

September 17, 2012

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, IL, was held on Monday, September 17, 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, Dave Tiffan, and Iris Dicks. Trustee JD Kuhns was absent.

**Public Hearing concerning the intent of the Village to sell General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Waterworks and Sewerage System Alternate Revenue source) and General Obligations Bonds** – No ~~one was present to make~~ comments. *were made.*

#### **Annual Audit Report**

Kevin Buckley of McGuire, Yuhas, Huffman & Buckley, P.C. reviewed the annual audit for the Village. *He thanked Sue Perrine for her work, ~~and~~ knowledge, and preparation for the audit.*

#### **Approval of Previous meeting minutes**

- The Police Committee meeting minutes of August 27, 2012, were approved as presented.
- The regular meeting minutes of September 4, 2012, were approved as corrected.
- The Executive Session meeting minutes of September 4, 2012, were approved as presented.

#### **Village President Comments and Announcements**

- President Bernius asked Trustees to turn in RSVPs tonight for the CIMOA meeting on Thursday.
- He stated there were a lot of people in town on Saturday for the bicycle ride. He asked the Board to meet with the Decatur Bike Club regarding safety, signage, and traffic flow before next year's event.
- Coles County Regional Planning sent a map regarding GIS mapping for water and sewer lines, etc. They are waiting for leaves to fall to bring in equipment to further the project.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

- Village Treasurer Sue Perrine commented on the financial documents.
- For those considering running in the consolidated election next spring, petitions can be picked up beginning September 25. They can be turned in December 17 thru December 24.
- She attended an IMRF meeting last Wednesday.

#### **Trustees' Reports**

- T. Clark stated a lot of other communities envy this Village. He thanked S. Perrine for the audit. There is an Open House meeting tomorrow night at The Pumpkin Patch sponsored by Economic Development. He complimented the Village employees for the work done during the Cheese Festival.
- K. Good stated The Arthur Foundation now has a website – [www.arthurfoundation.com](http://www.arthurfoundation.com). She thanked the Street Department for putting the Meadowview sign back up after it blew down. There was a brief discussion about the location of the limb and landscape waste drop off location.
- L. Miller stated grass clippings and leaves can be taken to The Pumpkin Patch. He reminded citizens to put their landscape waste on their property, not the Village's.
- D. Tiffan stated the flowers still look nice.
- I. Dicks stated that slow moving vehicles (wheelchair-type vehicles, etc.) without lights in the buggy lanes, especially during fog, are dangerous. She will talk with Police Chief Goodman. She asked Attorney Crossman about the lawsuit.

**Police Chief's Report** – Absent

**Village Attorney's Report** – None

#### **Visitors' Comments**

Visitors present were James Aikman, Dale Bissonett, Kevin Buckley, George Fritz, Rob Fustin, June Graber, Jim Jurgens, and Village employee Sue Perrine.

D. Bissonett reported on a water problem he has at his business, Lil Nugget, when it rains. He explained the water flow in that area. President Bernius asked the Street and Alley Committee to work with Jim Watkins about the problem.

**Old Business** – None

**New Business**

- President Bernius stated the State Bank of Arthur can refund the 2003 Water Plant General Obligation Bond directly. The Village will save \$15,515 through 2018. There will be some legal fees, and it will take about three weeks. New bonds will be issued. T. Clark made a motion to refund the General Obligation bond with the State Bank of Arthur at the current rates presented. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- T. Clark made a motion to enter into a contract with First Midstate, Inc. to authorize the issuance of the Waterworks and Sewerage Revenue Refunding Bonds to the current ratings for \$426,000. K. Good seconded. R. Crossman stated there is not a current rate yet. He reviewed contract and the conflict of First Midstate of dealing with the Village fairly and making money from the bonds. All Trustees voted YEA.
- No action was needed regarding additional signage on Dogwood Drive.
- A map was presented regarding street closings for the BBQ Festival. L. Miller asked if street changes occur due to weather that the Village be notified. Village officials are welcome to attend their planning meetings on Wednesday mornings at 7pm at Yoder's. L. Miller made a motion to adopt the CIBR BBQ street planning as proposed. I. Dicks seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- T. Clark made a motion to accept the annual audit report as presented. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

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**Approve Expenditures**

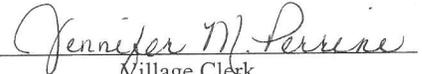
- T. Clark made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$8,241.96. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- T. Clark made a motion to approve August expenditures not yet approved in the amount of \$34,312.75. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

D. Tiffan thanked the State Bank of Arthur for decorating for homecoming.

**Adjourn**

President Bernius adjourned the meeting at 8:10pm.

APPROVED   
Village President

ATTEST   
Village Clerk

DATE October 1, 2012