

August 21, 2017

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, August 21, 2017, in the Village Board Room. Village President Rod Randall called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Matt Bernius, J.D. Kuhns, Tyrel Ledbetter, Jenni Marner, and Dave Tiffan. Trustee Paul Pearce was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Randall asked J.D. Kuhns to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

Visitors present were Stephanie Wierman and Lori Barringer.

Approval of Minutes

J.D. Kuhns made a motion to approve the Regular Board of Trustee Meeting minutes of August 7, 2017. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Approval of Expenditures

J. D. Kuhns made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$22,822.35. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Village President Comments and Announcements

- President Randall reported that Chapin Rose will be at Jo's Country Diner at 10:00am on August 22.
- The village website will be updated soon.
- There is still a question concerning the email addresses for G Suite. President Randall is looking into how an address and account will be archived and changed when there is a change in the members of the board.

Trustees' Reports

T. Ledbetter- Reported a citizen's concern about the appearance of the property north of the railroad tracks.

J. Marner- Reported that several citizens were concerned about a solicitor going door-to-door recently. The solicitor had the proper permit. Discussion took place on receiving complaints from the public and the possibility of denying permits due to complaints.

D. Tiffan- A Police Committee meeting will be scheduled soon.

Comptroller's Report

- Erica Carter provided the June and July treasurer's reports.
- A letter from Reg Ankrom with SIMEC was passed out to board members, referencing the letter Arthur residents received regarding electrical aggregation. President Randall also spoke with Reg Ankrom and provided a letter explaining who would benefit from staying with the Village's program and who would benefit from switching to Ameren.
- E. Carter reported for Police Chief Mike Goodman that Elliott Tinnon submitted a letter of resignation.
- M. Bernius commented that the Joint Review Board on TIF needs to be held soon.

Chief of Police Report

Mike Goodman gave a verbal report to President Randall prior to the board meeting.

Village clean-up issues are being worked on and letters sent out to residents who are in violation. Also, Chief Goodman has reviewed the street closings to be discussed in New Business and everything is workable for the Police Department.

Public Works Supervisor's Report

Grant Corum provided a Public Works activity log and highlighted several of the jobs completed. M. Bernius requested a Work Session meeting to put together a request for proposal for the property at 219 N. Walnut. President Randall also noted that his water filter seems cleaner and water quality better, creating public works for their thorough job.

Village Attorney's Report

- Kenny Crossman introduced Lori Barringer, the Moultrie County Supervisor of Assessments. Moultrie County has taken new aerials, paid for by the county's GIS funds. These aerials are on their website. Moultrie County decided on an Intergovernmental Agreement which states that no funds are needed from villages, and if a request is made for maps, it can be granted without going to a village board for permission. The information is also available to the Village of Arthur at no charge. This agreement will be reviewed before the next meeting.
- K. Crossman suggested a Street & Alley Committee meeting to discuss the old Railroad Property north of East Progress Street.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

- Stephanie Wierman reported that the 45th annual Cheese Festival is being held September 2nd -4th. Recommended street closings include Vine Street from the second entrance of the Welcome Center to Park Street. Walnut Street closed from Progress Street to the north side of the IGA driveway. Hickory Street closed from Progress Street to Park Street. Illinois Street closed from Ash Street west to the Sarah Bush Alley. Progress Street closed from east side of Hickory Street intersection and west to the alley behind Tastee Cup on Saturday until noon, then from Saturday noon until Monday at 5:00pm to the west side of Walnut Street intersection. Closings will start at 6:00pm on Friday, September 2nd, reopening at 5:00pm on Monday, September 4th. The gazebo parking lot will also be used for the Cheese Festival. The parade route will begin at Progress Industries, move west on Progress to Vine, south on Vine to Logan, east on Logan to Pine, and North on Pine back to Progress. M. Bernius made a motion to approve this request. J.D. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- Stephanie Wierman reported that the BBQ Festival street closings are the same as Cheese Festival, except on Vine Street where IGA will be open. J.D. Kuhns made a motion to approve this request. T. Ledbetter seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- G. Corum provided the board with an informational handout including aerial photos to request the expansion of the current landscape waste dump site on South Spruce Street to make it 50' x 30'. This project would be funded by the remaining money budgeted for the Walnut Street property demolition. M. Bernius made a motion to approve the bid from Herschberger Concrete in the amount of \$3,840.00 and the expense of the concrete in the amount of \$2,875.00 for the project Landscape Waste Dump Site for the Village of Arthur. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- G. Corum provided a memorandum and aerial photo for replacing the northbound lane of the 100 block of Rhine Blvd. T. Ledbetter made a motion to approve the bid from Herschberger Concrete in the amount of \$7,502.50. M. Bernius seconded. Trustees M. Bernius, J.D. Kuhns, T. Ledbetter, and J. Marner voted YEA. Trustee D. Tiffan abstained. Motion passed by roll call vote.
- E. Carter reported that she had worked with J. Marner to select Christmas decorations to purchase. Pictures were provided for the board. J. Marner made a motion to purchase Christmas decorations at a cost of \$3,414.81. J.D. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- M. Bernius reported the annual IML conference provides a lot of good information and networking. Discussion was held on the expense of the registration and hotel. M. Bernius is scheduled to speak this year regarding tourism. J.D. Kuhns made a motion to send M. Bernius to the IML conference in Chicago on September 20-21, covering registration, hotel, and expenses up to \$1,000.00. J. Marner seconded. Trustees J.D. Kuhns, T. Ledbetter, J. Marner, and D. Tiffan voted YEA. Trustee M. Bernius abstained. Motion passed by roll call vote.
- E. Carter provided information regarding two new office chairs. M. Bernius made a motion to approve the purchase in the amount of \$199.00 each. T. Ledbetter seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- M. Bernius made a motion to allow E. Carter to advertise for bids for the Village's Risk Management Insurance for FY 2018. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

- T. Ledbetter made a motion to give E. Carter permission to get bids for the Village's Health Insurance for FY 2018. J.D. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

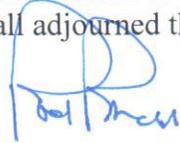
General Discussion

- President Randall asked the Lion's Club to hold an electronics clean-up day. They will be getting two trailers to use and will ask for donations from those bringing in electronics to dispose of. President Randall asked the board to think about a location for this event and how to get an additional trailer. E. Carter mentioned the need to have a hazardous waste day as well. This will be looked into.
- T. Ledbetter raised a concern about the village employees' cost of their health care and requested ways to get good coverage at a lower cost.

Adjourn

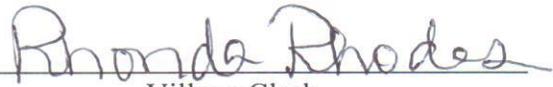
M. Bernius made a motion to adjourn. J.D. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Randall adjourned the meeting at 8:14pm.

APPROVED



Village President

ATTEST



Village Clerk

DATE

9-5-17