

April 6, 2009

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, IL, was held on Monday, April 6, 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, Matt Bernius, Mike McWilliams and Darrell Duzan.

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

The regular meeting minutes of March 16, 2009, and the Finance Committee meeting of March 23, 2009, were approved as corrected. The Street and Alley Committee meeting of March 25, 2009, were approved as presented.

#### **Remembrances**

A moment of silence was held in honor of Terry Dukeman.

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

President Conlin reminded everyone Election Day is tomorrow, April 7. He appreciates the efforts of all of the Village President and Trustee candidates.

The Finance Committee scheduled a meeting for next Monday, April 13, at 5pm.

Sue Perrine and President Conlin will involve the Village President-elect in budget discussions next week during the Finance Committee meeting.

#### **Visitor Comments**

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

#### **Trustee Reports**

D. Duzan thanked the Fire and Police Departments for the parade for Tosha's homecoming. The Street and Alley Committee is working on a plan with Jim Watkins.

M. McWilliams wished luck to all the candidates.

M. Bernius wants to make a recommendation to the Finance Committee at their next meeting.

R. Perrine reminded everyone that clean up days are in early May.

M. Hilgenberg read a statement in response to a Village President candidate regarding his statements at the "Meet the Candidates" night and in the *Arthur Graphic-Clarion*.

#### **Police Chief Report**

The monthly report was distributed in the packets.

He read a letter from Dick Hein regarding night time use of golf carts. He stated several other residents have also requested the ability to use their golf carts at night. This was referred to the Police Committee.

He requested a Police Committee meeting be scheduled.

#### **Village Attorney Report**

The Village was turned down for the first round of stimulus package money. After checking the accuracy, they were incorrect. After talking with Matthew Jones, the Village is requesting a review, as they may have mis-measured the bridge. All correspondence in support of the project should be sent to [www.illinoisrecovery.org](http://www.illinoisrecovery.org).

#### **Old Business—None**

#### **New Business**

A couple of ideas came from the work on the safe sidewalks grant to improve the traffic flow and safety of dropping off / picking up children at the Grade School. One was to make the traffic one-way south on Ash Street between Park and Lincoln Streets. The effected business owner and residents are in favor of the change. Chief Goodman recommends enacting the ordinance now, but making it effective August 1, allowing time to publicize the change, ordering signage, etc. Another idea was to limit parking on the south side of Lincoln Street. M. Bernius made a motion to make Ash Street between Park and Lincoln one-way southbound effective August 1. D. Duzan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. The ordinance number will be 04-06a-09.

D. Duzan made a motion to enact no parking on the south side of Lincoln St. between Vine and Ash Streets from 7am to 4pm on school days when school is in session. M. Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. The ordinance number will be 04-06b-09.

M. Goodman stated there are six unused, outdated computer monitors in the Police Department. He wants five of them declared excess equipment; one will be kept as a back-up. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to declare five monitors as excess equipment. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

M. Goodman stated changing Village Code 6-5-14 will help return dogs at large to their owners. He suggests changing the \$50 fine to having the dogs micro-chipped (\$45) and having owners complete a registration form. R. Perrine made a motion to make the recommended changes. D. Duzan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. The ordinance number will be 04-06c-09.

M. Hilgenberg reviewed the discussions from the Finance Committee meetings with the Park Board regarding the swimming pool. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to pay \$16,340 towards the operating loss of the pool. S. Stone seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

The Arthur Area Association of Commerce requests \$8,000 to support festivals and other community activities. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to donate \$8,000 to the Association of Commerce. S. Stone seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

R. Crossman reviewed the required Red Flag Rules and the documented he drafted. M. McWilliams made a motion to adopt the Red Flag Rules. D. Duzan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

R. Perrine made a motion to accept change order #2 from Burdick Plumbing and Heating for the Arthur Atwood road project in the amount of \$2,156. D. Duzan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

S. Perrine stated a new company, WT Salvage, offered to pick up appliances on clean up days. They will pick up all appliances at no charge to the Village or residents. R. Perrine made a motion to try working with WT Salvage for one year. M. McWilliams seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

S. Perrine updated the Board on several items. There will be a bid opening for the manholes on April 16. She and Jeff Mercer are working on the CCR water report. The Department of Labor did an inspection; there were four minor violations, and all of them have been resolved. The Motor Fuel Tax audit for 2007-2008 is due by the end of this month. She reviewed the payments and reimbursements for the engineering bills from Mike Sullivan. The Village President and Trustees will be paid at the end of the month. She reviewed the activity on the Village's website.

#### **Approve Expenditures**

M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$56,360.38. S. Stone seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **Adjourn**

R. Perrine made a motion to adjourn; M. Bernius seconded. President Conlin adjourned the meeting at 8:15pm.

APPROVED David J. Conlin  
Village President

ATTEST Jennifer Perrine  
Village Clerk

DATE April 20, 2009