

VILLAGE OF MANLEY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday June 10, 2026, at 7:00 PM at the Manley Community Center

The Regular Meeting of the Village of Manley Board of Trustees was called to order on June 10, 2026, at 7:01 p.m. by Chairman, Denise Swenson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited & the roll call was taken. Members present at the time were Denise Swenson, Joe Shera, Taylor Johnson, & Madison Garey. David Finnigan was an excused absence. Clerk Jessi Johnson took meeting minutes. A copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted in the meeting room for review. The Code of Conduct for Municipalities was read by Chairman, Denise Swenson. Notice of the meeting was posted on the Village of Manley website, the village community center, the village Fire House & Post Office bulletin boards.

Agenda:

Consent Agenda Items Approved:

- a. May 12, 2026 Minutes
 - b. Correspondence
 - i. No report
 - c. Water Clerk's Report
 - d. Treasurer's Report
 - e. Village Clerk's Report
 - i. Add Clerk to Bank Accounts
 - f. Misc. Monthly Reports
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Denise Swenson made a motion to approve the consent agenda minus adding the clerk to the bank accounts. Taylor Johnson seconded.

Joe Shera	Madison Garey	David Finnigan	Taylor Johnson	Denise Swenson
Yes	Yes	Ex	Yes	Yes

Motion carried.

Remaining Reports:

Claims

General	Description	Due Date	Amount
United States Treasury	Fees for non-filing of taxes	5/1/2026	\$ 72.87
TreeRific LLC	Tree & Weed control	5/3/2026	\$ 1,000.00
League of Municipalities	Training for clerk	5/26/2026	\$ 410.00
Wirebuilt	Website	6/1/2026	\$ 50.00
NE Dept of Revenue	Fees for non-filing of taxes	6/3/2026	\$ 77.74
Omaha World Herald	Publication fees	6/3/2026	\$ 46.75

Kenny's MowingLLC	Mowing for Com Ctr, Firehall, Maint. Bldg	6/10/2026	\$	925.00	
Jessi Johnson- Clerk	35.17 Hours	6/15/2026	\$	584.63	
Windstream	Comm. Center	6/15/2026	\$	215.12	ACH
Windstream	Firehall	6/15/2026	\$	166.29	ACH
Employer Taxes		6/15/2026	\$	86.42	
Employee Taxes		6/15/2026	\$	48.43	
Blackhills Energy	Comm. Center	6/17/2026	\$	97.52	ACH
Blackhills Energy	Firehall	6/17/2026	\$	84.93	ACH
OPPD	Firehall	6/24/2026	\$	76.79	ACH
OPPD	Comm. Center	6/24/2026	\$	63.57	ACH

Water	Description	Due Date	Amount	
Jack Faubion	Water sample and 87miles @.71 a mile	6/1/2026	\$	161.77
Otoe County Rural Water	Rural water bill	6/15/2026	\$	1,795.00
OPPD	Water	6/24/2026	\$	28.54 ACH
Jack Faubion	Water sample and 87miles @.71 a mile	7/1/2026	\$	161.77
Midwest Laboratories	Annual Influent Testing	7/3/2026	\$	525.61

Sewer	Description	Due Date	Amount	
Ed Blunt	3 Lagoon Inspections	6/1/2026	\$	175.00
Adam Goble	12.5 Hours	6/15/2026	\$	250.00
OPPD	Sewer	6/24/2026	\$	38.64 ACH

Comm. Ctr	Description	Due Date	Amount	
Drop in Portables	Portapotty	7/1/2026	\$	117.70

Highway	Description	Due Date	Amount	
OPPD	Streetlights	6/17/2026	\$	377.58 ACH

Jessi Johnson explained the breakdown of taxes of her paycheck due to the new payroll system. Taylor Johnson explained the past due taxes with the State and IRS.

Joe Shera made a motion to approve the claims as presented. This was seconded by Denise Swenson.

Joe Shera	Madison Garey	David Finnigan	Taylor Johnson	Denise Swenson
Yes	Yes	Ex	Yes	Yes

Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

- a. Nuisances – Violations of Ordinance 24-02. New clerk to work on sending out letters.
 - i. Dillon filing – Judge sided with the Village and ordered defendant to pay \$2350.00 plus court costs. It is the duty of the Village to collect the money. Denise Swenson explained the process.

- b. Building Permits Seeking Approval

- i. Debbie Woolhiser presented her building permit for a new fence.

Madison Garey made a motion to approve the permit. Joe Shera seconded.

Joe Shera	Madison Garey	David Finnigan	Taylor Johnson	Denise Swenson
Yes	Yes	Ex	Yes	Yes

Motion Carried.

- i. Denise Swenson presented her building permit for a new gazebo.

Joe Shera made a motion to approve the permit. Taylor Johnson seconded.

Joe Shera	Madison Garey	David Finnigan	Taylor Johnson	Denise Swenson
Yes	Yes	Ex	Yes	Abstained

Motion Carried.

- ii. Joshua Schliefert submitted his building permit for a new house & garage. The board bypassed this permit as they are looking into zoning requirements before proceeding.

