

September 8, 2015

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, September 8, 2015, 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, JD Kuhns, and James Aikman. Trustee Dave Tiffan was absent.

Approval of Previous meeting minutes

The regular meeting minutes of August 17, 2015, were approved as presented.

Approve Expenditures

- T. Clark made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$70,129.53; P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Village President Comments and Announcements

- President Bernius thanked Village employees and others that helped with the Cheese Festival.

Trustees' Reports

- P. Pearce also thanked everyone for their efforts for the Cheese Festival.
- K. Good asked about the signs around the Village. Police Chief Mike Goodman stated he was waiting for Board direction. Attorney Bob Crossman stated the Village may have some authority on the State right-of-way. This will be addressed in a work session.
- T. Clark thanked Supervisor Grant Corum and the Public Works employees for their work while short-handed. He recognized the loss of Roger Bonham's wife.
- President Bernius also thanked Chief Goodman and his staff for their work during the Festival.

Police Chief's Report

- Chief Goodman included the August report with the Trustee packets.

Public Works Supervisor's Report

- Supervisor Grant Corum appreciated the comments regarding the Cheese Festival.
- President Bernius asked him to continue to look into the next phase of Meadowview.

Village Attorney's Report – None

Visitors' Comments

- Visitors present were Sharon Daily, Wilmer Otto, and Tom Vance.
- Wilmer Otto reported on the historic Amish homes that are currently in the south part of the Village. He, Tom Vance, and Bob Doan are searching for another location for those homes since they will not be at Rockome Gardens as originally planned. They will be moved soon due to CHI expansion project. Chief Goodman asked that some sort of fencing be place around them for safety reasons.
- S. Daily stated Arthur Woman's Club is planning on having their Halloween Festival on Saturday, October 31. She asked that the Village schedule Trick-or-Treat on Friday.

Old Business – None

New Business

- T. Clark made a motion to have Trick or Treat hours from 5-8pm on Friday, October 30. J. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- S. Daily presented information for a commercial dishwasher for the Community Building. She thinks some community organizations might be willing to donate towards the purchase. She will contact and coordinate with those organizations.
- President Bernius stated Erica Carter is planning to attend the IML Conference on Thursday and Friday; he will be there through Saturday. T. Clark made a motion to approve the attendance to the IML Conference for President Bernius and Erica Carter.

J. Aikman seconded. President Bernius encouraged Trustees to plan to go in the future for education and networking. All Trustees voted YEA.

- G. Corum stated he is waiting on one more bid for the hitchrack. He thinks that the insurance for the company's truck that hit it will pay to construct it as it was. To shorten it by 16' will cost an additional \$800-900. There was discussion regarding future plans for those hitchracks – relocating and financing. P. Pearce made a motion to accept Bernardi Construction's quote #1862 in the amount of \$3,887 to repair the horse hitchrack and cut its size back by 16' to provide for the safety of the citizens and for the thoroughfare efficiency for the IGA. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- Chief M. Goodman reviewed prices to replace the steel door and door frame for the entrance to the Police Department. K. Good made a motion to approve OE Schrock to replace and repair the door for \$1,395. P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius presented information regarding a pressure washer for the Public Works building to extend the life of Village vehicles. The unit is powered by natural gas. There was discussion about the need for the unit, the type of unit needed, and the vendor to choose. J. Kuhns made a motion to accept the bid from C&M Pressure Pump Supply in the amount of \$6,039.43. J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius stated Gerry Hartman is willing to assist with preparing an RFQ; the cost would be no more than \$2,000. He will be involved in public hearings, etc. and will "cover all the bases." If there is a sale, the cost will probably be reimbursed. T. Clark made a motion to hire Gerry Hartman to assist with the RFQ; J. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- P. Pearce made a motion to enter Executive Session; J. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. This Executive Session was to discuss a resolution adopting the Illinois Municipal League's Early Retirement Incentive and personnel. (5ILCS 120/2)(c)(1) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.
- President Bernius re-opened the meeting. Trustees present were T. Clark, K. Good, P. Pearce, J. Kuhns, and J. Aikman.
- K. Good made a motion to adopt the Early Retirement Incentive through the Illinois Municipal League's plan. J. Aikman seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- K. Good made a motion to approve the additional temporary medical leave for Storm Smith. J. Kuhns seconded. President Bernius thought it would be about 4 weeks. All Trustees voted YEA.
- New code books were distributed; the old ones need to be returned. If it's not online already, it will be soon. The Board will accept the new code books at the next meeting.
- Electrical aggregation letters are starting to be received by residents.

Adjourn

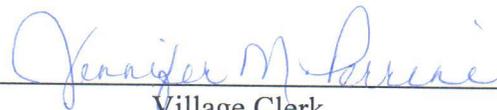
President Bernius adjourned the meeting at 8:18pm.

APPROVED



Village President

ATTEST



Village Clerk

DATE

September 21, 2015