

February 6, 2012

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, IL, was held on Monday, February 6, 2012, 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, JD Kuhns, Dave Tiffan, and Iris Dicks. Trustee Larry Miller was absent.

Approval of Previous meeting minutes

The regular meeting minutes of January 16, 2012, and the Water and Sewer Committee meeting minutes of January 24, 2012, were approved as presented.

Village President Comments and Announcements – None

Trustees' Reports

- D. Tiffan received several complaints about the amount of light from the new lights on Vine Street.
- J. Kuhns has received compliments about the work on sidewalks and curbs.
- K. Good asked if the other lights on Vine Street will have to be changed. Those lights are owned by Ameren, and they will have to change them.
- T. Clark received some positive and negative comments about the Vine Street lights. He stated his perception of what we were supposed to get is different than what we got. He has received comments about the Brewer property on East Illinois Street. The neighbors have the option, per the Village Code, to take action. President Bernius wants to make sure that what the Board promised the neighbors would be done several years ago has been done.

Police Chief's Report – Absent

Village Attorney's Report

- Attorney Robert Crossman stated a couple more ordinance violation letters have been sent.

Visitors' Comments

- Bill Collins was present and stated he plans to do some concrete work at his business, Collins Oil, on Mill Street. He's requesting the Village continue the guttering on Mill Street to the east. He's requesting a meeting with the Street and Alley Committee in the spring to make plans.

Old Business – None

New Business

- J. Kuhns stated the wells need to be flow tested; this will give the wells a benchmark if they need to be checked at a later date. The cost will be \$350 per well. J. Kuhns made a motion to move forward with the flow testing at the wells for \$350 per well. I. Dicks seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius stated there are four properties in town that are hooked to the Village's sewer but not water. He read the Village Code regarding this, and he stated the Code would be enforced. R. Crossman said after the issue with the Mast property, no one in town can use well water for drinking or cooking. After brief discussion, President Bernius tabled the matter to review the ordinance.
- Deputy Clerk Sue Perrine reviewed the procedure when a community event needs to close Route 133 to cross it. T. Clark made a motion to approve the resolution; K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- S. Perrine presented information regarding Village Clean Up days. The procedure and price will be the same as the last two years except that it will be on one day and electronics will be recycled at one location in town. More will need to be spent this year for advertising. T. Clark made a motion to accept the proposal as presented for May 5 as the 2012 Clean Up Day. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius reviewed previous discussions regarding lighting for Palmer Street. Ameren is willing to put a light on the pole at Palmer and Oak Streets. A light also needs to be placed at Route 133 and Palmer Street. He reviewed the cost for wooden

poles versus decorative poles and the monthly charge for each. K. Good made a motion to use the pole in place at Palmer Street and Eberhardt Drive at the new bridge and have Ameren install a new 100-watt light. I. Dicks seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

- There was discussion about the number of lights on Walnut for Meadowview and the lighting in other subdivisions, putting one at the corner with 5th Street and one near the retention pond. The Village would only pay for trenching for the poles, approximately \$260-520. The amount budgeted to spend on the subdivision is \$500. J. Kuhns made a motion to move forward with the poles in Meadowview for a total of \$260-520 with \$10 per light per month. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- S. Perrine updated everyone on the pump for the sewer plant. It arrived; however, the wrong specs were used, and the pump does not fit. There was brief discussion about contingency plans.
- The engineers will be here this week to locate exactly where the pad needs to be on the old Mast property.
- She provided an update on the status of all of the grants.
- She reminded all elected and appointed officials that the training for the Open Meetings Act needs to be completed before December. It's on the State of Illinois' Attorney General's website.
- S. Perrine stated she needs to have any CIMOA meeting reservations tonight. The meeting is at Clinton on February 16th.
- President Bernius announced the next annual meeting about the hazard mitigation is February 16 at 9:30am at the Douglas County Ag Center in Tuscola.
- K. Good made a motion to enter into Executive Session regarding employee compensation. (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body. I. Dicks seconded. All Committee Members voted YEA.
- President Bernius re-opened the meeting; Trustees Clark, Good, Kuhns, Tiffan, and Dicks were present.

Approve Expenditures

- T. Clark made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$8,146.70. K. Good seconded. There was an explanation of the JULIE charge. All Trustees voted YEA.

Adjourn

President Bernius adjourned the meeting at 8:08pm.

APPROVED


Village President

ATTEST


Village Clerk

DATE

February 20, 2012