## Village of Loomis Regular Board Meeting Minutes September 8, 2025-7:00PM

## **REGULAR MEETING**

The Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Loomis held a Regular Meeting on September 8, 2025, at the Loomis Community Building. Notice of the meeting was published in the Holdrege Daily Citizen and was also posted at the Loomis Post Office, The First State Bank of Loomis, and the Loomis Village Office. The agenda for said meeting was kept continuously at the office of the Village Clerk.

Chairman Keith Fagot opened the meeting at 7:02PM.

Chairman Fagot explained that the meeting would be conducted under the open meeting laws of the State of Nebraska and that a copy of those laws rested on the counter of the meeting room for anyone who wished to read them.

Board Members present: Keith Fagot, Don Masten, Melanie Freeman, Ben Collin. Max Berry arrived at 7:11 p.m.

Chairman Fagot welcomed guest Brett Buettner.

Chairman Fagot opened the budget hearing at 7:05 p.m. The board considered the budget proposal for the 2025-2026 budget and Chairman Fagot closed the budget hearing at 7:11 p.m.

Chairman Fagot opened the Tax Request Hearing at 7:11 p.m. The board discussed the 2025-2026 tax request resolution. The hearing was closed at 7:19 p.m.

Don moved and Melanie seconded to approve the agenda, with the addition of two items which were announced to the board 3 days prior to the meeting. Voting Aye: Don, Keith, Max, Ben, Melanie. Voting Nay: None. The motion passed 5/0.

Don moved and Max seconded to approve the previous month's regular meeting minutes. Voting Aye: Don, Keith, Max, Ben, Melanie. Voting Nay: None. The motion passed 5/0.

Keith moved and Don seconded that the financial reports be approved as presented: Voting Aye: Don, Keith, Max, Ben, Melanie. Voting Nay: None. The motion passed 5/0.

Melanie moved and Don seconded that the following claims be approved and paid as presented: ATC Communications 316.10, Atlas Automation LLC 2177.75, Benjamin Landscaping Corp 76.26, Black Hills Energy 189.80, Card Services 1570.31, Central Valley Electric 326.90, Construction Rental Kearney 1900.49, Dewald, Deaver, L"Heureux 331.50, Holdrege Auto Parts 36.00, Internal Revenue Service 2196.08, Holdrege Daily Citizen 72.14, Larsen's Ace Hardware 249.61, MJ Pristavec Phone 50.00, Menards 383.98, Municipal Chemical Supply 875.00, NE Department of Revenue 145.21, Pro Building Supply 131.89, Schaben Sanitation 4261.18, Sims Enterprises, Inc. 192.56, Southern Power District 2704.00, Payroll 7848.34. Voting Aye: Don, Keith, Max, Ben, Melanie. Voting Nay: None. The motion passed 5/0.

The public comment section was opened by the Chairman. After hearing comments from guests, the public comment section was closed.

Motion by Don and second by Max to approve adopt the 2025-2026 Budget of Expenditures and Receipts as presented during the budget hearing. Voting Aye: Don, Keith, Max, Ben, Melanie. Voting Nay: None. The motion passed 5/0.

Motion by Don and second by Melanie to approve a 1% increase in Restricted Funds Authority. Voting Aye: Don, Keith, Max, Ben, Melanie. Voting Nay: None. The motion passed 5/0.

Motion by Ben and second by Keith to approve the 2025-2026 Property tax request as follows:

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1632 and 77-1633 provides that Governing Body of the Village of Loomis 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 Loomis, resolves that:

1. The 2025-2026 property tax request be set at:

General Fund: \$ 145,440.00

Bond Fund: \$

- 2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by 4.24 percent.
- 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 0.361748 per \$100 of assessed value.
- 4. The Village of Loomis proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be 0.381597 per \$100 of assessed value.
- Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of the Village of Loomis will increase (or decrease) from last year's budget by 6.94 percent.
- 6. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before October 15, 2025.

Voting Aye: Don, Keith, Max, Ben, Melanie. Voting Nay: None. The motion passed 5/0.

A discussion was held concerning semi traffic on North Commercial street. Motion by Ben and second by Max to eliminate semi traffic northbound on North Commercial Street. Voting Aye: Don, Keith, Max, Ben, Melanie. Voting Nay: None. The motion passed 5/0.

Chairman Fagot gave a nuisance update report to the Board.

Motion by Max and second by Melanie to approve all liquor licenses for the Village that have been issued by the State of Nebraska. Voting Aye: Keith, Max, Ben, Melanie. Voting Nay: Don. The motion passed 4/1.

Motion by Ben and second by Keith to approve the 2025-2026 lease program for the John Deere Skid loader. Voting Aye: Don, Keith, Max, Ben, Melanie. Voting Nay: None. The motion passed 5/0.

The Village Clerk gave a report concerning projects.

Motion by Max and second by Melanie to approve the renewal of the agreement between Sherri Ellsworth and the Village of Loomis for the use of the Loomis Community Building. Voting Aye: Keith, Max, Ben, Melanie. Voting Nay: None. Abstention due to Conflict of Interest: Don. The motion carried 4/0/1.

Motion by Keith and second by Ben to go into Executive Session discuss personnel evaluations and to protect the reputation of individuals who may be discussed. Voting Aye: Ben, Don, Keith, Melanie, Max. Voting Nay: None. Motion passed 5/0. TIME IN: 8:15 PM. Chairman Fagot stated "The Village Board has voted to go into closed

session to discuss personnel evaluations and to protect the reputation of individuals who may be discussed. I remind the Board Members that during the closed session, the board may only discuss the items presented in the motion and the introduction or discussion of any other items than those stated in the motion will not be allowed".

Motion by Don and second by Melanie to go out of Executive Session. Voting Aye: Don, Keith, Max, Ben, Melanie. Voting Nay: None. The motion passed 5/0.

The next meeting will be held at 7:00 PM at the Loomis Community Building on Monday, October 13, 2025.

Melanie moved and Ben seconded to adjourn the meeting. Voting Aye: Don, Keith, Max, Ben, Melanie. Voting Nay: None. The motion passed 5/0.

Chairman Keith Fagot adjourned the meeting 8:44 p.m.

ATTEST:	APPROVED:
MJ Pristavec	Keith Fagot
MJ PRISTAVEC, VILLAGE CLERK	CHAIRMAN, KEITH FAGOT