

June 4, 2012

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, IL, was held on Monday, June 4, 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, Larry Miller, JD Kuhns, and Dave Tiffan. Trustee Iris Dicks was absent.

Approval of Previous meeting minutes

The Water and Sewer Committee meeting minutes of March 30, 2012, and the regular meeting minutes of May 21, 2012, were approved as presented.

Village President Comments and Announcements

- President Bernius announced the bid opening for Motor Fuel Tax has been moved to Monday, June 18, prior to the Board meeting.
- He announced the speaker at the next CIMOA meeting, and encouraged the Trustees to attend.
- He stated the crowd looked pretty good at the Strawberry Jam; there were a couple of mis-communication glitches.
- President Bernius reminded everyone about the Work Session meeting next Monday.

Trustees' Reports

- L. Miller has had several people comment about the lack of vision at the stop sign at the corner of Birch and Illinois Streets; he asked the Police Department to look into it. He asked about who owned what property in front of MasterBrand Cabinet Outlet; the owner of the building owns the concrete area in front of the building. There was brief discussion about parking in that area during festivals.
- K. Good noticed a locksmith at Citgo. President Bernius stated he spoke with a man about the station being re-opened with a restaurant on the north side.
- T. Clark stated someone brought it to his attention that there are no address numbers on the Community Building; someone was trying to put the address into a GPS. He also asked about the handicap accessibility on the new sidewalks being installed.

Police Chief's Report

- Police Chief Mike Goodman stated there had not been a formal request for street closings for festivals. It got resolved for the Strawberry Jam, and there will be a formal request for the balance of the festival schedule.
- He commended Officer Jesse Whitford and Moultrie County Deputy Mark Risley for their actions which led to the arrest of the burglary suspect last week. President Bernius thanked the Department for their work on that case.

Village Attorney's Report

- Attorney Robert Crossman asked to keep some parts of the old sidewalks with the names in the concrete whenever they are replaced.

Visitors' Comments

Village employee Sue Perrine was present.

Old Business

- President Bernius stated Jeff Mercer has been released to work; however, he has limitations on overhead work and outstretched motion work, but he could do office work. He has another appointment on July 3. There was a discussion about his weight limitations, the potential for re-injury until he is fully released, and the non-work activities he's been doing. Brandon Potthast has been working seven days per week since J. Mercer has been off. D. Tiffan made a motion to enter Executive Session (Illinois Statutes, 5ILCS 120/2)(c)(1) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body. J. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius re-opened the meeting. Trustees present were T. Clark, K. Good, L. Miller, J. Kuhns, and D. Tiffan.
- President Bernius tabled action regarding Village employee, Jeff Mercer's, return to work on light duty until the second meeting in July.

New Business

- President Bernius briefly reviewed the presentation by Coles County Regional Planning and Development Commission regarding GIS mapping. The agreement would not exceed \$25,000; he would like to pay \$10,000 this fiscal year and \$15,000 in the next fiscal year. There are interns available now to start. L. Miller made a motion to enter into an agreement with Coles County Regional Planning and Development for GIS mapping for \$10,000 this fiscal year and \$15,000 next fiscal year, not to exceed \$25,000. J. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius reviewed the problem of citizens not getting building permits before work is started and the Zoning Board's recommendation of doubling the cost of the permit in those cases. A building permit is usually between \$10 and \$20. The violation occurs when someone begins a project without a permit. R. Crossman stated variances are different. T. Clark made a motion to adopt the policy as presented by the Zoning Board to double the cost for an infraction. The Ordinance number will be 06-04a-12. L. Miller seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- R. Crossman reviewed the Zoning Board's agreement that the Village should be enforcing the zoning of 1.5 miles of the Village limits in Douglas County. He reviewed the zoning classifications in that area and his suggestions. President Bernius asked R. Crossman to come up with specific suggestions and present them to the Zoning Board.

Approve Expenditures

- T. Clark made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$6,404.22. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Adjourn

President Bernius adjourned the meeting at 7:58pm.

APPROVED *R. Matt Bernius*
Village President

ATTEST *Jennifer M Perrine*
Village Clerk

DATE *June 18, 2012*