

December 7, 2015

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, December 7, 2015, in the Village Board Room. Village President Matt Bernius called the meeting to order at 7:03pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Terry Clark, Karen Good, Paul Pearce, and James Aikman. Trustee Dave Tiffan arrived after roll call. Trustee JD Kuhns was absent.

Approval of Previous meeting minutes

The regular meeting minutes and two executive session meeting minutes of November 16, 2015; the special meeting minutes and two executive session meeting minutes of November 24, 2015; were approved as presented.

Approve Expenditures

- T. Clark made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$152,305.55. P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Village President Comments and Announcements

- President Bernius stated a meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 14 at 9am with Aqua Illinois.
- The Village was notified today about a bill Governor Rauner signed releasing some of the funds the State was holding.

Trustees' Reports

- P. Pearce heard positive comments about Christmas decorations. He thanked the staff for the work to display them. President Bernius would like to see the Village invest in some newer LED lights.
- K. Good stated the Village employees had worked on the ditch along Route 133 across from the old football field. President Bernius stated it helped the drainage on Lincoln Street.
- T. Clark acknowledged Pearl Harbor Day.

Police Chief's Report

- Police Chief Mike Goodman distributed the monthly report.
- He stated 37 6th graders graduated from the DARE program. He will be doing another session in the spring for the 5th graders. The program is designed for students going into junior high, and the 6th grade class has now been moved to the junior high.
- The Police Department has been busier lately with minor burglaries, car break-ins, etc. He encouraged residents to lock their cars and homes and to report any suspicious activity.

Public Works Supervisor's Report

- Public Works Supervisor Grant Corum reported on the ongoing activities.
- Approximately 30-35 meter lids have been replaced in the last few weeks to prevent condensation and freezing.
- Preparations are being made for moving into the new building.
- Safety training will be held this week per Department of Labor recommendations.
- There was a question about employees wearing uniforms. G. Corum stated the uniforms were here and the staff started wearing them last week.

Village Attorney's Report – No report

New Business

- President Bernius reviewed a 6-month agreement with Jayhawk Software for \$225 and \$450 for software support. A 6-month agreement was recommended due to the discussions regarding the sale of the water and sewer facilities. K. Good made a motion to approve the software agreement with Jayhawk for 6 months. J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- Attorney Ken Crossman reviewed the 2015-16 tax levy. K. Good made a motion to approve the 2015-16 tax levy as presented. J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. The Ordinance number will be 12-07A-15.
- K. Crossman reviewed the 2012 alternative revenue bond that needs to be abated each year. T. Clark made a motion to approve the abatement of the 2012 Alternate Revenue Bond as presented. J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. The Ordinance number will be 12-07B-15.
- M. Goodman reviewed some of his questions regarding an intergovernmental agreement with Douglas County Animal Control. In his understanding, there will be additional financial liabilities to the Village than have been incurred before. The County has a meeting about this tomorrow. M. Goodman has additional questions and would like to get more answers. He recommends tabling this matter until a later meeting. President Bernius tabled this matter for additional information.
- Central Power is requesting to hook into a tile the Village and cemetery worked together on several years ago. This would help drainage of an area of their parking lot; all costs will be incurred by Central Power. T. Clark made a motion to all Central Power to hook into the tile as needed. J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- The mini excavator has been rented for four months. Any purchase decision was tabled for additional information and bids.
- K. Crossman presented Executive Session minutes that are eligible to be opened. All other Executive Session minutes will remain closed. Most eligible for opening are regarding collective bargaining and real estate matters. The recordings older than 18 months can be opened and destroyed. K. Good made a motion to open the Executive Session minutes as recommended; P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. The Resolution number is 2015-5.
- K. Good made a motion to open and destroy the recommended recordings. P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. The Resolution number is 2015-6.
- K. Good made a motion to enter into Executive Session. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. This Executive Session is regarding the asset purchase agreement with Aqua. (5ILCS 120/2)(c)(6) The setting of a price for sale or lease of a property owned by the public body.
- President Bernius re-opened the meeting. Trustees present were T. Clark, K. Good, P. Pearce, D. Tiffan, and J. Aikman.
- No action was taken regarding the asset purchase agreement. There is a meeting scheduled for December 14 at 9am.

Adjourn

President Bernius adjourned the meeting at 8:27pm.

APPROVED



Village President