

January 7, 2013

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, IL, was held on Monday, January 7, 2013, in the Village Board Room. Village President Matt Bernius called the meeting to order at 7:04pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Terry Clark, Karen Good, Larry Miller, and Iris Dicks. Trustee Dave Tiffan arrived just after Roll Call, and Trustee J.D. Kuhns was absent.

Approval of Previous meeting minutes

The regular meeting minutes and the second Executive Session minutes of December 17, 2012, were approved as presented. The first Executive Session minutes of December 17, 2012, were approved was corrected.

Village President Comments and Announcements

- President Bernius stated the Arthur EMT's were not able to attend tonight; they will attend the February 4th meeting.

Presentation by Arthur EMT's

- The EMT's will attend the February 4th meeting.

Trustees' Reports

- I. Dicks stated there was an article in Decatur newspaper that Lisa Madigan has signed on against the Clinton landfill.
- K. Good passed around pictures of trash, etc. on a property on Illinois Street. The trash would come under the nuisance ordinance; the pictures were given to Sergeant Roger Hansen to follow-up.
- T. Clark asked the Police Department to address the excessive speeding in the downtown area.

Police Chief's Report – None

Village Attorney's Report

- Attorney Robert Crossman researched the conflict of interest question from the last meeting. The amendment of the statute – 50 ILCS 105-3(b-5) and 65 ILCS 5/3.1-55-10(b-5) – was read into the minutes and they took notice of the ILCS and the appointment.

“(b-5) In addition to the above exemptions, any elected or appointed member of the governing body may provide materials, merchandise, property, services, or labor if:

- (1) the contract is with a person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, or cooperative association in which the interested member of the governing body of the municipality, advisory panel, or commission has less than a 1% share in the ownership; and
- (2) the award of the contract is approved by a majority vote of the governing body of the municipality provided that any such interested member shall abstain from voting; and
- (3) such interested member publicly discloses the nature and extent of his interest before or during deliberations concerning the proposed award of the contract; and
- (4) such interested member abstains from voting on the award of the contract, though he shall be considered present for the purposes of establishing a quorum.”

Based on that information, he believes all of those conditions have been met and awarding the contract is not a conflict.

- The defense attorney has not filed anything for the ordinance violation case. A hearing regarding the injunctive relief is on January 17. He will talk with Police Chief Goodman about the current status. He has discussed some options that would not be acceptable in a settlement situation with co-counsel.

Visitors' Comments

- Visitors present were Patti Grant, Rod Randall, and Village employee Sue Perrine.

- R. Randall made a presentation regarding water billing. He outlined all of the struggles and glitches with the new hardware and software since June. In the last few months, some accounts were overcharged and some were undercharged. They have a phone meeting scheduled with JayHawk Software on January 14.
- S. Perrine reported tomorrow at 7:15am there will be a meeting about extra benefit packages for employees.
- There is a mandatory meeting on January 17 for CPR and AED training for all full-time and permanent part-time employees at the Extension Office. Sgt. Hansen and Jeff Mercer have their training schedule for a later time.

Old Business

- President Bernius met with Jeff Mercer, Engineer Mike Sullivan, and a representative from Water Well Solutions. He reviewed the problem with bacteria in the well casings, the steps that needs to happen to take care of that as well as well as the next steps after that cleaning. Samples will be taken throughout the process to set benchmarks. He reviewed the estimate of \$71,164. The work is tentatively scheduled for next week, pending Board approval. It will take one week to clean each well. L. Miller moved to renew the casings at the wells at a cost of \$71,164. I. Dicks seconded. It is from Water Well Solutions for cleaning the well casings. All Trustees voted YEA.
- T. Clark made a motion to enter Executive Session about Village owned railroad property (5ILCS 120/2(c)(6)), the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius re-opened the meeting. Trustees present were T. Clark, K. Good, L. Miller, D. Tiffan, and I. Dicks.
- President Bernius tabled any action regarding the railroad property for further discussion.

New Business

- K. Good made a motion to allow Police Chief Mike Goodman and Sergeant Roger Hansen to attend the Southern Illinois Criminal Justice Summit on February 27-28 in Mt. Vernon at a cost of \$125 per person plus travel expenses. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius wants the building permit fee schedule reviewed in committee. Residents try to rush permits through, and he suggested a waiting period to allow all aspects to be reviewed including JULIE requests. This will be discussed further at a later meeting.
- President Bernius reviewed the cost of repairing the blower at the sewer digester building. The cost to repair the blower is \$1,339 with a 1-year warranty; the cost of a new one is \$1,854 with a 2-year warranty. One of the blowers has not worked for several years, but one should be had for a back-up system. L. Miller moved to buy a new pump / motor for the sewer digester building at a cost of \$1,854. I. Dicks seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

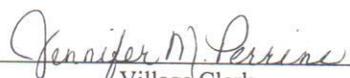
Approve Expenditures

- T. Clark made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$12,081.49. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Adjourn

President Bernius adjourned the meeting at 8:05pm.

APPROVED 
Village President Pro-Tem

ATTEST 
Village Clerk

DATE January 21, 2013