

September 28, 2009

A special board meeting of the Village of Arthur, IL was held on Monday, September 28, 2009. Village President Ron Kingery called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. Roll call was answered by Trustees Terry Clark, Karen Good, Matt Bernius, and Iris Dicks. Trustee Mike McWilliams joined the meeting soon after. Trustee Darrell Duzan and Clerk Jennifer Perrine were absent. Also present were Kaye Dick, R.J. Cook, and Sgt. Roger Hansen.

President Kingery began the meeting by expressing his appreciation for all the hard work the Board had done so far. He also expressed his appreciation to Trustee Matt Bernius for filling in as Mayor Pro-Tem at the last regular board meeting, spoke about the importance of recognizing all returning service personnel, and that street oiling would begin this coming Wednesday.

**New Business**

M. Bernius made the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss lot sales in Meadowview Subdivision. (Illinois Statutes, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6).) The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body. Seconded by I. Dicks. All Trustees voted YEA.

The regular session resumed. All Trustees were present. President Kingery reopened the meeting.

M. Bernius made the motion to finalize documents for the sale of three lots in Meadowview Subdivision with O.E. Schrock, Inc. by David Combes with the Boards Finance Committee and President Kingery's final approval of the sale. Seconded by T. Clark. All Trustees voted YEA.

K. Good presented information regarding a proposed entrance sign for Meadowview Subdivision. The signage suggested would be located at the northeast corner of the retention pond lot. She also suggested additional split rail fencing to go in front of the pond. Both K. Good and I. Dicks checked on fence prices. Both agreed the project could be done for under \$800 if we do most of the work ourselves. Landscape items could also be purchased at a discount this time of year. I. Dicks offered some ornamental grasses at no charge if someone would come and get them. T. Clark made the motion to approve up to \$1000 towards entrance signage at Meadowview Subdivision. Seconded by K. Good. All Trustees voted YEA.

President Kingery stated the improvements on the bridge located on Industrial Drive had been completed this past Saturday by Dunn Company. If the project was to be done yet this year, the work had to be done on a weekend because of late scheduling. All Trustees received a copy of the bridge assessment report indicating the need for the project. Motion was made by M. Bernius to amend the original commitment for this project by \$300 to \$15,300 in order to pay for any additional expenses Dunn Company would incur. Seconded by K. Good. All Trustees voted YEA.

President Kingery reviewed the drop in sales tax revenues. The drop goes back to Fall 2008. As per the Illinois Municipal Review October 2009 publication, income tax, motor fuel tax, and use tax revenues are also expected to drop in this fiscal year. He stated we may need to raise revenues by possibly increasing some of our fees and fines. R. Kingery asked for ideas from the Trustees. K. Good asked about the possibility of moving the water and sewer billing from Randall Electric to the Visitors Center.

M. Bernius made the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss employee compensation. (Illinois Statutes 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body. Seconded by T. Clark. All Trustees voted YEA.

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Action regarding the Village's revenues and expenses was tabled for more discussion at the October 5, 2009 regular board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

APPROVED Ronald B. Kingery  
Village President

ATTEST Jane A. Perrine  
Village Deputy Clerk

DATE October 5, 2009