

June 15, 2009

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, IL, was held on Monday, June 15, 2009. Village President Ron Kingery called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Terry Clark, Matt Bernius, and Mike McWilliams. Trustees Karen Good, Darrell Duzan, and Iris Dicks were absent.

#### **Public Hearing – Eberhardt Village CDAP Grant**

Jeff Lahr reviewed the \$435,000 CDAP grant awarded to the Village for road improvements and water line extensions for Eberhardt Village which is finished. A part of the grant program is the ability to talk about housing needs, drainage issues, etc. President Kingery stated the Village is battling drainage issues and has a deteriorating infrastructure. The Regional Planning Commission can assist the Village. President Kingery asked him to also contact Lisa Eller of the Arthur Economic Development Committee.

#### **Approval of Previous meeting minutes**

The regular meeting minutes of June 1, 2009; the Water and Sewer Committee meeting minutes of June 8, 2009; and the special board meeting minutes of June 8, 2009; were approved as presented. The Tourism Committee meeting minutes of June 10, 2009, were approved as corrected.

#### **President Comments and Announcements**

- President Kingery thanked the AAAOC for the dinner and program last Tuesday night.
- At the recent Strawberry Jam, it was noticed that the Bradford trees around the gazebo are losing leaves. He reviewed the care instructions from the Extension Office.
- President Kingery reviewed the Street and Alley projects that are in progress.
- He reviewed his conversations with IDOT about the buggy paths on Route 133.
- A work session has been scheduled for Monday, June 29.
- He stated most of the complaints he's received have been about dogs and drainage. He asked citizens to be good neighbors.

#### **Treasurer Report**

S. Perrine commented on the financial documents. No problems were found with the Motor Fuel Tax audit from 2007 – 2008.

#### **Visitor Comments**

Visitors were Marsha Bowyer, Bob Doan, George Fritz, Jeff Lahr, Rod Randall, and Marvin Sanders. Village employees present were Jeff Mercer and Sue Perrine. Marvin Sanders commented about trailers being on the streets in his neighborhood for an extended period of time. He has been in contact with Chief Mike Goodman. He also commented about drivers not stopping for pedestrians.

#### **Trustee Reports**

T. Clark requested the crossing signs be put up on Vine Street and commented on the numerous potholes in the buggy lanes and the highway on Route 133.  
M. McWilliams commented on the inappropriate lyrics at festivities at the fairgrounds last weekend. This was a problem two years ago as well.  
President Kingery reviewed a report from the Street & Alley Committee.

#### **Police Chief Report—Absent**

#### **Village Attorney Report**

R. Crossman also commented on the bands at the June Bug Jam this weekend.

#### **Old Business**

President Kingery stated he received a card from Barb Eckstein thanking the Board for approving the signs for all military personnel.

#### **New Business**

R. Crossman presented information about the sign requested from Eberhardt Village being over a sanitary sewer. The Zoning Board recommended approving the zoning variance request from Community Retirement, Inc. J. Mercer stated if it needs to be moved, it will be at their expense. M. Bernius made a motion to concur with the Zoning Board. T. Clark seconded. M. Bernius expressed concern about all of the lighted signs being installed along Route 133. All Trustees and President Kingery voted YEA. The Ordinance number will be 06-15A-09.

R. Crossman presented information from the Zoning Board approving a zoning variance for 128 E. Illinois replacing an existing sign with a lighted digital sign at Illinois and Hickory Streets. B. Doan showed a picture of the sign and explained some details about the sign. T. Clark made a motion to accept the variance requests. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees and President Kingery voted YEA. The Ordinance number will be 06-15B-09.

R. Kingery reviewed the recommendation from the Tourism Committee regarding requests from the Moultrie-Douglas Fair Board and the Arthur Area Association of Commerce. The Committee's recommendation is to donate \$1,500 to the Fair Board and \$9,500 to the Association of Commerce. M. McWilliams reviewed the balance and the approximate income per year for the account. M. McWilliams made a motion to approve the Committee's recommendation. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees and President Kingery voted YEA.

President Kingery explained the Douglas County Highway Department's offer regarding signage. An employee is available to put signs on GPS for \$600, including the Moultrie County side of the Village. M. Bernius made a motion to participate with Douglas County Highway Department in recognition of the signage and grant proposal being written for about \$600. M. McWilliams seconded. All Trustees and President Kingery voted YEA.

J. Mercer explained the setback zones around wells, currently at 500 feet. He explained extending that to 1,000 feet, since a new gas main has been installed, will be more protection for the Village. There was discussion regarding any potential litigation. M. McWilliams made a motion to approve the minimum and maximum setback zones as submitted. T. Clark seconded. All Trustees and President Kingery voted YEA. The Ordinance number will be 06-15C-09.

President Kingery reviewed an update about the Arthur / Atwood Road Water Main Relocation Project. M. Bernius made a motion to approve the pay request #2 for the project for \$41,706.66. M. McWilliams seconded. All Trustees and President Kingery voted YEA.

R. Crossman reviewed the Prevailing Wage Ordinance. T. Clark made a motion to approve the Prevailing Wage Ordinance. M. Bernius seconded. Trustees Clark and Bernius and President Kingery voted YEA. Trustee McWilliams voted NAY. Motion was defeated.

M. McWilliams made a motion to reconsider the previous motion. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees and President Kingery voted YEA.

M. McWilliams made a motion to approve the Prevailing Wage Ordinance. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees and President Kingery voted YEA. The Ordinance number will be 06-15D-09.

#### **Approve Expenditures**

T. Clark made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$26,450.48. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

T. Clark made a motion to approve May expenditures not yet approved in the amount of \$125,697.51. M. McWilliams seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **Adjourn**

M. McWilliams made a motion to adjourn; M. Bernius seconded. President Kingery adjourned the meeting at 7:57pm.

APPROVED *Ronald R. Kingery*  
Village President

ATTEST *Jennifer M. Perrini*  
Village Clerk

DATE *July 6, 2009*