#### VILLAGE OF EAGLE

## **September 15, 2025**

The Village Board of Trustees met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on September 15, 2025 with Todd, Hochstein, Meier, Dobbins and Surman present. The Agenda items listed thereon were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting. The Chairperson, at the beginning of the meeting, informed the public about the location of the posted current copy of the Open Meetings Act. Chairperson Todd named the three (3) areas where the agenda was posted as follows: Eagle Municipal Building, Eagle Fire & Rescue Department and Eagle Municipal Park. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Chairperson Todd opened the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request. The Village of Eagle proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be 0.46717 per \$100 of assess value. The 2025-2026 property tax request is resolved to be set at \$466,883.75; this equates to \$421,883.75 for the General Fund and \$45,000.00 for the Bond Fund. Todd asked if there were any comments or questions from the public. There were no comments or questions from the public. The Village Board agreed to stand at ease until which time the next public hearing begins at 7:05 p.m.

The public hearing was closed at 7:05 p.m.

Chairperson Todd opened the public hearing at 7:05 p.m. for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to the 2025-2026 Budget. Three copies of the proposed budget statement were made available to the public. The notice of public hearing on the 2025-2026 Budget was published in the September 4, 2025 edition of the Voice News and posted in the three public posting areas in town. Todd presented an outline of the key provisions of the proposed budget statement, as follows: The Village is decreasing their tax request due to having paid off an existing bond; the large valuation increase will also decrease the levy by a total of 15.1525 cents per \$100 of valuation. It should be noted that the levy will likely increase next fiscal year since there will be new bonds in place at that time. The Village is budgeting for street improvements; the estimated bond proceeds and capital improvements are \$2,700,000. The Village is also budgeting for its share of a new Fire & Rescue Station. There are additional amounts budgeted for capital improvements and other capital outlay in the event something unexpected arises. Todd asked if there were any comments or questions from the public. Trisha Morse (355 Wenzel Cir.) asked if there is a reason the Budget Form is different than it appeared during the Budget Workshop meeting in August. Nystrom said the Budget Form in August was a draft created by the Village Accountant based on leaving the general levy the same as it was last year. The majority of the Village Board that evening supported a general levy decrease which, in turn, modified some of the figures found in the original Budget Form draft.

The public hearing was closed at 7:08 p.m.

Motion by Surman, second by Hochstein, to introduce Resolution 2025-06. Voting: Ayes – 5. Motion carried.

Chairperson Todd read Resolution 2025-06 entitled:

# RESOLUTION SETTING THE PROPERTY TAX REQUEST RESOLUTION NO. 2025-06

**WHEREAS,** Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1632 and 77-1633 provides that the Governing Body of the Village of Eagle passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the property 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 Eagle resolves that:

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

a. General Fund: \$421,883.75b. Bond Fund: \$45,000.00

- 2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by 11.96 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 0.552597 per \$100 of assessed value.
- 4. The Village of Eagle proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be 0.46717 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 Eagle will increase from last year's budget by 5.49 percent.
- 6. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before October 15, 2025.

Motion by Meier, second by Hochstein, to adopt Resolution 2025-06. Voting: Ayes – 5. Motion carried.

Motion by Hochstein, second by Surman, to approve the 2025-2026 Budget. Voting: Ayes – 5. Motion carried.

Motion by Hochstein, second by Todd, to approve a supply reimbursement cost of \$500.00 to Eagle Fire & Rescue for Eagle Elementary Fire Awareness Day. Voting: Ayes – 5. Motion carried.

Open Forum – James Dobbins said the monument sign at Eagle Memorial Park is now operational and can display announcements. Dobbins shared some personal feelings regarding the Village Board with his pending resignation being likely; he encouraged board members to attend educational conferences, such as those through the League of

Nebraska Municipalities and Nebraska Planning & Zoning Association; he feels professionalism from the Village Board when dealing with the public isn't always the greatest and is something that can be improved on; and he recommends a better array of options when it comes to listening to members of the community. John Surman would like the Village Board to consider granting the Chairperson Pro Tem the power to approve the agenda in the event the Chairperson is unavailable.

Motion by Hochstein, second by Meier, to approve the Eagle Lifeguard's proposal for the painting project at the Pool House in the amount of 1,144.50. Voting: Ayes -5. Motion carried.

Motion by Surman, second by Hochstein, to introduce Ordinance 2025-03. Voting: Ayes – 5. Motion carried.

Chairperson Todd read Ordinance 2025-03 entitled:

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 2025-03**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF EAGLE, NEBRASKA, CREATING STREET IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 2025-01 WITHIN THE VILLAGE; DEFINING THE BOUNDARIES OF SAID DISTRICT AND THE PROPERTY CONTAINED THEREIN; AND PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS THEREIN CONSISTING OF GRADING AND/OR REGRADING, RECURBING AND REGUTTERNING OR CONSTRUCTION OF CURB AND GUTTER, AS MAY BE REQUIRED, PAVING, REPAVING, EARTHWORK, STORM DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS, PEDESTRIAN WALKWAYS AND SUCH OTHER APPURTENANCES AS MAY BE INCIDENTAL THERETO.

