

November 4, 2013

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, IL, was held on Monday, November 4, 2013, in the Village Board Room. Village President Matt Bernius called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Terry Clark, Karen Good, Dave Tiffan, and James Aikman. Trustees Larry Miller and JD Kuhns were absent.

Approval of Previous meeting minutes

The regular meeting minutes of October 21, 2013, were approved as presented.

Village President Comments and Announcements

- President Bernius thanked the Public Works (Street & Alley, Water, Sewer) employees for their work.

Trustees' Reports

- J. Aikman has had inquiries about discarding hazardous materials. President Bernius asked him to do some research, and this might be able to be added to the spring's Clean-Up days.
- D. Tiffan has had questions about the condition of some of our streets and why the new equipment is not being used. He congratulated the football team.
- K. Good commented on the Pumpkin Pixie. She stated the Touch-a-Truck event will be May 17th next year.
- T. Clark congratulated the volleyball team on their success. He talked with the Postmaster about mis-delivered mail. President Bernius commented on his conversation with the Postmaster.

Police Chief's Report

- Chief Mike Goodman stated he is going through resumes and has done a few initial interviews.
- He distributed the September and October police reports.

Village Attorney's Report

- Robert Crossman updated the Board on the litigation on Cedar Street. There was a \$5,100 ordinance violation fine and an injunction. There was discussion regarding the status of the living arrangements there and what yet needs to be done to resolve this issue. There was discussion about having a building inspector inspect the property. President Bernius asked R. Crossman to meet with M. Goodman about this issue; it will be discussed at the next work session.

Visitors' Comments

Visitors present were Mac Condill, Bob Doan, and Allen Schlabach. B. Doan and M. Condill presented information about the need for a Tourism Director type position for the Village to work with the Economic Development Corporation and the Village.

A work session was scheduled for November 14 at 7pm. This topic will be included.

Old Business

- President Bernius reviewed the previous conversation about signage for businesses on Progress Street. There was discussion about the precedence it would set and enforcing the current ordinance about signs around town. R. Crossman reviewed what is and what is not allowed on public property, what can be controlled by the Village, and some potential challenges. Who would monitor the signs and change them out was discussed but not decided. There were other ideas about private businesses taking care of this, for example something on the side of It'll Do, or a blue directional sign. President Bernius tabled the issue with allowing Country Boy Salvage, Lil Nugget, and June's Treasures to have a small sign at the corner of Progress and Vine. It will be on the agenda for the Work Session on November 14.

New Business

- K. Good made a motion to approve the annual software support agreement for Jayhawk Software for \$450 and the annual renewal of data storage for \$399. J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius reviewed the water meter and water line need for the new Jack Flash building. T. Clark made a motion to waive the water meter purchase fee for Jack Flash for their new construction. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Approve Expenditures

- T. Clark made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$39,324.91. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

President Bernius stated this is Erica Carter's last week before she has her baby.

Adjourn

President Bernius adjourned the meeting at 8:24pm.

APPROVED *R. Matt Bernius*
Village President

ATTEST *Jennifer M. Perrine*
Village Clerk

DATE *November 18, 2013*