

August 7, 2017

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, August 7, 2017, in the Village Board Room. Village President Rod Randall called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees J.D. Kuhns, Tyrel Ledbetter, Jenni Marner, and Paul Pearce. Trustees Matt Bernius and Dave Tiffan were absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Randall asked Grant Corum to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

Visitors present were Mike Buzicky, Terry Ferchow, Richard E. Hein, and Andy Hanfland.

Consent Agenda

P. Pearce made a motion to approve the consent agenda items, including the Work Session Meeting minutes of July 17, 2017, the Regular Board of Trustee Meeting minutes of July 17, 2017, and the Work Session Meeting minutes of July 3, 2017. J.D. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Approval of Expenditures

P. Pearce made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$65,759.04. J.D. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Village President Comments and Announcements

President Randall thanked Christy Miller for her role in the Our Town Arthur event. It was very successful. President Randall provided thank you notes for Trustees to use to recognize those who help make community events successful. Recognition was also given to the Public Works Department for their part in getting ready for Our Town Arthur and their work around the Community Building, Welcome Center, and Gazebo. Comments have been received from Arthur residents appreciating how nice the community is looking.

Trustees' Reports

No reports given.

Chief of Police Report

Chief Goodman provided a monthly report. The new police vehicle was taken to Central Service Center for lights and equipment.

Public Works Supervisor's Report

Grant Corum provided an activity log documenting work done, including Our Town preparations and clean up and removal of crosswalk posts, arms, and north base.

Village Attorney's Report

Kenny Crossman reported that he is coordinating with Chief Goodman to continue work on the three outstanding ordinance violations.

Community Development Coordinator's Report

Bob Doan provided a report to the board highlighting the work of the AAEDC. The report included the CEO program, Douglas County Enterprise Zone, sales of facilities between Cargill and ADM, Ole Heidelberg, Horse Progress Show, and new businesses in the Arthur area. Bob Doan added his congratulations to Christy Milly and the village staff for a successful "Our Town Arthur" event.

Unfinished Business

- P. Pearce reported that he made attempts to contact the Arthur General Store regarding their TIF application. P. Pearce made a motion to not approve the request to issue \$10,000.00 in TIF funds to the Arthur General Store. T. Ledbetter seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

- Mike Buzicky from MSA Professional Services spoke to the board and presented more information regarding the Plaza and Community Sign Design for downtown Arthur on South Vine Street next to the railroad. MSA provided a schedule, scope, and timeline to outline how the planning process works. J. Marner spoke about discussions she had with several constituents, with one idea being to make the area similar to the landscaping work around Vine Street Christian Church. J.D. Kuhns brought up a concern about the size of land and proximity to the railroad. P. Pearce made a motion to accept MSA's proposal to design the Plaza and Community Sign Design for \$5,200.00 paid from the General Fund. J.D. Kuhns seconded. Discussion took place about improving this space and exploring the options MSA would provide. President Randall noted how long this lot has been vacant, the current condition of it, and the need for a change or it will continue as is. Discussion took place on using TIF funds versus the General Fund. Trustees P. Pearce, J.D. Kuhns, and T. Ledbetter voted YEA. Trustee J. Marner voted NAY. Approved by roll call vote.

New Business

- Terry Ferchow thanked the Village Board for allowing the American Legion to make such a nice wall in the Community Building to honor Veterans. The Civil War Veterans will be placed in a special book, leaving room for 24 new Veterans to be added to the wall. Therefore, the additional display case requested will not be needed. Richard Hein shared some facts and statistics with the board. He thanked Bill Crane for his work in researching the 1,086 Veterans from Arthur, who are documented on their website. The Legion is also working on making records with the cemetery board documenting every Veteran's grave. T. Ledbetter made a motion to table the request to install an additional display case. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- Chief Goodman reported the 2009 Chevrolet Impala is being replaced with another vehicle. T. Ledbetter made a motion to declare the 2009 Chevrolet Impala (VIN: 2G1WS57M191305981) used by the Police Department as surplus personal property and authorized the President and/or Chief of Police to dispose of the surplus property by Ordinance 08-07A-17. J.D. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- Andy Hanfland from Farnsworth Group presented an engineering agreement for professional services for approximately 40,000 feet of sewer lining and all city manholes to be financed through IEPA. Mr. Hanfland explained three parts to the agreement: the study report and loan phase, the design phase, and the bidding phase. The agreement does not contain construction services, which could cost approximately \$100,000-\$200,000, which is loan eligible with interest at approximately 1.76%. J.D. Kuhns made a motion to accept the agreement with Farnsworth Group, Inc. to provide professional services for the Arthur Sewer and Manhole Rehabilitation Project in the amount of \$83,000. T. Ledbetter seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- Mike Sullivan checked and approved the Partial Pay Request #1 and provided information for the board. P. Pearce made a motion to approve Pay Request #1 to Feutz Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$333,435.75 for improvements to Meadowview Subdivision. J.D. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- Chief Goodman reported that he anticipates vacancies in the Police Department. P. Pearce made a motion to approve advertising to hire Police Department personnel. T. Ledbetter seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- J.D. Kuhns made a motion to remove the crosswalk sign concrete base on South Vine Street in front of Arthur Elementary School. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

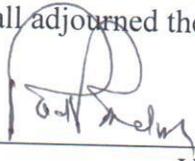
General Discussion

- P. Pearce asked for a Google Accounts update.
- President Randall received a request from Sports Boosters for advertising.
- Erica Carter reported a \$1,215.00 Christmas Lighting credit.
- Azavar sent the Village information for free recovery of lost funds.
- President Randall showed an example of the Board Room tables being made with modesty panels.
- Bob Doan noted that meetings in the Community Building could benefit by having a screen for presentations.

Adjourn

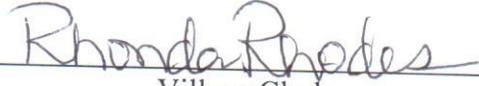
J.D. Kunhs made a motion to adjourn. T. Ledbetter seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
President Randall adjourned the meeting at 8:16pm.

APPROVED



Village President

ATTEST



Village Clerk

DATE

8/21/17