. Steuben moved, seconded by K. Gurley, to adjourn. Roll call vote: E. Milton, E. Johnson, S. Slezak, L. Steuben and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Regular meeting was reconvened at 7:26 p.m.

The Miscellaneous Expense Policy was reviewed. K. Gurley moved, seconded by E. Johnson, to approve the Miscellaneous Expense Policy. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, S. Slezak, L. Steuben and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

E. Milton presented the NAHTF Village of Milligan New Construction Program Guidelines for the Milligan Housing Project. S. Slezak moved, seconded by E. Johnson, to approve the 2025 NAHTF Village of Milligan New Construction Program Guidelines. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, S. Slezak, L. Steuben, and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

E. Milton presented the Professional Service Agreement between the Village of Milligan and SENDD in the amount of \$30,000. S. Slezak moved, seconded by E. Johnson, to approve the Professional Service Agreement between the Village of Milligan and SENDD in the amount of \$30,000. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, S. Slezak, L. Steuben, and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

E. Milton presented the Professional Service Agreement between the Village of Milligan and SENDD in the amount of \$20,000. L. Steuben moved, seconded by K. Gurley, to approve the Professional Service Agreement between the Village of Milligan and SENDD in the amount of \$20,000. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, S. Slezak, L. Steuben, and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

A checking account needs to be opened for the Housing Project. L. Steuben moved, seconded by S. Slezak, to approve opening a checking account at the Farmers and Merchants Bank, Milligan, for the Village of Milligan Housing Project. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, S. Slezak, L. Steuben, and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2025-05 was introduced. E. Johnson moved, seconded by K. Gurley, to adopt Resolution No. 2025-05 to place a lien on the property at 309 4th Street for an unpaid mowing bill. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, S. Slezak, L. Steuben, and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Absent: none. Motion carried. A copy of the Resolution is on file at the office of the Village Clerk.

A request from Milligan Fire and Rescue to increase rescue unit pay was discussed. E. Johnson moved, seconded by S. Slezak, to approve a new pay schedule for rescue calls as follows: \$20.00 for football games, EMT's going with rescue unit on a call to \$30.00, assisting on a rescue call to \$15.00, and firemen that are paged at \$10.00. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, S. Slezak, and L. Steuben. Nays: none. Absent: none. Abstained: K. Gurley. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was read and discussed - included was the 3rd quarter lease payment from Perennial Public Power.

Other Discussion:

- Sales tax receipts for September (received in November) were \$4,727.31
- Clerk has finished the eight-hour training requirement
- On-site visit was done with SENDD for the Housing Project
- Status of dog at large problem
- School building and Fitness Center
- Status of preserving/destroying old records
- Annual donation to the Nebraska Rural Water Association
- John Zelenka presented an estimated start date on the water tower project

E. Johnson moved, seconded by L. Steuben, to send a donation of \$100.00 to the Nebraska Rural Water Association in January. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, S. Slezak, L. Steuben, and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Next meeting is scheduled for January 13, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall.

K. Gurley moved, seconded by L. Steuben, to adjourn. Roll call vote: Ayes: E. Milton, E. Johnson, S. Slezak, L. Steuben and K. Gurley. Nays: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m. Minutes can be viewed on the website www.milligannebraska.org.

Vicky Thompson, Village Clerk