Motion by Hochstein, second by Meier, to accept the first reading of Ordinance 2025-03. Voting: Ayes -5. Motion carried.

Motion by Surman, second by Hochstein, to suspend the rules of three consecutive readings of Ordinance 2025-03. Voting: Ayes – 5. Motion carried.

Motion by Meier, second by Hochstein, to adopt Ordinance 2025-03. Voting: Ayes -5. Motion carried.

Motion by Hochstein, second by Meier, to introduce Resolution 2025-07. Voting: Ayes – 5. Motion carried.

Chairperson Todd read Resolution 2025-07 entitled:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-07**

### **RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHAIRPERSON AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF EAGLE, NEBRASKA:

- **Section 1**. The Chairperson and Board of Trustees (the "**Board**") deem and declare it advisable and necessary to construct improvements to the existing storm sewer system of the Village, including the extension of such system South on 2nd Street from A Street to B Street, West on B Street from 2nd Street to 4th Street, South on 4th Street from B Street to C Street and West on F Street from 5th Street to 100' West of 6th Street, by installing a 30" storm sewer pipe. The Board further finds that said improvements will constitute a general public improvement within said Village which may properly be financed by the issuance of general obligation bonds of said Village.
- **Section 2**. The storm sewer improvements described herein shall be constructed in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by the engineers for the Village. Reference is hereby made to said plans and specifications, which plans, specifications and estimate of cost have been filed with the Village Clerk and are hereby approved and adopted.
- **Section 3**. For the purpose of constructing the proposed improvements there is hereby created in the Village a storm sewer district to be known and designated as Storm Sewer District No. 2025-1, the outer boundaries of which coincide with and are the same as the outer boundaries of the Village.
- **Section 4**. To pay the cost of the improvements herein provided for, the Board shall have the power, after such improvements have been completed and accepted by the Village, to cause to be issued the negotiable bonds of the Village to be called 'Storm Sewer Bonds'. All of the said improvements are declared to be general public improvements and not local improvements and for the benefit of all the property in the Village alike; and all of said improvements are found and declared to be necessary and proper to furnish a storm sewer system for said Village.
  - **Section 5**. The special engineers' estimate of the cost is \$1,300,000.
- **Section 6**. A hearing on this Resolution shall be held in the Village Fire Hall located at 705 S. 1st Street, Eagle, Nebraska during a meeting held on October 20, 2025 commencing 7:00 p.m. The Clerk is directed to publish notice of said hearing in *The Voice News*, or such other legal newspaper of general circulation in the Village, the weeks of September 29<sup>th</sup> and October 6, 2025 (or such other days as determined in accordance with Section 17-914, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, as amended).

Motion by Surman, second by Hochstein, to adopt Resolution 2025-07. Voting: Ayes - 5. Motion carried.

Motion by Surman, second by Todd, to approve Change Order No. 2 with Pavers in the amount of \$19,662.00 as part of the 2025 G Street Mill & Overlay Improvements Project. Voting: Ayes – 5. Motion carried.

Motion by Hochstein, second by Meier, to approve Application for Payment No. 1 with Pavers in the amount of \$103,348.00 as part of the 2025 G Street Mill & Overlay Improvements Project. Voting: Ayes – 5. Motion carried.

Motion by Hochstein, second by Todd, to approve the proposal from Pavers for street repairs at the Eagle Drive & Applewood Drive intersection in the amount of \$5,989.00 and asphalt overlay of the Eagle Pool driveway in the amount of \$8,250.00. Voting: Ayes -5. Motion carried.

Motion by Hochstein, second by Todd, to approve the purchase of a spare ABS Piranha Submersible Pump and start kit from Iowa Pump Works for the Hartland Estates lift station in the amount of \$8,924.00 plus shipping. Voting: Ayes – 5. Motion carried.

Motion by Meier, second by Hochstein, to approve minutes as typed for the previous meeting. Voting: Ayes – Surman, Hochstein, Meier, Todd. Dobbins abstained. Motion carried.

Motion by Surman, second by Hochstein, to go into executive session at 8:05 p.m. to discuss a six-month employee evaluation for Adam Johns and to protect the reputation of the employee. Voting: Ayes – 5. Motion carried.

Chairperson Todd said the Village Board has come out of executive session at 8:30 p.m. after discussing a six-month employee evaluation for Adam Johns.

Motion by Todd, second by Hochstein, to increase Adam Johns' wage to \$23.00 per hour. Voting: Ayes – 5. Motion carried.

Motion by Hochstein, second by Surman, to go into executive session at 8:32 p.m. for the purpose of a strategy session with respect to a potential real estate purchase. Voting: Ayes – 5. Motion carried.

Todd said the Village Board has come out of executive session at 8:43 p.m. after conducting a strategy session with respect to a potential real estate purchase.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

Nick Nystrom Village Clerk Terri Todd Chairperson