

June 1, 2009

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, IL, was held on Monday, June 1, 2009. Village President Ron Kingery called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Terry Clark, Karen Good, Darrell Duzan, Matt Bernius, Mike McWilliams, and Iris Dicks.

Approval of Previous meeting minutes

The regular meeting minutes of May 18, 2009; the Executive Session meeting minutes of May 18, 2009; and the Finance Committee meeting of May 26, 2009; were approved as presented.

President Comments and Announcements

- The Arthur Area Association of Commerce Annual Meeting / Employee Event will be June 9th at the Kaskaskia Club at 5:30pm; dinner will begin at 6:30pm. The invitation is extended to all full-time employees. T. Clark stated the invitation is also extended to the Board members at their cost of \$12.50.
- Grass clippings can be taken to the Pumpkin Patch. The Village continues to pick up yard waste, but not grass clippings.
- A new Mexican restaurant, Micasita, will be going into the old Horizon building.
- President Kingery had an informational meeting with Kaye Dick regarding ideas about selling lots.
- President Kingery has talked with Reps. Chapin Rose and Bob Flider regarding state money for the Palmer Street bridge.
- The Department of Natural Resources has done an audit of new construction in the flood plain. To be entitled to any money when there is flooding, codes must be followed.
- The Arthur Atwood Road is now closed to pull out the bridge. A water line is also being tied into the project.
- The railroad cross on Industrial Drive is being checked since it is so rough.
- There is a problem with a drainage ditch on the north side of Progress St. Some clean up needs to be done to improve water flow in that area.
- President Kingery has contacted IDOT in Paris due to the safety concerns for the buggy paths on Route 133. M. Goodman reported a crew looked at the culvert on Friday.
- Due to Dick Hein's health, President Kingery appointed Steve Peterson as interim ESDA liaison. S. Peterson has talked with Joe Victor about training. J. Victor has begun a Code Red program, which can call and notify everyone in Arthur about an emergency.
- Jim Crane, Douglas Co. Highway Engineer, has offered to put all of the Village's signs, including the ones on the Moultrie County side, on GPS and a database. He has applied for a grant for the county.

Visitor Comments

Visitors present were Codi Singer and Bryce Yantis. Village employees Sue Perrine and Steve Peterson were also present.

C. Singer and B. Yantis made a presentation about post-prom.

Trustee Reports

- T. Clark thanked the Board for working together towards the new budget.
- D. Duzan met with the Association of Commerce, coordinated Street and Alley activities with employees, updated the project schedule, reported Strawberry Jam is this weekend, requested the yard waste policy and that The Great Pumpkin Patch will take grass clippings be published in the newspaper, stated he would have information for discussion and action for the 100E project at the next meeting. He's not able to attend the next meeting.
- M. Bernius commented about the Board working together on the budget. There will be a Water and Sewer meeting next Monday at 7pm.
- D. Duzan left the meeting briefly.
- M. McWilliams thanked S. Perrine for her work and announced the Village's website is live at www.arthur-il.gov. S Perrine reviewed some of the work still needing to be done.

-I. Dicks sent thank you notes to Patti Jurgens and Bruce Woods for the work they've done for downtown beautification.

Police Chief Report

The monthly report for May was at each Trustee's place.

Chief Goodman received a thank you note from the Arthur American Legion Auxiliary for bike rodeo and reported on the event.

He reported some facts about grant awards for the in car camera the Village received recently. He was notified today the Village was not awarded a grant for a new squad car.

Village Attorney Report

There are two zoning hearings scheduled in the next couple of weeks.

Old Business

D. Duzan returned during the first item of Old Business.

T. Clark presented and commented on the proposed Appropriations for 2009-10. T. Clark made a motion to adopt the Appropriations Ordinance for \$4,291,517; M. Bernius seconded. S. Perrine reviewed some of the updates. All Trustees voted YEA. The Ordinance number will be 06-01A-09.

President Kingery talked with Barb Eckstein, President of Arthur's American Legion Auxiliary, regarding the potential number of military service personnel plaques. She hadn't received any return phone calls. D. Duzan found five people from Arthur in his research. There was brief discussion regarding the potential number and the location of the plaques. M. Bernius made a motion to allow the American Legion Auxiliary to display plaques for all military personnel, one plaque per pole. D. Duzan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. On behalf of the American Legion Auxiliary, J. Perrine thanked the Board for their action.

New Business

President Kingery reported on his discussions with business owners regarding Class A liquor sales on Sundays. The owners would like to keep the option. There was discussion regarding continuing the sales on Sundays, the length of the continuance, and sales at the new Mexican restaurant. M. Bernius made a motion to continue to allow Class A liquor sales on Sundays for a 12-month period. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. The Ordinance number will be 06-01B-09.

M. Bernius made a motion to allow Jeff Mercer and Gary Jent to attend the 78th Annual IL Potable Water Supply Operators Conference in Springfield on September 23 – 25 for \$165 per person. M. McWilliams seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

President Kingery explained changes to Matt Schrock's position, working more in the Street and Alley Department. He will help with watering flowers, as well as other duties for 24 hours per week, which will allow other employees to give attention to other projects.

The Village's rate with the current health insurance carrier will increase 10.9% for next year. Another bid, from Health Alliance PPO, was received that could save \$9,000 to \$60,000. S. Perrine explained the potential changes with coverage and premiums. The exact numbers from Health Alliance won't be received for a couple of days. President Kingery tabled any action until a Special Board meeting scheduled for next Monday, June 8, at 7pm. The Water and Sewer meeting was moved to 6:30pm. If the Village decides to stay with the current carrier, the State of Illinois, that must be declared before the next Board meeting. This will allow time to receive the specific numbers and for additional employee feedback.

Approve Expenditures

T. Clark made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$19,210.63. D. Duzan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

M. Bernius explained the history about a document regarding an insurance claim in the Trustee's packets.

Adjourn

M. McWilliams made a motion to adjourn; M. Bernius seconded. President Kingery adjourned the meeting at 8:09pm.

APPROVED Ronald H. Kingery
Village President

ATTEST Jennifer Perrine
Village Clerk

DATE June 15, 2009