

August 15, 2016

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, August 15, 2016, 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, Paul Pearce, and James Aikman. Trustees JD Kuhns were absent. Trustee Dave Tiffan arrived after roll call.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of previous meeting minutes

The regular meeting minutes and Executive Session meeting minutes of August 1, 2016, were approved as presented.

Approve Expenditures

- T. Clark made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$43,839.17.
- P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Village President Comments and Announcements

- President Bernius thanked everyone for their work while he was away.

Trustees' Reports

- P. Pearce thanked Police Chief Mike Goodman about the letter to the editor about golf carts and safety.
- T. Clark has had some questions about the sidewalk replacement along Route 133. He and Supervisor Grant Corum addressed why this section had been replaced.

Treasurer's Report

- Village Comptroller Erica Carter commented on the financial documents. Overall, only 12% of the budget has been spent a third of the way through the year.

Police Chief's Report

- Police Chief Mike Goodman stated some residences are being coordinated with due to ordinance violations.
- The Department is gearing up for the Cheese Festival.

Public Works Supervisor's Report

- Supervisor Grant Corum reviewed the activity report.
- The Public Works Department also worked on a culvert on Dogwood Drive and emergency service at 515 N. Vine.
- He described some work just east of the Park and Pine intersection.

Village Attorney's Report

- Attorney Kenny Crossman reported on the zoning Board meeting from August 11. He described the re-zoning requested at 504 W. Park. The Zoning Board gave the owners six weeks to comply with their recommendation. T. Clark voiced concerned about this zoning request based on a previous zoning issue. There was discussion about the status of the zoning codes. There was discussion about this property being in the flood plain and what is required for that.
- The Zoning Board recommends approval for the 6' privacy-style fence to be built at 205 W. Boise.

Visitors' Comments

Visitors present were Mac Condill and Stephanie Wierman.

Old Business – None

New Business

- K. Crossman described why the fence at 205 W. Boise needs a variance. There was discussion about the impact of that fence. The residents were not able to attend this

meeting but would be willing to attend the next Board meeting. President Bernius tabled the matter and suggested all Trustees drive by the property.

- A representative from the Moultrie County Assessment Office presented a request on behalf of the State Board of Elections and US Census Bureau for the GIS data. K. Good made a motion to approve the request. J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- S. Wierman presented the parade route for the Cheese Festival which will start at 3:44pm on Saturday. The route will be from Progress Industries west on Progress to Vine, south on Vine to Logan, east on Logan to Pine, north on Pine to Progress. She would also like to set up the Cheese Tent on East Illinois on Thursday night after 5pm. K. Good made a motion to approve both requests; J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- J. Aikman presented a request due to low numbers of volunteers at the Welcome Center. He's requesting to take \$5,000 out of \$10,000 Welcome Center budget towards hiring a part-time person. The Tourism Director and Council are involved. Christy Miller, Tourism Director, would be the lead on hiring with input from a Village representative. Anything over \$5,000 would be the responsibility of the Tourism Council. This position would not negate the volunteers. This would be a one year agreement with a renewal option. T. Clark made a motion to accept the proposal with a reconciliation after 12 months. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- E. Carter presented a request to attend a conference in Springfield. Her sister lives there, so she will stay with her sister. This is the third year of three for her to attend. The networking has been very beneficial. The cost of the conference is \$550. P. Pearce made a motion for E. Carter to attend at the Municipal Clerks of Illinois program. J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- G. Corum presented two bidders for the MFT Road project. It was 6% over the engineer's estimate due to some milling and other work on intersections. \$80,000 will come from the Motor Fuel Tax; the rest will come from the street budget. It will be completed in two phases – from Luke Street north to Progress and Luke Street south. K. Good made a motion to accept the bid from Earl Walker Company to complete the MFT portion of the street repair. P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

President Bernius stated the \$2,500 approved for the engineering bid for the subdivision will not cover the cost. The cost will be closer to \$28-32,000. It will be addressed at the next meeting.

K. Good asked with the open house for Public Works Building would occur. A date for mid-September will be set and announced at the next meeting.

Adjourn

K. Good made a motion to adjourn the meeting. J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

President Bernius adjourned the meeting at 8:01pm.

APPROVED *R. Matt Bernius*
Village President

ATTEST *Jeanette M. Perrine*
Village Clerk

DATE *September 19, 2016*