

January 21, 2019

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, January 21, 2019, 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, Mike Hilgenberg, Justin Ray, Jenni Marner, Dave Tiffan and Paul Pearce.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Randall asked Matt Bernius to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

- Visitors present were Christy Miller, Dale Bissonett, and June Bissonett.

Approval of Minutes

- J. Marner made a motion to approve the Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes of January 7, 2019. M. Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Approval of Expenditures

- P. Pearce made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$18,729.10. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Village President Comments and Announcements

- President Randall reported that Bernardi Construction inspected a closet and attic in the Village Office. An odor was detected. Also, Bernardi's will be providing an estimate for more insulation. Erica Carter will contact Ameren to see about energy efficient strategies.

Trustees' Reports

- P. Pearce reported that a request for information has been sent out to local community banks to ascertain rates of return.

Chief of Police Report

- Police Chief Goodman provided monthly reports from the Police Department. Chief Goodman also requested a Police Committee meeting before the next Board meeting.

Public Works Supervisor's Report

- Grant Corum was absent from the meeting, but provided monthly reports from the Public Works department. Grant also included a description of damage resulting from the January 17, 2019 power outage. The high service pump control panel was not working correctly, and several service calls were made. The SCADApack was replaced, which fixed the problem. Grant will file an insurance claim and call Ameren to see if any cost can be reimbursed. Grant estimates the cost to be around \$5,000 for service calls and equipment.

Village Comptroller's Report

- Village Comptroller Erica Carter provided a treasurer's report. Erica highlighted an Ameren payment received for \$18,381.98 for their energy efficiency program. State Representative Halbrook will be at the Community Building from 4:00-5:30pm on Wednesday, January 23 for traveling office hours.

Village Attorney's Report

- Village Attorney Kenny Crossman noted the Maintenance Code Fee Ordinance will be ready by next meeting.

Tourism Director's Report

- Christy Miller provided a handout of Welcome Center information from 2018. People coming through the Visitor Center totaled 234,212 not including buses. The new carpet at the Welcome Center is installed and looks great. Upcoming shows include the Outdoor and RV show and the Governor's Conference.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

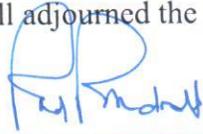
- Dale Bissonett provided dates and information regarding the 2019 Downtown Saturday Market. Discussion took place on barricades and signage for the events. Officer Goodman will look into signs. P. Pearce made a motion to allow the Downtown Saturday Market to utilize parking spaces at the Tourist Center for seven months starting in April and ending October 5, 2019. J. Ray seconded. P. Pearce amended the motion to include the times 6:00am to 4:00pm. J. Ray seconded the amendment. All Trustees voted YEA.
- Erica Carter provided handouts, information, and benefits of attending a grant writing course at Lakeland College. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to allow Deputy Clerk Erica Carter to attend a two-day grant writing course at Lakeland College on February 27-28 at a cost of \$425.00. M. Bernius seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- D. Tiffan made a motion to allow three Public Works employees to attend the Illinois Rural Water Conference on February 19-21 in Effingham, IL for the total fee cost of \$525.00. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- M. Hilgenberg made a motion to set the Town-Wide Cleanup Day for May 25, 2019. P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- M. Bernius made a motion to approve the placement of a Memorial Street Sign in memory of Bob Doan at the NE corner of South Vine and Progress Streets. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- J. Ray provided handouts at the previous Board meeting regarding the accrual process for calculating Village employee vacation time. Discussion took place on the accumulation of vacation time. P. Pearce made a motion to approve vacation pay as presented by the Human Resource committee, which would go to an hourly allocation, effective January 1, 2019 (Resolution #2019-1). J. Ray seconded. After more discussion, J. Ray amended the original motion to change the wording in the last paragraph to allow maximum hours to continuously carry be double that of the annual earned vacation time. P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- M. Hilgenberg made a motion to move into executive session. Discussion and action on the performance of Village police personnel. Executive Session (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).) The appointment, employment compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body. J. Ray seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Randall re-opened the meeting. Roll call was answered by Trustees Matt Bernius, Mike Hilgenberg, Justin Ray, Jenni Marner, Dave Tiffan and Paul Pearce.
- President Randall provided the Board with quotes for time clocks from APTechnologies. He also provided a memorandum about a meeting that took place between Chief Goodman, Grant Corum, President Randall, and Tony Cook of the IBEW Union regarding the use of time clocks. Discussion took place on how time is documented in the different departments. P. Pearce made a motion to postpone action on the use of time clocks until the February 4, 2019 meeting. J. Ray seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- Police Chief Goodman provided the Board with a handout detailing the current problem of not enough Police Officers. Ten proposed changes were listed. Discussion took place on these hiring recommendations, including an increase in pay for Part-Time Officers. P. Pearce noted that the Human Resource Committee needs to meet to work out the suggested pay changes. P. Pearce made a motion to increase the total of Part-Time Officers to three and to hire one Full-Time Officer as soon as possible (changes 1 and 7 in the document provided). The motion died for lack of a second. M. Bernius suggested a Work Session meeting to go over each change. M. Bernius made a motion to postpone action until the Work Session meeting scheduled for Monday, January 28, 2019. M. Hilgenberg seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

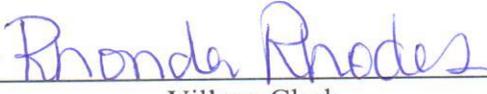
General Discussion

- Police Chief Goodman read letter of resignation from Sergeant Kevin Mante effective June 19, 2019.

Adjourn

J. Ray made a motion to adjourn. P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
President Randall adjourned the meeting at 9:37pm.

APPROVED 
Village President

ATTEST 
Village Clerk

DATE 2/4/19