

July 6, 2009

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, IL, was held on Monday, July 6, 2009. Village President Ron Kingery called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Terry Clark, Karen Good, Darrell Duzan, Mike McWilliams, and Iris Dicks. Trustee Matt Bernius was absent.

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

The regular meeting minutes of June 15, 2009, and the work session meeting minutes of June 29, 2009, were approved as presented.

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

- President Kingery asked for comments regarding fireworks. M. Goodman stated there weren't any traffic problems.
- He thanked everyone for attending all of the meetings last month.
- He distributed the FEMA training courses that need to be completed.
- Everyone needs to review the written Identity Theft program and sign that it has been received.
- Georgia England, Moultrie County Clerk, has scheduled a Truth in Taxation workshop in the Sullivan High School cafeteria on July 21 at 6:30pm.
- A sheet reviewing costs and information for Clean Up Days was distributed.
- He thanked Village employees for attending a safety meeting last week.
- He reviewed the status of the manhole project.
- The Zoning Board was given a "heads up" for the issues from the Jun 29 work session that need to be reviewed.
- He thanked everyone for the work completed on the gazebo area for an upcoming wedding.
- He asked the Community Relations committee to review the Community Building rental fees.

#### **Visitor Comments**

Rich Buckler from the Vine Street Christian Church reviewed a request for a street closure he will present to the Board at the next meeting. Village employee Sue Perrine was also present.

#### **Trustee Reports**

- D. Duzan stated that a Street and Alley Committee meeting has been scheduled for Thursday at 7pm, pending Engineer Mike Sullivan's schedule, regarding Motor Fuel Tax money.
- I. Dicks thanked President Kingery for trimming trees and shrubs around the gazebo parking lot and Visitor Center. Bruce Wood and George Fritz assisted by donating flowers and mulch.

#### **Police Chief Report**

The monthly report was distributed before the meeting. There have been a few juvenile issues at night; the department is working on that.

There were 20 officers, including seven Arthur officers, for the fireworks event. I. Dicks requested no parking along the 600 block of S. Spruce Street for safety reasons.

#### **Village Attorney Report**

- R. Crossman is coordinating the next Zoning Board meeting.
- A variance request has been received for residential use of an industrial area.

#### **Old Business—None**

#### **New Business**

R. Kingery has spoken with Kaye Dick from Coldwell Banker Realty regarding selling lots for the new subdivision. K. Dick reviewed others who will be helping her with the marketing of the lots and their experience. R. Kingery reviewed her letter from last year. The commission will increase from 5% to 6%; other items will remain the same. There was discussion about curb appeal for the subdivision and changing its name. T. Clark made a motion to hire K. Dick for six months at a 6% commission subject to the terms of the earlier letter. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

D. Duzan made a motion to appoint Iris Dicks to the Tourism Committee. M. McWilliams seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

R. Kingery reviewed previous discussions regarding leaving the doors to the Visitors Center open later. The office can be closed and locked, but people will still be able to look at and pick up literature and use the restrooms. The Association of Commerce has insured the property, i.e. quilts, etc. Liability was discussed. The Police can lock the doors at the closing time. T. Clark made a motion to extend the Visitor Information Center hours from 8am to 6pm from May 1 to September 30. I. Dicks seconded. Trustees Clark, Good, Duzan, and Dicks voted YEA. Trustee M. McWilliams voted NAY.

R. Kingery stated there have been complaints about traffic coming from the north at Progress and Spruce Streets not having a stop sign. D. Duzan made a motion to place a stop sign at Progress and Spruce Streets requiring southbound traffic to stop. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

D. Duzan made a motion to approve Pay Request #3 to Burdick Plumbing and Heating for the Arthur / Atwood Road Water Main Relocation Project for \$24,889.12. M. McWilliams seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

M. McWilliams reviewed the benefits to a new line locator for the Water Department. It has been included in the budget. M. McWilliams made a motion to purchase a new line locator for the Water Department for \$3,600. D. Duzan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

President Kingery tabled action the air conditioning at the Water Plant.

S. Perrine reviewed information regarding the IMRF employer rate for the Village. The rate for ~~this~~ <sup>next</sup> year will be 8.9%; the rates are based on activity from two years prior. The Village can decide to pay a higher rate, but it cannot go below 8.9%. D. Duzan made a motion to accept the 8.9% rate effective January 1, 2010. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **Approve Expenditures**

M. McWilliams reviewed the APT invoice; he didn't have further questions. T. Clark made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$38,901.78. K. Good seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **Adjourn**

M. McWilliams made a motion to adjourn; K. Good seconded. President Kingery adjourned the meeting at 8:05pm.

APPROVED *Ronald L. Kingery*  
Village President

ATTEST *Jennifer M. Perrine*  
Village Clerk

DATE *July 20, 2009*