

MINUTES
Budget Hearing and Special Meeting

September 8, 2020

The Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Bertrand, Nebraska held a Budget Hearing and Special Meeting on September 8, 2020 at 7:30 PM at the Village Hall by publishing in the Holdrege Daily Citizen on August 28, 2020 and posting at the First State Bank, Post Office and Village Office. Agendas for the Budget Hearing and Special Meeting were kept continuously at the Office of the Village Clerk. Present were Chairman TJ Wilcox, and Trustees Robert Dahlgren, Lucas Evans, and Fred Spiegel. Absent, Brian Schroeder. Dahlgren joined the meeting at 7:32 PM. The purpose of the Hearing was to hear support, opposition, and recommendations relating to the proposed 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget. The purpose of the Special Meeting was to hear support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of taxpayers to set the final tax request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

The Chairman opened the Budget Hearing and Special Meeting and publicly stated to all in attendance that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meetings were being held.

On a motion by Spiegel, seconded by Evans, a 1% increase to the Restricted Funds was approved. Voting Aye, Spiegel, Evans, Wilcox. Absent, Dahlgren and Schroeder.

On a motion by Spiegel, seconded by Evans, Ordinance No. 706 was approved. Voting Aye, Spiegel, Evans, Dahlgren, Wilcox. Absent, Schroeder. On a motion by Spiegel, seconded by Evans, the prior motion was rescinded because a motion to waive the required three readings was not made. Voting Aye, Spiegel, Evans, Dahlgren, Wilcox. Absent, Schroeder. Trustee Spiegel introduce Ordinance No. 706 relating to the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Annual Appropriation Bill. On a motion by Dahlgren, seconded by Evans, the statutory rule requiring an ordinance to be fully and distinctly read on three different days was waived. Voting Aye, Dahlgren, Evans, Spiegel, Wilcox. Absent, Schroeder. The motion to suspend the rule was adopted by three-fourths of the members elected to the Board and the statutory rule was declared suspended for consideration of said Ordinance. Thereupon said Ordinance No. 706 was then read by title and Trustee Spiegel moved for its final passage, which motion was seconded by Evans. Voting Aye, Spiegel, Evans, Dahlgren, Wilcox. Absent, Schroeder. Said Ordinance reads as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 706

of the

VILLAGE OF BERTRAND, NEBRASKA

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BERTRAND, NEBRASKA TO ADOPT THE BUDGET STATEMENT TO BE TERMED THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BILL; TO APPROPRIATE SUMS FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF BERTRAND, NEBRASKA:

Section 1. That after complying with all procedures required by law, the budget presented and set forth in the budget statement is hereby approved as the Annual Appropriation Bill for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021. All sums of money contained in the budget statement are hereby appropriated for the necessary expenses and liabilities of the Village of Bertrand. A copy of the budget document shall be forwarded as provided by law to the Auditor of Public Accounts,

State Capitol, Lincoln, Nebraska, and to the County Clerk of Phelps County, Nebraska, for use by the levying authority.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage, approval, and publication or posting as required by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 8TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2020.

On a motion by Spiegel, seconded by Dahlgren, Resolution No. 432 to set the final tax request for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year was approved. Voting Aye, Spiegel, Dahlgren, Evans, Wilcox. Absent, Schroeder. The Resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 432

of the

VILLAGE OF BERTRAND, NEBRASKA

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1601.02 provides that Governing body of the Village of Bertrand passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE Governing Body of the Village of Bertrand, resolves that:

1. The 2020-2021 property tax request be set at \$328,692.03
2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by 7%.
3. The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property, would be \$0.468505 per \$100 of assessed value.
4. The Village of Bertrand proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be \$1.069320 per \$100 of assessed value.
5. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of the Village of Bertrand will be less than last year's by 79%.
6. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before October 13, 2020.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 8TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER.

The Budget Hearing and Special Meeting adjourned at 8:41 PM.

*Minutes taken by Roxanne Winheim, Village Treasurer.

Lori Vinzant, Village Clerk

TJ Wilcox, Chairman of the Board