

May 2, 2011

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, IL, was held on Monday, May 2, 2011. Village President Matt Bernius called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Terry Clark, Karen Good, Larry Miller, JD Kuhns, and Iris Dicks. Trustee Mike McWilliams was absent.

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

The regular meeting minutes of April 18, 2011; the Finance Committee meeting minutes of April 25, 2011; and the Street and Alley Committee meeting of April 28, 2011 were approved as presented. K. Good made a motion to approve the Executive Session meeting minutes of April 18, 2011, as presented. J. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. I. Dicks made a motion to approve the Finance Committee meeting Executive Session minutes as corrected. L. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **Oath of Office**

Village Clerk Jennifer Perrine administered the Oath of Office to Trustees Larry Miller, JD Kuhns, and Dave Tiffan.

#### **Roll Call**

Roll call was answered by Trustees Terry Clark, Karen Good, Larry Miller, JD Kuhns, Dave Tiffan, and Iris Dicks.

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

- President Bernius will be attending a breakfast meeting tomorrow with the Village employees funded by IDOT regarding upcoming projects – utilities, etc.
- He announced that Brandon Potthast passed his test for mosquito spraying.

#### **Trustees' Reports**

- I. Dicks stated the sign for the Welcome Center was re-painted and re-hung. Some of the flag pole is painted; it will be finished when the guttering is worked on.
- K. Good stated that the closing on the two Meadowview lots was held this morning. She stated Dick Hein has talked with her about flooding at the cemetery. He has a proposal for the Village to consider. She talked with Patti Jurgens; the junipers are ready to be re-planted, and the hanging baskets will be hung in mid-May. There will be a Street and Alley meeting on Thursday morning to discuss plans for a new truck.
- T. Clark stated that the citizens need to know that the Trustees are aware of those flooding situations and that they are working on them.
- K. Good stated I. Dicks and Jim Watkins met with a representative from IDOT regarding a 2-block section of Columbia that is overgrown with dandelions. J. Watkins will be working with IDOT so that it will look nice but not have erosion. The representative stated there might be money available to help with this project. Some of the buggy lanes have some build up on the edge so that water does not drain into the ditch. Someone at Douglas County has been contacted to fix this.

#### **Police Chief's Report – Absent**

President Bernius stated the monthly report was at each Trustee's place.

#### **Village Attorney's Report**

- R. Crossman stated he received the check for the two Meadowview lots.
- He has talked with the person asking about the cell tower site. That person is working on a plat for what they are doing. R. Crossman continues to work on that ordinance.

#### **Visitors' Comments – None**

#### **Old Business – None**

#### **New Business**

- K. Good stated the Street and Alley Committee would like to advertise for bids for a new truck. There was discussion regarding when bids would be due back. K. Good made a motion to advertise for bids for the purchase of a new one-ton truck this summer. L. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

- Discussion and action on the cell tower siting ordinance was tabled.
- T. Clark made a motion to approve payment of \$13,520.50 for the engineering fees to date regarding the Palmer Street Bridge Project. This is funded through the grant. J. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- K. Good made a motion to approve \$20,496.96 for the Pay Estimate #1 regarding the Palmer Street Bridge Project. L. Miller seconded. K. Good corrected the amount in her motion to \$20,494.96. J. Kuhns seconded the corrected motion. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius appointed the following Committees:
  - Finance: T. Clark, Chair; K. Good
  - Human Resources: K. Good, Chair; D. Tiffan
  - Police: M. Bernius, Chair; I. Dicks; D. Tiffan
  - Street & Alley: L. Miller, Chair; J. Kuhns
  - Water & Sewer: J. Kuhns, Chair; L. Miller
  - Community Relations / Tourism: I. Dicks, Chair; T. Clark
- President Bernius appointed Robert Crossman as the Village Attorney.
- President Bernius appointed Dick Hein as the ESDA Liaison, his 45<sup>th</sup> year.
- President Bernius appointed Sue Perrine as the Village Comptroller / Treasurer.
- President Bernius designated the State Bank of Arthur as the depository.
- President Bernius stated Village Board meetings would be the first and third Monday evenings at 7pm in the Village Board Room.

**Approve Expenditures**

- T. Clark made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$14,402.59. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

**Adjourn**

President Bernius adjourned the meeting at 7:34pm.

APPROVED *R. Matt Bernius*  
Village President

ATTEST *Jennifer M. Perrine*  
Village Clerk

DATE *May 16, 2011*