

June 2, 2014

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, IL, was held on Monday, June 2, 2014, 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, Larry Miller, JD Kuhns, Dave Tiffan, and James Aikman.

Public Hearing for the 2014-2015 Proposed Appropriations Ordinance

No comments were made regarding the proposed ordinance.

Approval of Previous meeting minutes

The regular meeting minutes and Executive Session meeting minutes of May 19, 2014, were approved as presented.

Village President Comments and Announcements

- President Bernius stated Strawberry Jam is this coming weekend.
- He commented on graduation and has reached out to the new Superintendent to assist with the transition if needed.

Trustees' Reports

- J. Aikman stated the Arthur Area Association of Commerce dinner is tomorrow night at Yoder's.
- L. Miller stated the patcher is working, but something is backwards. President Bernius is working on an extended warranty.
- K. Good has received a complaint about big trucks and trailers at the end of 5th Street. She will check with Police Chief Goodman.
- T. Clark has fielded calls and visits about letters from Ameren. He's talked with Jim Watkins about the old benches on the sidewalks being in disrepair. He asked that the Village consider purchasing two or three each year to replace the old ones. He will get prices.

Police Chief's Report – Absent, no report

Visitors' Comments

Visitors present were Colby Herschberger and Larry Herschberger.

Village Attorney's Report

- R. Crossman reported on a FOIA request. He recommends going through the code book and updating ordinances regarding building codes.
- He is working on the Otto annexation.
- President Bernius stated Mike Sullivan is working on the legal description for the new Cowboy Church building.

New Business

- D. Tiffan made a motion to enter Executive Session. This Executive Session is regarding discussion and action on the sale of Village owned property. Executive Session (5ILCS120/2(c)(6)). The setting of a price for sale or lease of a property owned by the public body. Also, the discussion and action on review of Executive Session minutes. Executive Session (5ILCS120/2(c)(21)). Discussion of minutes of meeting lawfully closed under this Act, whether for the purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or the semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06 of the Act. J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius re-opened the meeting. All Trustees were present.
- President Bernius stated two candidates were interviewed this morning for summer help. Potential projects were discussed; however, there is no vehicle for this employee. There was discussion about a new truck, perhaps buying something now, then selling it after summer. Time will be split between departments. L. Miller made a motion to hire Curtis Plank part-time at a rate of \$9 per hour for 40 hours per work. J. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

- President Bernius stated there were two bids for the street oil and chip. L. Miller made a motion to accept Ne-Co's bid for oil & chip. J. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- T. Clark made a motion to open the Executive Session minutes as recommended by R. Crossman. J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- T. Clark made a motion to destroy the Executive Session tapes as recommended by R. Crossman. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius commented on the conversations from the beautification meeting earlier in the year. Mac Condill, from The 200 Acres, put together a proposal for landscaping for the Welcome Center and parking lot, the gazebo parking lot, Meadowview sign, and around the Community Building. The written proposal did not include the Community Building and Meadowview, so the prices will increase \$250 each year. Proposed prices are \$3,750 for 2014; \$4,000 for 2015; and \$3,750 for 2016. It will be reviewed annually by both parties. T. Clark made a motion to accept the Village of Arthur Landscaping Proposal. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius reviewed the discussions from Executive Session regarding the sale of Village owned property. It is the railroad property behind Henry Herschberger's farm shop (289') and behind his newly acquired land (111' – the old concrete plant) for a total of \$14,000. T. Clark made a motion to sell the old railroad property of 289' plus 111' on Lot 1 of his current property for \$14,000. J. Aikman seconded. The Ordinance number will be 06-02A-14. Trustees Clark, Good, Miller, Kuhns, and Aikman voted YEA. Trustee Tiffan voted NAY.
- E. Carter presented the Appropriations Ordinance. T. Clark made a motion to approve the appropriations ordinance for 2014-2015 in the amount of \$3,553,397.43. The Ordinance number will be 06-02B-14. J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Approve Expenditures

- T. Clark made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$23,090.34. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Adjourn

President Bernius adjourned the meeting at 8:39pm.

APPROVED *R. Matt Bernius*
Village President

ATTEST *Yvonne M. Perrine*
Village Clerk

DATE *June 16, 2014*