

**APRIL 22, 2026**

The Village of Nehawka Board of Trustees met in special/emergency session on Wednesday, April 22, 2026, in the Nehawka Community Building. Chairman Chad Krueger called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m., noted the location of the Open Meetings Act for public viewing and roll call of the board. In attendance: Trustees: Chad Krueger, Matt Anson and Pat Neu. Trustees Tim Dineen and Ian Begemann were absent; Maintenance Ryan Adams and 12 guests. Village attorney, Tom Prickett was absent.

Chairman Krueger announced the discussion/action item of John Morrival – Ballfield Lighting/Poles – Fundraising/donations. Neu noted that since this was a special meeting only this agenda item would be discussed or acted upon.

John Morrival addressed the board about having lighting for this season's home games with the first game on May 17<sup>th</sup> and the need to purchase three (3) 50' to 70' poles to replace the down and damaged poles. Five (5) companies were contacted with very similar pricing, but the deciding factor was shipping fee. (R Adams noted that a 60' wooden pole was the length needed.) The costs per pole is \$2,811.57. Total cost for three (3) poles including shipping is \$8,434.71. Delivery would be 2-4 weeks from Sidney, Nebraska. A Customer Application from Bell Lumber & Pole Company was provided to the board. Ryan Adams noted that arrangements have already been secured for the installation of the three new poles and removal of the old poles.

Morrival continued with fundraising/donations and noted that to help with the replacement/repair costs an account has been set up at First State Bank Nehawka branch titled *Legion Baseball Account*. Donors can stop in or mail a check. To date, the amount of donations received totals \$7,157.00 and an additional \$2,000.00 has been verbally secured. Debbie Fox informed of a planned fundraiser at the concession stand during the first legion home game.

Krueger informed of the used lights recently bought from a speedway in Kansas and noted they were the incorrect size of 480v instead of the 240v needed. Board is trying to get the \$3,000 cost of the lights reimbursed. Krueger also noted that he located twenty-four 240v lights from a company in Indianapolis at a cost of \$995.00.

Other information noted was that with the purchase of the new lights/poles and the use of three (3) existing lights/poles would accomplish ballfield lighting for the upcoming season's home games. – A donor has offered the use of a lift to position the lighting. – Discussion about adapting and using the light brackets from the recent Kansas purchase. – Bill Mayfield offered his grandson's metal work to duplicate more brackets and that a sample would be needed. Mayfield also offered a donation to buy the 24 new lights.

A motion to purchase three poles at \$8,434.71 including delivery with reimbursement by Nehawka Legion Baseball was made by Anson, seconded by Krueger. All members present voted in favor; Dineen and Begemann absent. Motion carried.

Neu asked of wiring/cable cost and Anson noted no pricing to date pending direction of cable boring. The amount of wiring/cable considered is 500' to 700'.

Chairman Krueger thanked the community for the help and support of this project.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. was made by Neu, seconded by Anson. All members present voted in favor; Dineen and Begemann absent. Motion carried.

*Attest: Pat Neu, Acting Clerk/Treasurer*