

March 2, 2009

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, IL, was held on Monday, March 2, 2009. Village President David Conlin called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Russell Perrine, Shirley Stone, Mike Hilgenberg and Mike McWilliams. Trustees Matt Bernius and Darrell Duzan were absent.

Approval of Previous meeting minutes

The regular meeting minutes of February 16, 2009, and the Water and Sewer Committee meeting minutes of February 24, 2009, were approved as presented.

Remembrances

A moment of silence was held in honor of Marvin Sanders and Ellen Seaman.

President Comments and Announcements

President Conlin stated after paying severance for five months for John McCurtain, he filed an unemployment compensation claim for that time.

Visitor Comments

Visitors present were Terry Clark, Trudi Crossman, Iris Dicks, David and Shirley Hale, and Wayne Risley. Village employees Sue Perrine and Steve Peterson were also present.

Trustee Reports

M. McWilliams thanked everyone for the sympathy shown during his mother-in-law's passing.

Police Chief Report—None

Village Attorney Report

R. Crossman stated the Village will file an objection for John McCurtain's unemployment compensation claim. He was paid for that time, and the claim was not filed correctly. He talked with Matthew Jones regarding money available from the stimulus package. The money has already been distributed to the states, so citizens need to write legislators to convey the importance of the Palmer Street bridge project. The Village did receive an easement for Palmer Street bridge project; there is still one outstanding. Once that is received, the project is "shovel ready" when the money is in place.

Old Business

All of the easements for the Arthur-Atwood road project have been signed except for David and Shirley Hale's. David has talked with Mike Sullivan; it has been agreed to bore under the Hale's property. They will receive some of the clay dirt from the project. R. Perrine made a motion to accept changes to the easements as submitted. M. Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

S. Perrine stated M. Bernius accepted the high bid on eBay for the 2002 Ford Crown Victoria police car from Aaron Halliday for \$2,052. He wants to pick up the car tomorrow; he has put \$200 down and will pay the rest in cash when he picks up the car. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to accept the bid from Aaron Halliday in the amount of \$2,052 for the police car. M. McWilliams seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

New Business

Sergeant R. Hansen requested that the location of the golf cart and UTV stickers be moved from the front of the vehicles to the back. R. Perrine made a motion to change the location of the golf cart / UTV stickers to the slow moving vehicle sign on the back of the vehicle. S. Stone seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. The Ordinance Number will be 03-02a-09.

One of the topics discussed at the Water and Sewer Committee meeting was that the South Vine Street manholes are in a high traffic area, are deteriorating, and need to be repaired. Engineer Mike Sullivan recommended an Indiana company. Steve Peterson described the method this company uses to repair manholes. An estimate from this company is about \$23,000. R. Perrine made a motion to allow be manhole repair project be advertised for bids. M. McWilliams seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Last summer, Russ Hayes worked as extra help. Last year, he was paid \$8.35 per hour, 60 cents above minimum wage. Minimum wage will increase to \$8 per hour as of July 1. Last year, he reported to Jim Watkins, but was used by all departments. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to hire Russ Hayes at a rate of \$9.00 per hour. M. McWilliams seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Approve Expenditures

M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$16,459.94. S. Stone seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

After brief discussion, all Trustees agreed to change the terms of the agreement with David and Shirley Hale to 24 months.

S. Perrine brought the Board up to date on several items. Although a notice has not been received from the State Bank, the first payment for the street sweeper is due on March 4 for \$15,456.36. She distributed Statements of Economic Interest to a few Trustees; she will return those all together in one packet. She has been in discussions with CINTAS regarding their prices; she is only paying the agreed upon amount. A representative from the IMRF came to audit the accounts; no problems were found. She read a letter from the IMRF Executive Director regarding the article in the *Graphic*. She will be attending an authorized agent workshop in June in Champaign. A pre-application loan has been submitted to the IEPA. President Conlin stated it is a no interest loan which will be used for the rest of the water meters.

Adjourn

R. Perrine made a motion to adjourn; M. McWilliams seconded. President Conlin adjourned the meeting at 7:26pm.

APPROVED David J. Conlin
Village President

ATTEST Jennifer Perrine
Village Clerk

DATE March 16, 2009