- c. Community Center Rental Dates-

- i. July 3-----Scherrer
 - ii. July 25-----Dalton
 - iii. December 24-----Dalton

- d. Speed humps on 160th St and North St—

Denise Swenson explained the speed hump would be going in on Friday. It was voted on and approved in July 2025 and bids were collected and approved at the previous meeting. Brought up the speed limit, enforcement limitations. Explained the dimensions of the speed hump.

Don Colbert who lives and farms in Manley questioned why now, when there haven't been speedbumps for a long time.

Taylor Johnson explained it is a speed hump, not a speed bump/ speed table and it is easier on big equipment.

Kyle Lindsey who lives in Manley asked if it would actually slow people down.

Mike Golda who lives in Manley didn't think the road actually got much traffic.

Joe Shera explained that the board was being proactive versus reactive. It is about saving a life instead of convenience.

Denise Swenson recalled a recent event where board members were threatened and retaliated against over the speed hump by local community members. An apology was made for the incident.

Mickey Dalton gave his thoughts about the speed bump near his house in Manley.

Kyle Lindsey recalled a story about children playing in the street when he was driving through.

Don Klauman who lives in Manley said he only sees 2-3 people regularly speeding.

Taylor Johnson asked Don why his opinion has changed over time.

Pat Klauman, wife of Dan Klauman explained the wear and tear on farm equipment. Clayton Ahlers who lives in Manley asked if it could be a community vote. He is a CDL driver and expressed concerns on big equipment. Tim McDowell, manager of Frontier Coop in Manley asked if this was in relation to speed humps on Manley Lane. Denise Swenson said not at this time. Madison Garey asked the local Cass County Sheriff who was in attendance if speed bumps work. Cass County Sheriff explained he was not there to take either side but provide helpful information. He explained that speed humps do work. Don Colbert approached the Board and explained a potential new scenario for the speed humps to alleviate issues with heavy machinery. The Board reviewed whether to accept Don's proposal, if the material should be changed, or If they should remove it all together.

Denise Swenson made a motion to table this to the next meeting and review options.

Joe Shera	Madison Garey	David Finnigan	Taylor Johnson	Denise Swenson
Yes	Yes	Ex	Yes	Yes

Motion carried

- e. Playground Shade update
 - i. Mickey Dalton reviewed the installation guide and recommended the Village hire out a contractor to perform the work.
 - ii. Rebecca Goble provided grant information and updates.
- f. Unity
 - i. Jessi Johnson brought forth two different proposals for fiberoptic lines at the Manley Firehall. Discussion about whether they needed one number or two. Tabled to next meeting
- g. Purchase of a Printer/ Scanner
 - i. The new clerk was able to fix the existing printers, and a new printer/ scanner will not be purchased.
- h. Miss Manley
 - i. Denise said she would reach out to local candidates.

New Business:

- a. Shipping Containers
 - i. Discussion about if shipping containers should be regulated and required to paint them. The Board did not decide to make any resolutions on the matter.
- b. Insurance: W-2 Employees and 1099 Contractors
 - i. Jessi Johnson explained that the Village utilizes small contractors for some work and brought up if these entities should remain 1099 or be W-2 employees. Taylor Johnson brought up the added costs and negligible insurance liability.

Taylor Johnson made a motion to add Adam Goble as a W-2 employee of the Village.

Joe Shera	Madison Garey	David Finnigan	Taylor Johnson	Denise Swenson
Yes	Yes	Ex	Yes	Yes

Motion carried.

- c. Budget
 - i. A proposal from Stephanie Degroot for the preparation of the annual budget and audit waiver was presented. Discussion about the audit waiver was had.

Denise Swenson made a motion to approve the quote for only the budget preparation for \$750.00. Taylor Johnson Seconded.

Joe Shera	Madison Garey	David Finnigan	Taylor Johnson	Denise Swenson
Yes	Yes	Ex	Yes	Yes

Motion carried.

d. Community Pantry

- i. Jessi Johnson the Village Clerk announced that they would be starting up a community pantry and little free library in the basement of the community center. They are working with Tabitha's Thread for resources. A comment was made about confidentiality. Jessi ensured that it would all remain confidential but that it would be inside to reduce possible vandalism.

e. Adding the Clerk to the bank accounts

Denise Swenson made a motion to add Jessi Johnson to all the bank accounts at Pinnacle Bank. Madison Garey seconded.

Joe Shera	Madison Garey	David Finnigan	Taylor Johnson	Denise Swenson
Yes	Yes	Ex	Yes	Yes

Motion Carried.

Public Forum:

Tim McDowell from Frontier Coop asked if it would be okay for him to put up some signs stating that the road in front of the Coop is a private drive to discourage people from driving through their working area and potentially harming employees. The Board did not see any problems with that.

Adjournment:

Joe Shera made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Madison Garey seconded.

Joe Shera	Madison Garey	David Finnigan	Taylor Johnson	Denise Swenson
Yes	Yes	Ex	Yes	Yes

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

Jessi Johnson

Date Approved

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